

## SCORPION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

The Organizing Authority for the event is Looe Sailing Club in conjunction with the National Scorpion Class Association (UK)

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022 – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Hosted by Looe Sailing Club, Looe, Cornwall PL13 1AS

### Notice of Race ( V1.1 31/05/22 )

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)*

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

#### **1 RULES**

**1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**1.2** RRS 40 Personal Flotation Devices

Rule 40.1 applies at all times boats are afloat.

**1.3** 78.2 Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates. See 4.1 below.

#### **2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**2.1** Printed Sailing Instructions will be available upon completion of registration at Looe Sailing Club and may be published in advance on the Class Association and Looe Sailing Club websites.

#### **3 COMMUNICATION**

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

#### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**4.1** The regatta is open to boats of the National Scorpion Class that have a valid measurement certificate. When RRS 78.2 is applied the certificate shall be produced or verified to the satisfaction of the NSA no later than 10:00 on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022 this changes RRS 78.2

**4.2** At least one of the helm or crew must be a full or full junior member of the National Scorpion Class Association, and the other must be at least an associate member of the National Scorpion Class Association.

**4.3** Eligible boats may enter on-line via the National Scorpion Class Association website. Details of how to enter are on the Nationals entry tab on the website. The closing date for entry will be 10.00 am Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2022, or earlier if oversubscribed.

**4.4** Entry form for competitors under the age of 18 shall be counter-signed by a parent or guardian. This will also include permission for personal data and video/photography as laid out in NoR 16.1. The decision to race is therefore the responsibility of that parent or guardian.

**4.5** The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: A maximum of 75 entries will be allowed.

**4.6** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

- 4.7** The organizing authority may cancel the event and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76. Should the organizing authority cancel the event they shall refund the entry fee in full less any costs incurred.

**5 FEES**

- 5.1** Entry fees are as follows:

SCORPION UK NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	Standard Entry Fee before 17/7/2022
Adult Entry	£245
Youth Entry (Under 21 on 24 <sup>th</sup> /07/2022	£150

- 5.2** If an entry is cancelled by a competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Entry Fee Refund
Up to and including 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	100%
After 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	15%

**6 CREW LIMITATIONS**

- 6.1** Substitution of the person named as helm on the entry form will not be permitted.
- 6.2** Permission to substitute the person named as crew on the entry form will only be granted for reasons of injury, illness, serious unforeseen personal circumstances or pre-arranged crew substitutions approved by the organizing authority at or before registration. Permission to substitute the named crew on the entry form can be granted by the organizing authority or at the discretion of the race committee in conjunction with the National Scorpion Association. Pre arranged substitutions should be requested prior to or at registration.

**7 ADVERTISING**

- 7.1** **[NP] [DP]**Boats may be required to display advertising and bow numbers chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

**8 SCHEDULE**

- 8.1** Registration will take place in the Clubhouse.

Date	Time
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2022	15.00-17.00
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	0900 – 10:00

Boats shall complete registration prior to participation in any race.

- 8.2** To complete registration competitors shall present in advance (procedure tbc):-
- 8.2.1 A completed entry form including a declaration that the boat is covered by third party insurance as required by NoR 19.1 and pay any outstanding entry fees.
- 8.2.2 A valid measurement certificate. (See also NoR 4.1)
- 8.2.3 Membership confirmed by the National Scorpion Class Association as required by NoR 4.2
- 8.2.4 Complete all relevant documentation as requested by the Organising Authority.
- 8.2.5 During the regatta, the organizing authority may:-

- i) Request that the RYA verifies the validity of entrants certificates including owner's details and any corrector weights required to be fitted to the hull.
- ii) request the NSA verifies that the competing helm or crew comply with the eligibility requirements prescribed in NoR 4.2

**8.3** There will be a briefing for competitors in the Clubhouse at 20:00 on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July unless otherwise changed in the Sailing Instructions.

**8.4** Schedule of races:-

Date	Race	Warning Signal	High/Low Water
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Practice Race Points Race 1 Points Race 2	11:55 Back to back	HW 15:19 LW 09:00
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Points Race 3 Points Race 4	11:55 Back to back	HW 16:16 LW 10:07
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Points Race 5 Points Race 6 Crews Race	11:55 Back to back	HW 17:05 LW 11:03
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Points Race 7 Points Race 8	11:55 Back to back	HW 17:48 LW 11:50
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> July	Points Race 9 Points Race 10	11:55 Back to back	HW 18:29 LW 12:31
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Lay Day – to be used if less than 6 races.	t.b.a.	HW 19:08 LW 13:08

**8.5** On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022, if being used for racing, no warning signal will be made after 14:55 unless fewer than three races have been completed.

## **9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

**9.1** The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

## **10 VENUE**

**10.1** The venue will be Looe Sailing Club, Buller Street, Looe, Cornwall PL13 1AS.

**10.2** Racing will take place in Looe Bay

## **11 COURSE**

**11.1** The courses and starting systems will be defined in the Sailing Instructions. The courses to be sailed will be a combination of Windward / Leeward Legs and triangles. Full details will be in the Sailing Instructions together with race mark descriptions.

**11.2** The starts will be either Line or Gate starts at the discretion of the race committee. Depending on numbers and conditions the intention is to have Gate Starts.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**12.1** The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 shall not apply.

**12.2** The Post-Race Penalty and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply. The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

## **13 SCORING**

**13.1** 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

**13.2** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 9 or 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

#### **14 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**

**14.1** [DP] Support person vessels shall remain clear of racing.

#### **15 BERTHING**

**15.1** [NP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the dinghy park.

#### **16 DATA PROTECTION**

**16.1** The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event, photography, video, and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

#### **17 RISK STATEMENT**

**17.1** 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. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. 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;
- (g) 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 safety briefing held for the event.

#### **18 COVID STATEMENT [DP] [NP]**

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the 2022 Scorpion National Championship organizing authority COVID-19 procedures at Looe Sailing Club and any venue utilised as part of the championship programme. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This amends rule 60.1(a).

**19 ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE PROTOCOLS**

Strict traffic restrictions apply within the town requiring that arrival and departure protocols be applied. The protocols will be published on the National Scorpion Class Association Website and Looe Sailing Club Website no later than 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022. These protocols must be fully adhered with.

**20 HEALTH & SAFETY**

All competitors must comply with Looe Sailing Club Health and Safety Guidelines.  
<http://www.looesailingclub.co.uk/health-and-safety-requirements/>

**21 INSURANCE**

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

**22 PRIZES**

**22.1** Prize Giving will take place in the Clubhouse on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 10:00 (To be confirmed).

**22.2** Trophies, overall prizes, daily prizes and novelty prizes will be awarded according to a list to be published by the Class Association.

**23 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**23.1** For further information please contact Dave Elston, Scorpion Class Nationals Coordinator ([dave.elston@gmail.com](mailto:dave.elston@gmail.com) )

END OF NOTICE OF RACE