

1 INTRODUCTION

This notice of race applies to the selection trials for both the Open Team Racing World Championship and the Youth Team Racing World Championship.

The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflies supplied by the organising authority. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.

The RYA has appointed Selectors whose decisions will determine the teams to represent GBR in the Team Racing World Championships in July 2015.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) in conjunction with Rutland Sailing Club.

3 RULES

- 3.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules. In addition the RYA document titled "ISAF Team Racing World Championship 2015 Notice of the GBR Team Selection Process" (Notice of Selections) as amended shall apply; these documents are available on the RYA website.
- 3.2 All races will be umpired. The ISAF Call Book for Team Racing will apply together with the 2014 and 2015 supplements to the Call Book.
- 3.3 The UK Team Racing Association (UKTRA) Standard Team Racing Sailing Instructions will apply. These change some rules in the RRS; they are available on the UKTRA web site (www.teamracing.org) and at registration.
- 3.4 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

- 4.1 Entry to the first weekend (10 and 11 January) is by invitation only in accordance with the Notice of Selections.
- 4.2 Entry to the second weekend (17 and 18 January) will be at the discretion of the Selectors and in accordance with the Notice of Selections.
- 4.3 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is in accordance with the Notice of Selections.
- 4.4 The entry fee is defined in the Notice of Selections.
- 4.5 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to

a maximum of £250 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail. When a team is assessed as liable for damage, it shall restore the deposit to the original value in order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The format of the event will be described in SIs and will be available at registration>
- 5.2 Registration will take place at Rutland Sailing Club on Saturday 10 January 2015 at 0830.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at 0930 on Saturday 10 January 2015.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will be at 0957 on Saturday 10 January 2015.

6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

Adequate personal flotation devices and wet or dry suits shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.

7 RISK STATEMENT, INSURANCE

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."

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 other 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.