



**NOTICE OF RACE
MIRROR SOUTHERN CHAMPIONSHIP,
NATIONWIDE SERIES & EUROPEAN GRANT QUALIFIER
WHITSTABLE YACHT CLUB, 3rd & 4th May 2008**

VENUE AND ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The event will be at Whitstable Yacht Club, 3-4 Sea Wall, Whitstable, Kent, CT5 1BX, Tel: 01227 272942, email office@wyc.org.uk. The organising authority is Whitstable Yacht Club (WYC) in conjunction with the Mirror Class Association (MCA).

RULES

Racing will be governed by the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); the prescriptions of the RYA, the MCA Rules and the Sailing Instructions for the event.

The Exoneration Penalty [and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration] of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available

ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all boats of the mirror class.

All sailors must be either members of the UK Mirror Class Association, holding a class of membership which entitles them to race or in the case of non-UK residents, members of their national Mirror Class Association.

PROGRAMME .

Saturday 3rd May. High Tide 11:47.

09:00 Registration opens.

10:30 Briefing

11.55 The warning signal for the first race on Saturday will not be before this time. Three races are scheduled for Saturday.

Sunday 4th May 2008. High Tide 12:36

10:00 Races 4,5 & 6

16:30 Prize Giving

BRONZE FLEET TRAINING & RACING

Bronze Fleet for new comers and less experienced.

Subject to confirmation of number of entrants to the Bronze fleet, the MCA will be organizing boat tuning and training on the Saturday and racing on the Sunday.

SCORING SYSTEM

One race shall be completed to constitute a series. The "Low Points" Scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. The number of discards will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

ADVERTISING

The racing event is designated RRS Category C.

There may be a requirement to display sponsor stickers, provided at registration, see sailing instruction.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on registration at Whitstable Yacht Club.

ENTRY and REGISTRATION

It is recommended that eligible boats enter on line via the MCA web site, www.ukmirrorsailing.com . Details of entries fees outlined on MCA web site. Further information can be downloaded from Mirror class websites.

COURSES

On both days courses will be set in Whitstable Bay, as shown in the Sailing Instructions. Competitors are advised to allow sufficient time to sail out to the start.

MEASUREMENTS

Each boat wishing to complete in the Nationwide series shall produce a valid measurement certificate.

Measurement inspections may take place at any time during the event.

All boats are required to carry a dedicated tow line of a minimum 4 metre length.

SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register and identify the boats they are associated with. Support boats shall stay clear of the racing at all times and will be under the absolute direction of any member of the Race Committee.

RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions while racing, nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

INSURANCE

Each participating boats shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or equivalent.

FILM and PHOTOGRAPHY RIGHTS

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, or 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, both the on the WYC and MCA websites and in publications.

PRIZES

Prizes to be awarded according to the number of entries and at the discretion of the WYC Race Committee and MCA.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the MCA or Whitstable Yacht Club.

Dan Harnett, WYC event organiser.

3rd March 2008