

RYA Olympic Classes Spring Series 2013 Notice of Race

This Notice of Race refers to the following events and replaces any past notices:
WPNSA 9th & 10th March and WPNSA 13th & 14th April and HISC 18th & 19th May
2013

- 1. Organising Authority**
The Organising Authority shall be the RYA and the host sailing club.
- 2. Rules**
The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 3. Classes**
Racing at one or both events will be in the following classes: Sonar, SKUD, 470, Finn, 2.4mR, 49er, 49er FX and NP RS:X 9.5 men and 8.5 open. Information regarding which classes will be competing can be found in the RYA Olympic Classes Fixture Booklet, which is updated on the Skandia Team GBR website. <http://www.rya.org.uk/programmes/skandiateamgbr/crewroom/Pages/default.aspx>
- 4. Advertising**
In accordance with ISAF rule 20.3 (d) (i) and (ii) in Appendix 1, boats and boards shall display, at all times, a sticker with the event sponsor advertising when provided at registration.
- 5. Eligibility & Entries**
Entries for the Spring Series should be made online via www.ryaracingevents.org.uk no later than Monday before the events. Late entries will incur a 50% entry fee penalty. Three class entries are required for racing to take place for that class.
Only competitors eligible to sail for GBR may enter unless non GBR competitors are granted permission to race by the RYA.
All sailors under 18 years of age must produce a completed parent/guardian consent form available on the RYA Events website. Without a completed form, sailors under the age of 18 will not be allowed to register.
- 6. Registration**
Registration will take place at the race office no later than 0900 on Saturday.
- 7. Races**
The first race on the first scheduled day of racing is scheduled to start at 1200.
- 8. Scoring**
The RYA Olympic Classes Spring Series Winner will be scored on the total points of the overall finishing position at both events added together. Where men and women classes start together ie. 470, 49er and RS:X classes, individual race results will be calculated using the finishing positions of the combined fleet to decide men and women's results.
- 9. Certificates**
All competing boats should hold a valid measurement certificate, which may be required to be shown at registration.
- 10. Sailing Instructions**
Sailing Instructions and Local Instructions will be available at registration.
- 11. Safety**
 - 10.1 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.
 - 10.2 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
 - 10.3 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters.
 - 10.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
 - 10.5 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000.
- 12. Obligations**
All sailors on the Skandia Team GBR Development Programmes are required to attend all RYA Spring Series Events where their class is included.