

Notice of Race: Team15 Inter-Club

Zone

Event

Date

Venue

Postcode

Organizing Authority

The Organizing Authority is the Royal Yachting Association (RYA).

1.0 Rules

- i. Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The following documents govern the event:
 - a. The Team15 (T15) Notice of Race b. T15 Inter-Club Sailing instructions
- ii. Competitors should note that RYA events will be run in compliance with the principles of the RYA Racing Charter as applicable to both organisers and competitors, details of which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016), or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter.

2.0 Advertising

- i. Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing Authority.

3.0 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 RYA Membership

- i. All competitors shall be an RYA member, either personal or family.
- ii. All competitors shall show their RYA membership card at registration.

3.2 Age

- i. Competitors shall be 16 or under on the 31st December 2014 in order to compete in all T15 inter-club events and the T15 Champions Cup.

3.3 Teams and Independent Entries

- i. Competitors may enter the T15 inter-club racing by being a member of the T15 Club they are representing; maximum team size is 15.
- ii. Where a T15 club has more than 15 sailors wishing to enter, individuals may enter as an independent entry to gain competition experience and compete for individual class trophies. They cannot represent the club team or be part of another team; their ranking will not count towards any team score.
- iii. Individuals who do not have a local T15 club may enter the competition as an independent entry to gain competition experience and compete for individual class trophies. A place cannot be taken in another club's team or count towards the team score.

3.4 Squad Sailors

- i. Zone Squad windsurfing sailors can compete for their team but shall identify themselves afloat with a red streamer (available at registration). Zone Squad Windsurfing sailors shall use a Techno board but can compete in any sail size class, appropriate to their ability.
- ii. Existing RYA National Junior Windsurfing (NJWS) Squad sailors shall not compete.
- iii. Ex RYA NJWS sailors may compete for the T15 Club they are a member of; no red streamer will be required for identification.
- iv. At the end of the season, newly selected NJWS sailors may participate for the remainder of the year in which they are selected, either as an individual entry or a team member (including the Champions Cup, should the team qualify).

3.5 Entry

- i. Entries should be made on the day, on the forms provided.

3.6 Fees

- i. The maximum charged will be £10 per entrant per event.

3.7 Classes

- i. Racing will take place in the following classes: 3.5m, 4.5m, 5.8m, Techno 6.8m.
- ii. Each class refers to the maximum sail size which will be used. Smaller sails may be used, especially in windy conditions.
- iii. All boards shall have a dagger board/central fin.
- iv. Any board and any rig may be used in the 3.5m, 4.5m and 5.8m classes, although sailors are encouraged to use a Bic Techno.
- v. Board length should measure 320cm or less in the smaller sail size classes.
- vi. In the 3.5m class, small diameter masts and booms are recommended to be used with junior sails.
- vii. Only the Bic Techno One Design board shall be used in the Techno 6.8m class; any rig may be used in this class providing it is no bigger than 6.8m.

4.0 Schedule

4.1 Registration

- i. All sailors shall attend registration upon arrival and complete a registration form.
- ii. In order to compete all competitors shall return at registration a signed parent/guardian declaration form and a completed medical form.
- iii. An RYA membership card should be shown at registration.
- iv. An entry fee shall be paid at registration

4.2 Racing Program

- i. The detailed Programme will be published in the Sailing Instructions. The warning signal for the first race will not be before 11:00.

4.3 Briefing

- i. The first briefing will be at 10:30 hrs on the day of competition.

4.4 Racing

- i. The first scheduled start will be 11:00 hrs.
- ii. No racing will start after 16:00 hrs.

5.0 Sailing Instructions

- i. The sailing instructions will be available for all competitors at registration at the venue on the day

6.0 Courses

- i. The courses will be appropriate to the ability level of competitors and weather conditions on the day and will be explained fully on the day.

7.0 Protests & Penalty System

- i. The Exoneration Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

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8.0 Scoring

- i. The scoring system (including number of races to count for the event) will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

9.0 Trophies

- i. Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class.
- ii. A Techno Award certificate will be presented to the first Techno sailor outside of the top three in the 3.5m, 4.5m and 5.8m classes.
- iii. A trophy will be awarded to the winning team.

10.0 Rights to Use Names & Likenesses

- i. Competitors automatically grant to the organizing 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.

11.0 Safety Regulations

The Sailing instructions will specify that all competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment, Wet suits dry suits and Windsurf Harnesses are not considered personal flotation devices. This will change Rule 40.

12.0 Liability

Risk Statement

- 12.1 RRS Rule 4 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."
- 12.2 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:
- 12.3 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;
- 12.4 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 12.5 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- 12.6 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 12.7 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;
- 12.8 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

13.0 Insurance

All competitors shall hold valid third party insurance to the sum of at least £2,000,000 (third party windsurfing insurance is a free benefit of RYA membership when windsurfing is specified as an interest).

14.0 Members and Liability

- i. All visiting competitors will be deemed temporary members of the host interclub event during the event and as such shall abide by all the Club's rules and bye-laws.
- ii. Members of the Club, their guests and visitors may use the Club premises and other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and implicitly accept that: the Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club; the Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of use of the Club premises or any other facilities of the Club, or out of participating in any race organised by the Club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors or caused by the said members, guests or visitors, whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed to, or was occasioned by the neglect, default or negligence of any of the officers, committees or servants of the Club.
- iii. Before inviting any guests or visitors onto the premises or to participate in events organised by the Club, members will draw attention to this rule.

15.0 Local Rules

- i. Local rules and by-laws will be detailed on the official Notice board at the venue.

16.0 Further Information

- i. All material relating to inter-club events are available as part of the online registration process; a link to the online registration site can be found here: www.team15.org.uk/zoneevents
- ii. Further information can be found via the following web site

<http://www.rya.org.uk/PROGRAMMES/TEAM15/EVENTS/Pages/default.aspx>



www.team15.org.uk



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