



## **UK RS300 CLASS ASSOCIATION**

### **GRAND PRIX SERIES 2016 NOTICE OF RACE**

Organising Authority – UK RS Association in conjunction with various yacht and sailing clubs.

#### **1. PROGRAMME**

1.1 The following events comprise the Grand Prix series 2016:

1. Spring Championship: Stewartby WSC 19-20 March
2. Sprint Championship: Rutland Water SC 23-24 April
3. Slalom Championship: Bristol Corinthian YC 21 May
4. Scottish Championship: Prestwick SC 28-29 May
5. Southern Championship: Lymington Town SC 18-19 June
6. Sheffield Viking SC: 16 July
6. Glossop SC: 17 July
7. Inland Championship: Hykeham SC 22-23 October

Details of the events and their locations will be published on the UK RS Class Association website:  
[uk.rs300sailing.org](http://uk.rs300sailing.org)

1.2 The UK RS Class Association may organise additional events or cancel scheduled events should it think fit. Members of the UK Class Association will be informed of such changes through the RS Class Newsletter, Fast News or mailings.

#### **2. RULES**

2.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2.2 The RS Standard Sailing Instructions set out under 'Documents' on the UK RS Class Association website, see link in 1.1 above, will govern each event. In addition an Event Appendix will be available at registration with additions and amendments specific to the event.

2.3 The racing rules will be changed as follows:

Rule 31 changed so that marks other than starting and finishing marks may be touched without penalty.

Rule 32 changed to allow the race to be shortened at the Committee Boat on station at the finish.

Rule 35 changed to score boats finishing outside the time limit in their observed position on the course.

Rule 40 changed so that personal Floatation Devices must be worn at all times while afloat.

Rule 63.1 changed so that for breaking certain rules boats can be disqualified without a hearing.

The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions and Event Appendices. These may also change other racing rules.

### **3. ADVERTISING**

3.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

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

4.1 RS All Class Rules for membership to be eligible to compete in this event shall apply.

4.2 Competitors may enter either before registration by obtaining an entry form by mail or on-line where available, or at registration. Information regarding the time and place of registration and the entry fee will be available from the RS Office.

4.3 Any competitors who are aged under 18, shall complete an Under 18 Consent Form. This can be downloaded from the UK RS Class Association website and should be completed and handed in at the event.

### **5. FEES**

5.1 Details of fees applicable for each event will be available from the host club or RS Office at least 3 weeks before each event.

### **6. SCHEDULE**

6.1 Details of the schedule for each event will be available on the RS website or from the RS Office at least 6 weeks before each event.

6.2 The RS Racing events will comprise of a maximum of 6 races for a two-day event except the Sprint Championships.

### **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)**

7.1 The RS Standard SIs set out under 'Documents' on the UK RS Class Association website, see link at 1.1 above, will govern each event. In addition an Event Appendix will be available at registration with additions and amendments specific to the event. In the event of a conflict between the Standard SIs and Event Appendix, the provisions of the Event Appendix will take precedence.

### **8. VENUE**

8.1 Additional information specific to each venue, including the time of the briefing and the first warning signal, is given under 'Events' on the UK RS Class Association website, see link at 1.1 above.

### **9. COURSES**

9.1 Details of courses will be provided in the Event Appendix A, available at registration at each event.

### **10. SERIES SCORING**

10.1 In the event of a tie, Appendix A8.1 of the Racing Rules of sailing is amended so that excluded scores will be taken into account when breaking a tied series result. A8.2 is amended such that 'race is substituted by 'event'.

10.2 Points will accrue to the registered helm and not the entered boat.

10.3 The number of events that can be discarded are as follows:

RS300 National Tour 7 events, 3 to count. The events at Sheffield Viking and Glossop SCs (see 1.1) will be combined for the purposes of compiling the series score (one race may be excluded from each of the individual events in deciding the combined scoring, and A8.1 will apply as normal).

## **11. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

11.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **12. PRIZES**

12.1 Details of prizes for each event will be detailed in the Event Appendix, available at registration at each event.

## **13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **14. INSURANCE**

14.1 Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability