

RYA eSailing

Winter Club Championship

2020/21

The Organising Authority is the Royal Yachting Association

Combined Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing* dated 22nd January 2019

1.2 Rule infringements will be decided by the VR system and its decisions are final and are not appealable.

2. ENTRY

2.1 Entry is open to all RYA Affiliated Clubs. Entry is free.

2.2 Clubs must register for the championships by 4th January 2021.

www.rya.org.uk/Pages/virtual-regatta.aspx

2.3 Club Champions must be submitted to the RYA via the online entry form by 1st February 2021. www.rya.org.uk/Pages/virtual-regatta.aspx

2.3 All regional & national finalists must be a member of the RYA Affiliated Club they represent.

3. FORMAT OF RACING

3.1 The Championship will consist of a Club Championships with the Club Champions moving to the Regional Championships with the Regional Champions progressing to the RYA eSailing UK Winter Club Championship 2020/21.

3.2 Clubs will run their own Club Championships (this can be a series or one-off event).

3.3 Maximum number of competitors per race will be 20.

3.4 Each race must have a Race Organiser who will be one of the competitors.

3.4 Where entries exceed 20 the entries will be split and randomly assigned to groups for a qualifying round. The top 20 competitors will proceed through to the Club Final.

3.5 The Club Organiser will be responsible for collecting results and producing the overall Club results and submitting the details of the Club Champion to the RYA using the online form and within the Schedule in para 4.1. www.rya.org.uk/Pages/virtual-regatta.aspx

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 The Club Championship to be completed by 1st February 2021

4.2 The Regional Championships Finals to be held and completed by 21st February 2021

4.3 The National Final for the 'Winter Club Championship' will be sailed on Sunday 28th February 2021

4.4 Times of the first start and the access code shall be advised by the Race Organiser the day prior to the first start.

4.5 Guidance notes are available on the RYA eSailing website for Club Organisers

5. EQUIPMENT

5.1 The equipment to be sailed in the regional & national finals will be:

Race 1: 49er

Race 2: Laser

Race 3: Nacra 17

Race 4: Star

Race 5: Formula 18

Race 6: J70

5.2 The club champion may choose to play in the regional & national final using either the club's VIP account or their own personal account.

6. COURSE

The course will be either "Upwind Medium or Long" – a windward / leeward course with an offset mark and a downwind finish. TWO laps. The race target time will be 6 minutes. See diagram below.

7. SCORING

7.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

7.2 SIX races are required to be completed in each round.

7.3 ONE discard can be taken in the SIX races.

7.4 Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

7.5 For qualifying rounds RRS A4.2 is changed such that a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the largest group.

8. STARTING RACES

Races shall be started by using the following signals.

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
1:15	P and Virtual Regatta flag	One	Warning signal
1:00	P removed	One	Preparatory signal
0:00	Virtual Regatta flag removed	One	Starting signal

9. PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to the regional winners and the overall winner.

COURSE DIAGRAM

