



## **NORTHAMPTON SAILING CLUB**

### **Notice of Race**

#### **Solo Midlands Area Championship at Pitsford Reservoir 29 November 2025**

#### **Also last of Midland Area and Big Lakes series**

**sponsored by Allen and CB Coverstore**

#### **1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is Northampton Sailing Club, Pitsford Reservoir, Northampton. NN6 9DG

#### **2. RULES**

2.1. This event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028.

2.2. Competitors shall sail in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.

2.3. Rule 40.1 applies at all times when afloat.

#### **3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1. The sailing instructions will be available before the event, electronically on the Northampton Sailing Club website: <https://northamptonsailingclub.org>

3.2 In case of conflict between the NoR and SIs the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.5 (c) 2.

#### **4. COMMUNICATION**

4.1. The official notice board will be the notice board at Northampton Sailing Club.

4.2. While racing, except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### **5. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY**

5.1. The event is open to all boats which have a valid measurement certificate issued by the RYA.

5.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration on the Northampton Sailing Club website, or registering on the day, paying the required fees,.

5.4. Entries are limited to 50 boats.

5.5. A Biosecurity disclaimer must be signed before launching for each visiting boat to state that the Check, Clean, Dry programme has been observed prior to arriving at Northampton Sailing Club and will be observed afterwards.

5.6. The entry code to access the site and changing rooms will be **2929**.



## 6. FEES and ENTRY

- 6.1. The entry fee is payable via the Northampton Sailing Club website: £20 in advance, £25 on the day.
- 6.2. If the event is cancelled by the OA a full refund will be given.

## 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. Open Meeting Registration: Online entries and reception entry check-in from 09.00
- 7.2. Briefing: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am, Northampton SC on the front patio
- 7.3. The first warning signal shall be made no earlier than 10.55
- 7.4. Three races shall be sailed back to back
- 7.5. No warning signal will be made after 13.25hrs

## 8. SCORING

- 8.1. The low point scoring system (RRS Appendix A) will apply.
- 8.2. Two races shall be completed to constitute a series
- 8.3. The total score for each boat shall be the sum of her scores as follows:
  - 8.3.1 When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
  - 8.3.2 When 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding the worst score

## 9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

- 9.1. Boats and equipment may be inspected at any time.

## 10. VENUE

- 10.1. The venue is Northampton Sailing Club, Pitsford Reservoir, Northampton. NN6 9DG The sailing area will be Pitsford Reservoir.

## 11. COURSES

- 11.1. The courses will be decided on the day of the event. Full details will be in the Sailing Instructions (SIs) and briefing.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. The post-race penalty and RYA arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. The post-race penalty will be 30%.

## 13. SUPPORT VESSELS

- 13.1. Support boats will not be allowed.



## 14. DATA PROTECTION

14.1. Results: As part of entering this event your results will be published in the public domain and may be given to the RYA for their Portsmouth Yardstick scheme and to the Class Association. While your results contain personal data, it is normal practice to expect that, when entering an event, your results will be published, and this is a condition of entry. It is therefore part of the contract to provide you with race entry and administration that we will publish the results, which may include such information such as sail number, sailing club, age and gender (if there are age and gender related results).

14.2. Photography: By competing in this event, competitors grant to the organisers without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any non-identifiable motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event and consent to these being published in class, club, sponsor and other publications and / or the class, club, sponsor or other websites.

## 15. RISK STATEMENT

15.1. Rule 3 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.

15.2. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

15.2.1. 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.

15.2.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore.

15.2.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.

15.2.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.

15.2.5. 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.

15.2.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

15.2.7. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

15.2.8. The organising authority will not accept any liability for loss, material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## 16. INSURANCE

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



## 17. PRIZES

17.1. Prizes will be awarded at a prize giving located on the front patio or Club House lounge asap after the final race of the day.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Early Arrivals sailors who would like to make the event a long weekend are welcome to arrive at the Club from Friday evening (access will be available from around 5.00pm) gate code is 2929

Sailors are welcome to stay at the club and to participate in sailing and racing on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Camping on site: Camping, campervan and motorhome pitches are available on site from Friday through to Sunday. Pitches must be pre booked prior to arrival via the on-line booking camping on the Northampton Sailing Club website: [Book Camping Here](#)

A limited number of electric hook up pitches are available towards the top of the site behind the school building, they are on a first come, first served basis. Toilet and washroom facilities are available for campers during your stay. Payment for camping should be made at registration. Camping, campervan and motorhome charges are £5.00 per night. Additional Electric hook up charge £5.00 per night.

**Catering and Bar Facilities:** Breakfasts, Sandwiches, snacks and beverages will be available throughout the day. Bar facilities will be available after racing on Saturday. All payments for food and beverages to be made at the time of purchase. Special dietary requirements should be notified at the time of booking.

**Dogs on site:** Dogs are allowed on site but must be kept on a short lead at all times and owners are asked to clean up after their dog. Dogs are not permitted inside the sailing club building. Don't leave dogs in cars or vans unattended.

**Parking:** Vehicles must only be parked where instructed. Under no circumstances shall vehicles be on the slipway or foreshore areas.

Further Information: For any further information, please contact the class association or email Northampton Sailing Club – [info@northamptonsailingclub.org](mailto:info@northamptonsailingclub.org)