



**Chelmarsh Sailing Club**  
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## **Solo Open Meeting - Saturday 02 September 2023**

### **Notice of Race**

#### **1 Organising authority**

The Organising Authority is Chelmarsh Sailing Club, from herein known as CSC

#### **2 Rules**

The event is governed by the rules as defined in 'The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024', from herein known as RRS.

#### **3 Sailing Instructions**

- 3.1** Sailing Instructions will be published and available for download on CSC's website event page.
- 3.2** Changes to the Sailing Instructions prior to the event date of 02 September 2023 will not require a notification to competitors.
- 3.3** Sailing Instructions will be available at the registration area at CSC on 02 September 2023.

#### **4 Communications During The Event**

- 4.1** All communications during the event will be made orally. A notice board may be used as necessary. If a notice board is to be used, it will be highlighted to competitors at the registration area at CSC
- 4.2** No boat shall make voice or data transmission to any competitor boat that is not made to all competing boats from the first warning signal of first race, until the end of the last race of the day. The exception to this will be in times of emergency.

#### **5 Eligibility**

- 5.1** The event is open to all boats of the Solo Class holding a relevant National Solo Class Association measurement certificate and must comply with the National Solo Class Association UK rules.
- 5.2** Entrants may be requested to produce a valid measurement certificate at the registration area on the day of the event.
- 5.3** Boats may be inspected at any time during the event by National Solo Class Association representatives or Race Committee. Any equipment changes to be made to a boat during the course of the event, may also be subject to additional checks as detailed in item 5.3.
- 5.4** Although inspections may be made as detailed in item 5.3 above, there is no reduction to the responsibility of all competitors as set out in this Notification of Race and also in the Sailing Instructions of the event.
- 5.5** All Traveller Series competitors must be members of the National Solo Class Association.
- 5.6** CSC Solo helms who are not members of the National Solo Class Association may still enter the event but their results will not count towards the Traveller Series.
- 5.7** A parents/guardians/responsible adult must give consent for any sailors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event to enter. They are also required to remain on the CSC site throughout the event and are responsible for the sailor throughout the event.
- 5.8** Substitution of the helm, as named on the entrance form, will not be allowed during the course of the event.
- 5.9** Any boat wishing to use racing sails with numbers different to their hull number, must declare to the race committee prior to the briefing on the morning of the event. Failure to do so will result in disqualification without a hearing. This is to prevent multiple boats having identical sail numbers. This amends RRS Appendix G

## **6 Entries and Registration**

- 6.1** Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration and entry form on the CSC website.
- 6.2** Registration will be available on the day although online registration is preferred.
- 6.3** The event entry will also be the event registration.
- 6.4** To be considered an entry for the event, a boat shall complete all entry/registration requirements and pay all fees by the time of the pre-race briefing.
- 6.5** The entry fee for the event will also include breakfast sandwich, lunch sandwich and hot drinks throughout the day.
- 6.6** Early entry can be made online via CSC Website before 23.59hrs on Thursday 31 August 2023.
- 6.7** Competitors may enter on the day of the event up to 10.15hrs on 02 September 2023.
- 6.8** CSC have a maximum 30 boat limit on entries.

## **7 Entrance Fee**

- 7.1** An early entry fee will be available for those registering in advance online. The advance fee will be **£15** per boat entrance only or **£20** to include breakfast sandwich, lunch and hot drinks if made online before 23.59hrs Thursday 31 August 2023
- 7.2** Entries may be made on the day. The entry fee, if made on the day of the event, will be **£17** per boat entrance only and **£22** to include breakfast sandwich, lunch and hot drinks. With a 30 boat limit, as per note 6.8 above, arrival for pay on the day will be first come first admitted up to the maximum limit.

## **8 Invasive species**

Boats that have been launched at locations other than Chelmarsh Sailing Club in the 48 hours prior to the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race may not be sailed at Chelmarsh. This is to prevent the transmission of invasive species, which is best achieved by boats being cleaned and dried for 48 hours before launching at a new location.

## **9 Schedule**

- 9.1** The event will take place on Saturday 02 September 2023 at CSC at the address notified at the top of this NOR.
- 9.2** Access gates to CSC will open from 07.30 hrs.
- 9.3** Breakfast will be available from 08.30 hrs or thereabouts on the day of event.
- 9.4** There will be a briefing for competitors no earlier than 10:30 hrs.
- 9.5** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 11.00 hrs. The intended times of the warning signals for subsequent races will be communicated at the pre-race briefing.
- 9.6** The prize giving will follow as soon as possible after the final race.

## **10 Number of races**

It is intended to run a minimum of 3 races during the event. However, the number of races will depend upon weather conditions on the day.

## **11 Racing Area and course**

The racing area and the method of communicating the course will be explained during the pre-race briefing.

## **12 Scoring and Prizes**

- 12.1** The event will be scored as provided in RRS Appendix A.
- 12.2** A boat's event score shall be the total of their race scores from the event excluding their worst score (discard).
- 12.3** When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's event score will be the total of their race scores.
- 12.4** In the event of a tie occurring between two or more boats upon completion of the event, the result will be determined on the positions of the discarded result.
- 12.5** In the event that the discarded results remain in a tie, or no discard is available, the finishing position of the last race will determine the results.
- 12.6** Allocation of prizes for the event will be made at the discretion of the race committee.

### **13 Rights to Use Names and Likenesses**

Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of all media relating to the event. They also allow their names, age category, club and boat details to be displayed in competitors lists prior to the event and in results. Examples of publication areas are websites such as CSC, National Solo Class Association, Yachts and Yachting and Social media. Any omissions required are to be notified to the Race Management Team at registration on the day of the event.

### **14 Prizes**

Prizes will be awarded on the day for at least 1st, 2nd, 3rd, overall. The organisers reserve the right to decide eligibility of prizes.

### **15 Coaches & Supporters**

No coach or support boats will be permitted on the water. Coaches & supporters accompanying competitors are required to comply with the principles of good sportsmanship and behaviour, the rules of CSC and the National Solo Dinghy Class Association. Failure to do so may result in investigation by the regatta organisers, and potentially in an instruction to leave the premises of CSC, disqualification, etc.

### **16 Safety**

Personal flotation must be worn by anyone going onto the beach, pontoons, launching ramps or the water.

### **17 Risk statement**

**17.1** RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. *Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.*

**17.2** Provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

**17.3** It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure they are familiar with all and any risks that are specific with this event or venue, as drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the event or venue.

**17.4** It is the responsibility of the competitor to attend any safety briefing held at the event venue.

### **18 Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £5,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

### **19 Declaration**

By entering the event, competitors agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern this event. Entrance also confirms that they have read the Notice of Race and accept its provisions. The competitor also agrees that their boat will conform to the requirements set out in this Notice of Race & the Sailing Instructions throughout the course of the event.

### **20 Further information**

For further information please contact Matt Robinson – CSC Solo Fleet Captain.

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