

WHITSTABLE YACHT CLUB Noble Marine Solo Spring Championships April 27 2025 NOTICE OF RACE





ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is Whitstable Yacht Club in conjunction with the Solo Class Association.

RULES

The racing shall be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025 - 2029, the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA), the appropriate class rules, Canterbury City Council Water Safety Rules, the Solo Class Association rules and the Sailing Instructions for this event. In the event of conflict, the event Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

ENTRY & REGISTRATION

Enter via the Whitstable YC online booking at https://www.wyc.org.uk/solo-spring-championships-2025/ - the entry fee of £25 per boat is payable to Whitstable Yacht Club.

PROGRAMME

There will be a briefing on Sunday April 27 in the clubhouse at 09.30.

It is planned to run three or four races subject to the weather - the first race Warning Signal will be no earlier than 10.55 - subsequent two or three races will follow back to back. No warning signal shall be made after 15.30.

SCORING:

The low point system of appendix A (Scoring) will apply.

If four races are held, there will be one discard; if one - three races are held, all will count.

COURSES

Courses will be set in Whitstable Bay, approximately North West of Whitstable Yacht Club. The course configuration will be displayed on the WYC course board. Starts and finishes will either be from the club line or a committee boat. Starts and the starting sequence will be displayed on the WYC course board and at the briefing.

RISK STATEMENT

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 crew, 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 and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

- the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event referred to in the Sailing Instructions and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue; and
- their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be published on the WYC website at http://www.wyc.org.uk.

SAFETY

A tally system shall be in use where a tally number will be allocated to each boat at registration. All competitors shall tally out of the box provided before launching and shall tally back in the appropriate box immediately after coming ashore, and certainly WITHIN 30 MINUTES OF THE FINISH OF THE LAST BOAT IN THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY.

Failure to comply with this sailing instruction may be disqualification or a contribution of £10 to the RNLI made before the end of the protest time, as provided for in Rule 64.

PRIZES

Prizegiving will take place soon after the final race on Sunday.

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