

# 2018 RYA Scotland Champion of Champions’ NOTICE OF RACE

East Lothian Yacht Club  
13 – 14 October 2018

The organising authority is East Lothian Yacht Club in conjunction with RYA Scotland

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Competitors should note that RYA events comply with the principles of the RYA Racing Charter as applicable to both organisers and competitors, details of the RYA Racing Charter can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020), or at [www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter).

## 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 This regatta is open to boats that have been invited by RYA Scotland belonging to, or under the control of, members of clubs affiliated to the RYA.
- 2.2 Boats competing should be the current Scottish Champion or Scottish Series Champion in their class. In addition classes are encouraged to nominate a female representative as this the event will incorporate the Scottish Womens’ Championship (for which all crew should be female to be eligible in this category). The organising authority may accept as an alternative to Scottish or Series Champion the highest placed Scottish boat at a major national event.
- 2.3 Entries will only be accepted on the event on-line entry form ([www.sailracer.co.uk](http://www.sailracer.co.uk)), and shall be received, together with the entry fee, on or before 03rd October 2018. Entries will not be accepted after this date.
- 2.4 All helms and crews shall present a signed Entry/Parent/Guardian Declaration at registration. Competitors will receive this by email when they complete their on-line entry, and should present the form at registration. Medical forms are a safety requirement and should be completed for all competitors. Data Protection Act: no data from the medical forms will be retained after the event.
- 2.5 All boats shall have an individual recognised sail number.

## 3 FEES

Required Fees are as follows:

Boat Type	Fee
Single Handed	£30
Double Handed	£40

## 4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration:

Day	Date	Time	Location
Saturday	13 Oct 2018	09:30 to 10:30	ELYC Bar

#### 4.2 Competitors Briefing:

Day	Date	Time	Location
Saturday	13 Oct 2018	11:00	ELYC Bar/Club Steps

#### 4.3 Dates, Times and Number of Races:

Day	Date	Time of First Warning Signal Not Before	Maximum Number of Races
Saturday	13 Oct 2018	12:55	4
Sunday	14 Oct 2018	10:30	4

### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Sailing Instructions will be present on the official notice board and will be made available on the event website prior to the event. Note that these may be subject to change. Questions about the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions prior to the event may be emailed to [abbie.hewitt@ryascotland.org.uk](mailto:abbie.hewitt@ryascotland.org.uk) and questions together with answers may be posted on the event website.

### 6 VENUE & RACE AREA

- 6.1 The venue will be East Lothian Yacht Club, located on Victoria Road, North Berwick, EH39 4JL.  
6.2 The Race Area will be located in either the east or west bays, as shown in Appendix A.

### 7 THE COURSES

The courses will be windward/leeward, box, triangle and "W" shaped courses.

### 8 PROTESTS

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

### 9 SCORING

- 9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.2 Finishing positions shall be calculated on an 'average lap time' basis using Portsmouth Yardstick ratings.

### 10 SUPPORT BOATS

Except when requested by or agreed with the race committee, coaches and supporters shall not communicate with competitors' afloat, tow competitors to or from the race area, or enter the race area.

### 11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

### 12 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

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.

### **13 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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 and dry suits are not considered personal flotation devices. This changes RRS Rule 40.

### **14 PRIZES**

The prize giving will be held in East Lothian Yacht Club as soon as possible after racing ends on Sunday afternoon. Prizes will be awarded to:

1<sup>st</sup> Overall for RYAS Champion of Champions' Trophy

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall for RYAS Champion of Champions' Trophy

1<sup>st</sup> Single Handed (Scottish Single Handed Champion)

1<sup>st</sup> Female (Scottish Womens' Champion)

### **15 RISK STATEMENT**

15.1 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."

15.2 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:

- (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.

### **16 INSURANCE**

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

### **17 FURTHER INFORMATION**

17.1 The Official Notice Board will be located by the front door of East Lothian Yacht Club.

17.2 Further information is available from:

**RYA Scotland:**

W: [www.ryascotland.org.uk](http://www.ryascotland.org.uk)

E: [abbie.hewitt@ryascotland.org.uk](mailto:abbie.hewitt@ryascotland.org.uk)

T: 0131 317 7388

**East Lothian Yacht Club:**

W: [www.elyc.org.uk](http://www.elyc.org.uk)

E: [commodore@elyc.org.uk](mailto:commodore@elyc.org.uk)

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# Appendix A

Course areas shown below are approximate and are a guide only. Racing may take place outwith the highlighted regions.

