



Contender Class

UK Open National Championships 2019
6th – 9th September 2019 - Broadstairs Sailing Club



Notice of Race

1 Organising Authority:

- 1.1 The organising authority will be Broadstairs Sailing Club (BSC) in conjunction with the Contender Class Association.

2 Rules

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.
- 2.2 Broadstairs Sailing Club implements the RYA Racing Charter and competitors will be expected to sail in compliance with that. The Charter can be found at: www.rya.gov.uk/racing/racing-rules.
- 2.3 The notation [DP] in any rule of the NoR or SI means that the penalty for breach of such rule will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification.

3 Advertising and Identification

- 3.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

4 Eligibility – Entry

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats in the Contender class and Contender Class Association membership rules shall apply.
- 4.2 Boats may enter by completing the entry form, which can be found on the BSC website, and paying the required entry fee to Broadstairs Sailing Club, or at registration at the Club House on Friday 6th September.
- 4.3 Competitors below the age of 18yrs at the time of the event shall submit a Parent/Guardian consent form before racing.

5 Fees

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| 5.1 | Entry fee per boat | £125 |
| Discounted entry: | | |
| 5.2 | The first 30 standard entries before 30 th April | £90 |
| 5.3 | All New Comers, First Nationals | £65 |
| 5.4 | Competitors under 25 as at 10 th Sept 2019 | £0 |
| 5.5 | Newcomers or Under 25's do not qualify for any other reduction (only one discount per competitor). | |

6 Registration

- 6.1 Registration will take place from 09.00 on Friday 6th September in the BSC Clubhouse
- 6.2 There will be a briefing for all competitors at 11:30 on Friday 6th September on Broadstairs Pier below the Club Race Office.

7 Race Schedule

- 7.1 A total of 10 races will be scheduled. The Race Committee will issue a notice by 20.00 each day showing the schedule of races planned for the following day.
- 7.2 The warning signal for the first race on Friday 6th September 2019 will not be before 13:55, and on other days not before 10:55.
- 7.3 On the last day of racing there will no warning signal after 12:55.

8 Inspection

- 8.1 There will be no formal pre-event inspection, but boats may be inspected to ensure compliance with class rules.

9 Sailing Instructions

- 9.1 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in the RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the Club Website and the Official Notice Board (ONB) located in the entrance lobby to Broadstairs Sailing Club.

10 Venue

- 10.1 Sailing will be in an area between the North Foreland and Ramsgate Harbour. Launching and recovery will be from the sandy beach of Viking Bay accessed via a wooden slipway from the pier.

11 Courses

- 11.1 Courses will be decided on the day to suit the prevailing conditions, and will be a combination of windward, leeward and reaching legs. Course details will be displayed on the ONB.

12 Scoring

- 12.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
12.2 If fewer than 5 races are sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
12.3 When 5 or more races have been completed a boat may discard her worst score, after 9 or more races have been completed a boat may discard her two worst scores.

13 Boat Parking

- 13.1 Space will be available to store boats overnight in the BSC dinghy park. Boats with combi trailers must store the boat on the road base when in the boat park. If a competitor is bringing a double or triple stacking trailer, please notify the BSC Sailing Secretary prior to arrival.

14 Prizes

- 14.1 The overall winner of the event will be awarded the title of National Champion. Prizes will be awarded by the Contender Class Association.

15 Media Rights

- 15.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority, without payment, the right to make, use or show any pictures, still, motion or TV, however obtained, relating to this event.

16 Risk Statement

- 16.1 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"

Sailing is by nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

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| (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; | (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate; |
| (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore; | (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; |
| (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions; | (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; |
| | (g) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2,000,000 against third party claims; |

Further Information

Further details can be found on the Broadstairs Sailing Club website

www.broadstairssailingclub.com

or contact the BSC Sailing Secretary by e-mail - **sailing@broadstairssailingclub.com**