



Sprint 15

National Championship

9th to 11th July 2022

Notice of Race



The Organising Authority is the Restronguet Sailing Club (RSC) & Windsport International in conjunction with the UK Sprint 15 Class Association

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. The Organising Authority implements the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter. Competitors shall undertake to sail in accordance with the Charter.
- 1.3. The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4. The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.5. The RYA Exoneration Penalty and Arbitration will be available.
- 1.6. RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. [DP]
- 1.7. RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available on the online official notice board at least three days prior to the event. Paper copies will not be available at the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located by the Windsport Office.
- 3.2.0 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP].

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.2.1 The event is open to all boats of the Sprint 15 Class.
- 4.2.2 Entries may be sailed either as single handed in unrig mode or alternatively two-up with the mainsail and jib. The use of the trapeze and fittings will not be permitted in the championship races. Boats must sail every race of the event in the mode used in the first race (either unrig or two-up with mainsail and jib). Boats may not change modes during the Championships.
- 4.2.3 Each boat must have at least one competitor that is a member of the UK Sprint 15 Class Association. Evidence of this may be required in advance or at the event.
- 4.2.4 Eligible boats may enter online at <https://forms.gle/kSFw3vfWdNbvoBbN8>
- 4.2.5 Entries close at midnight on Wednesday 6th July 2022. Entries after this date are at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.2.6 To be considered an entry for the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.2.7 An RYA Parent/Guardian Consent and Supervision Form must be completed by the Parent or Guardian of any competitor under the age of 18 on the first day of the event. The form will be issued by the Event Secretary and must be returned to jenny@sprint15.com by midnight on Wednesday 6th July 2022.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is £135 per boat if received by midnight Friday 24th June.
- 5.2. The entry fee is £155 per boat if received from Saturday 25th June to midnight Wednesday 6th July
- 5.3. Youth entries (age 18 or under at the Nationals) receive a discount of £35
- 5.4. Class Association Members competing in their first Nationals receive a discount of £20.
- 5.5. Non-Class Association Members competing in their first Nationals receive free Association Membership worth £20 (free membership expires 31st December 2022).
- 5.6. The fee includes all racing plus a Saturday Evening Meal and the Class Association Dinner on Sunday. Additional meal tickets may be purchased with your entry.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. See World Sailing Advertising Code.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. The schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	Item	First Warning Signal
Saturday 9 th July	08:00 – 09:30	Online Registration	
	10:00	Competitors Briefing at RSC	
	12:00	Three races scheduled	11:55
Sunday 10 th July	11:00	Four races scheduled	10:55
Monday 11 th July	11:00	Two races scheduled	10:55

- 7.2. The shore based programme is detailed after the end of this Notice of Race.
- 7.3. The Championship will consist of up to nine races. The intention is that racing will take place as scheduled above. However, additional races may be sailed either in advance or arrears in order to complete the programme if weather or other reasons dictate. This may include bringing scheduled races forward, except the first race on the first scheduled day of racing.
- 7.4. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1. No formal measurement process is required for this event; however, the race committee reserves the right to inspect any competing boat during the course of the event.
- 8.2. Boats may be inspected at any time.
- 8.3. Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 when presented for inspection. [DP].

9. VENUE

- 9.1. The venue is Restronguet Sailing Club and Windsport at Mylor Churchtown, Falmouth TR11 5UF
- 9.2. The racing area will be in Carrick Roads.

10. COURSES

- 10.1. The courses to be sailed will be a trapezoid with a start, finish and lap line on the windward leg.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced with by the One-Turn Penalty.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2. A boat's series score will be calculated as follows:
 - 12.2.1. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 12.2.2. When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12.2.3. When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12.3. RRS A5.3 will apply (scoring of non-starters, non-finishers etc.).

13. SUPPORT PERSONS VESSELS [DP]

- 13.1. RRS 37 will be used. Except when responding to the signal in RRS 37, support boats, coaches and other support persons shall stay at least 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start on that course until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 13.2. During the event, support boats shall not tow boats participating in the event unless the race committee have signalled that towing is allowed.
- 13.3. Kill cords shall be worn at all times whilst engines are running. The Course Safety Leader will be looking out for compliance on this issue, there are no excuses and boats will be requested to leave the race area immediately if kill cords are not being used appropriately.

14. BERTHING

- 14.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces whilst in the boat park. [DP].

15. DATA PROTECTION

- 15.1. The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the Organising Authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

16. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS

- 16.1. Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

17. COVID STATEMENT [DP] [NP]

- 17.1. By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Organising Authorities' COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

18. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

19. INSPECTIONS

19.1. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

20. INSURANCE

20.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

21. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the first 12 places. There are additional prizes for the following:

- The first boat sailed double-handed
- The first lady helm
- The first helm aged 18 or under on the first day of the event
- The first helm over 50 years old on the first day of the event
- The first helm over 60 years old on the first day of the event
- The first helm over 70 years old on the first day of the event
- The first heavyweight competitor (over 95kg / 14st 13lb)
- The most improved helm since 2021 Nationals
- Most persistent helm – for the lowest placed competitor who completes all sailed races.
- There is also a pro-am competition with prize for first place Amateur.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Jenny Ball, Events Secretary at jenny@sprint15.com

Information about RSC, Windsport, accommodation and the local area may be found at:

- www.restronguetsc.org
- www.coastland.life
- www.windsport.co.uk
- www.visitcornwall.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Shore Based Programme:

Date	Time	Event
Friday 8 th July	19:00	Bar and BBQ at Windsport
Saturday 9 th July	Not before 17:30	Class Association AGM at RSC
	19:00	Evening Meal at Mylor Cafe
Sunday 10 th July	19:00	Class Association Dinner at Castaways
Monday 11 th July	ASAP after racing	Prizegiving sponsored by Visit Cornwall