



Warsash Sailing Club

Notice of Race

Rooster Super South ITCA Traveller Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th September 2024

1. **Organising Authority:** Warsash Sailing Club.
2. **Rules:** The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the prescriptions of the RYA, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions issued for this event and the Class Rules. In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
3. **RYA Racing Charter:** Competitors should note that Warsash Sailing Club as the organising authority implements the RYA Racing Charter and that all competitors are required to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found in the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021- 2024) or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter

The racing rules will be changed as follows:

- i RRS 32 changed to allow a race to be shortened at the committee boat on station at the finish.
- ii RRS 35 changed to score boats finishing outside the time limit in their observed position on the course.
- iii RRS 40 changed so that personal flotation devices must be worn at all times whilst afloat.

The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions and event appendices. These may also change the racing rules.

4. **Advertising:** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.
5. **Eligibility and Entry:**
 - a. The regatta is open to Topper class dinghies with either a 5.3 or 4.2 sail.
 - b. The maximum number of entries is as follows, which may be adjusted at the discretion of the Organising Authority:
5.3 Fleet 50
4.2 Fleet 25
 - c. Entry is [online](#) and early entry is encouraged. Closing date for entries is Sunday 8th September 2024.
 - d. Competitors must agree to a signed parent /guardian declaration which will be part of the online entry.
 - e. Competitors may change between the 4.2 and 5.3 fleets and visa-versa after entry up until 23:59 Thursday 12th September, or afterwards at the discretion of the Race Officer.
6. **Entrance Fee:** The entry fee is £60 per boat for the weekend, there is a small discount for WSC members.
7. **Registration:** Registration will be from 0900 until 0945 on Saturday 14th September 2024 in the Shore House Main Hall.





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8. **Races:**
- There will be a maximum of 8 races for each fleet, with no more than 5 races per day.
 - A maximum of 2 discards will be allowed, the first after successful completion of 4 races, the second on completion of the 8th race.
 - The first race will not start before 11:00 on the Saturday and not before 10:00 on the Sunday.
 - The target duration of each race will be 35-45 minutes and the races will be run back-to-back without a return to shore.
 - No race will start after 17:00 on the Saturday, with no race starting after 1500 on the Sunday.
9. **Briefing:** There will be a briefing by the Race Officer at 1000 on Saturday 14th September 2024 with a shorter update before launching at 0900 on the Sunday.
10. **Sailing Instructions:** The sailing instructions will be available to download from the [Regatta web page](https://www.warsashsc.org.uk/open-events/topper/) (<https://www.warsashsc.org.uk/open-events/topper/>) from 08th September 2024.
11. **Race area:** The race area will be within Southampton Water/The Solent, in the vicinity of Coronation Buoy, which is approximately 2 miles from Warsash Sailing Club.
12. **Risk Statement:** RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue to race is hers alone" and that 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:
- 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.
 - They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
 - They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
 - The provision of a race management team, patrol boats if any and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
 - The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances.
 - Personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors whilst afloat.
13. **Insurance**
- Each participating boat must hold valid insurance, which includes cover for third-party liability up to a value of £3,000,000.
14. **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.
15. **Social:**
- Breakfast rolls will be available from Shore House from 09:00 on the morning of racing
 - Regular club lunches will be available at Shore House on Saturday and Sunday





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- c. A post sailing social will be provided at Shore House on Saturday, from 17:00 or approximately one hour after the racing has finished.
 - d. It is anticipated that the Prize Giving will take place within an hour of coming ashore on the Sunday.
16. **Parking:** Cars and trailers may be parked on Strawberry fields for the duration of the event, the entrance is just passed the Shore House site, back up the one-way system along Shore Road.
17. **Further Information** may be obtained from:

The Warsash Sailing Club website

<https://www.warsashsc.org.uk/open-events/topper/>

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