



UK Europe National Championship

Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th June 2022

&

Solo Nigel Pusinelli Trophy

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th June 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy in conjunction with the UK Europe Class Association and National Solo Class Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the latest rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The Organising Authority implements the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter. Competitors shall undertake to sail in accordance with the Charter.
- 1.3. The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4. 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).
- 1.5. RRS Appendix T will apply.
- 1.6. RRS 35 is changed so that after the first boat has finished, boats may be finished based on their observed position on the course.
- 1.7. RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. [DP]
- 1.8. RRS 42 is changed for the Europe class to allow open pumping when Flag U is displayed on the committee vessel, in 12kts or more wind.
- 1.9. RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board at least three days prior to the event.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located at: <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/official-notice-board>.
- 3.2. From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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. [DP].

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Europe and Solo classes.
- 4.2. All competitors shall be members of their relevant National or International Class Association. Evidence of membership may be required at registration.
- 4.3. Eligible boats shall enter by the following links and by paying the entry fee
Europe: <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/events/europe-uk-national-championship-2022>
Solo: <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/events/solo-nigel-pusinelli-trophy-2022>
- 4.4. All competitors under 18 years of age at the start of the event shall submit a Parent or Guardian Declaration as part of the on-line entry process.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fees for the Europe class are as follows and shall be paid in full by the relevant date:
5.1.1. £95 per boat for entries up to midnight on Tuesday 24th May 2022.
5.1.2. £105 per boat for entries from Wednesday 25th May 2022 up to midnight on Tuesday 31st May 2022.
- 5.2. The entry fee for the Solo Class is £55 And shall be paid in full by the closing date.
- 5.3. The closing date for entries is midnight on Tuesday 31st May 2022.
- 5.4. The entry fee includes after racing snacks for all competitors.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. See World Sailing Advertising Code. [DP] [NP].

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1. Registration will be from 09:00 to 10:00 on Friday 3rd June for the Europe class and 09:00 to 10:00 on Saturday 4th June 2022 for the Solo class. Registration will be in Room 4 at WPNSA.
- 7.2. The competitor briefing will be at 10:00 on Friday 3rd June for the Europe Class and 10:00 on Saturday 4th June for the Solo Class. Both briefings will be held in Spinnakers at WPNSA.
- 7.3. The schedule is:

Day	Date	First Warning Signal	No. of Races	Class(es)
Friday	3 rd June	11:55	3	Europe
Saturday	4 th June	11:55	3	Europe & Solo
Sunday	5 th June	10:25	3	Europe & Solo

- 7.4. The event will consist of up to nine races for the Europe class and up to six races for the Solo class. The intention is that racing will take place as scheduled in 7.3. However, additional races may be sailed either in advance or arrears in order to complete the programme if weather or other reasons dictate. This may include bringing scheduled races forward, except the first race on the first scheduled day of racing.
- 7.5. On the last day of racing no warning signal shall be made after 15:30.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1. Europe Class boats finishing in the top 10 for the event may be required to show a measurement certificate to a class official.
- 8.2. Boats and/or measurement certificates may be inspected at any time. [NP] [DP].
- 8.3. Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 when presented for inspection. [DP].

9. VENUE

- 9.1. The venue is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Osprey Quay, Portland, Dorset, DT5 1SA.
- 9.2. The racing area will be in Portland Harbour and Weymouth Bay.

10. COURSES

- 10.1. The courses to be sailed will be inner and outer trapezoid.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2. The Europe and Solo classes will be scored separately.
- 11.3. A boat's series score will be calculated as follows:
 - 11.3.1. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 11.3.2. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT PERSONS VESSELS [DP]

- 12.1. All support boats will register with the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy by completing an online Event Support Boat Registration Form at <https://www.wpnsa.org.uk/event-support-boat-registration-form>. Once submitted, a member of staff will contact you to take the payment of £10 per day by card.
- 12.2. RRS 37 will be used. Except when responding to the signal in RRS 37, support boats, coaches and other support persons shall stay at least 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start on that course until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 12.3. In order to prevent fuel spillage, refuelling of boats/tanks is not permitted on the pontoons at WPNSA. Boats may refuel at the Portland Marina fuel pontoon or removable tanks may be taken offsite to be refuelled at a service station.
- 12.4. Kill cords shall be worn at all times whilst engines are running. The Course Safety Leader will be looking out for compliance on this issue, there are no excuses and boats will be requested to leave the race area immediately if kill cords are not being used appropriately.
- 12.5. Personal floatation devices shall be worn by all persons in a support boat at all times, except briefing while adjusting clothing, while on the water.
- 12.6. Each support boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.
- 12.7. Where possible support boats should agree to carry drinks and small bags for sailors without support boats.
- 12.8. All Support Boat drivers shall attend the Support Boat Briefing. Details will be advised in the Sailing Instructions.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned spaces whilst in the boat park. [DP].

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes for the Europe National Championship will be a minimum of:

- Open Champ Trophy
- National Champion Trophy
- Female Helm
- Tin Rig 'Classic' Trophy

14.2. Prizes for the Solo Nigel Pusinelli Trophy will be a minimum of:

- First to third places.

15. DATA PROTECTION

15.1. 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 and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

16. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS

16.1. 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.

17. COVID STATEMENT [DP] [NP]

17.1. 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 WPNSA and Organising Authority COVID-19 procedures. 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.

18. RISK STATEMENT

18.1. 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 involves an element of risk. 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 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;

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 competitor briefing held for the event.

18.2. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

19. INSURANCE

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

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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