

RS
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DOVEY YACHT CLUB / CLWB HWYLIO DYFI

Noble Marine Allen RS300 National Championships 2023
Thursday 7th September to Sunday 10th September 2023
Hosted by Dovey Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Dovey Yacht Club, in conjunction with the RS Class Association. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2 A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. Race signals AP will be changed. These changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration and amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be published on the Official Notice Board in the Look out of Dovey Yacht Club.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice board located in the Look-out of Dovey Yacht Club.
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, 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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the RS300 class.
- 4.2 Helm must be a full member of the RS Class Association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at:
<https://www.rs300.org/championships/index.asp?eid=2440>
 Online entry will close 0001hrs Fri 1 Sept 2023. Entries after this date can be made on paper at registration.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form. This can be downloaded from the RS300 Class Association website here:
<https://www.rs300.org/documents/p1gluc1f6muuh1a161spc110vmea3.pdf>
 and should be completed and handed in at registration.
- 4.6 No entries will be accepted after 1200hrs Thurs 7 Sept 2023 for full event and 0930hrs Sat 9 Sept 2023 for weekend event.
- 4.7 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.8 Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 4.9 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race one any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

5 FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Early entry fee until <i>until 0001hrs Wed 21 June 2023</i>	Standard Fee <i>until 0001hrs Fri 1 Sept 2023</i>
RS300	£200	£240
Youth	£190	£230
Weekend	£100	£120

On paper entry will be available at registration but will be subject to £10 late fee for full event and £5 late fee for weekend event.

Youth is aged 22 or under at the start of the championship.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 Registration will be open in The Dovey Yacht Club from 1300-1700hrs on Wednesday 6th September, 0900-1200hrs Thursday 7th September and 0830-0930hrs Saturday 9th September.
- 9.2 Briefings – A Competitors’ Briefing will be held at 1230hrs on Thursday 7th of September in front of the Yacht Club. Subsequent briefings may be held and will be advised on the Official Notice Board.

9.3 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>No of Races</i>	<i>First Scheduled Start Time</i>
Thursday 7 th September	2 Races	1400hrs
Friday 8 th September	3 Races	1200hrs
Saturday 9 th September	3 Races	1200hrs
Sunday 10 th September	2 Races	1100hrs

- 9.4 10 races are scheduled.
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Thursday 7th will be at 1355hrs. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th will be at 1155hrs, and on Sunday 10th September at 1055hrs.
- 9.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1430hrs.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

12 VENUE

The Venue is Dovey Yacht Club, The Wharf, Aberdyfi, Gwynedd, LL35 OED.

13 COURSES

The courses to be sailed and the marks to be used will be described in the Sailing Instructions. Weather permitting, courses will be set in Cardigan Bay. When required, courses may be set within the estuary and adjusted accordingly.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from eight to eleven races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

This changes RRS A2.

16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

Not applicable.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park area.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The Class Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently 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 event 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;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

22.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

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 venue/OA/sailing club 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 be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

23 INSURANCE

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

24 PRIZES

Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, as follows:

National Champion 1st

2nd

3rd

4th

5th

1st Silver

1st Master Helm (over 50 outside the main prizes at start of the Championship)

1st Youth Helm (under 22 at start of Championship)

1st Apprentice (1st helm at their first RS300 nationals)

1st Lightweight (1st helm less than 75kg)

Fidelis Trophy (1st helm outside main prizes who has competed in at least 3 previous RS300 nationals)

Endeavour Trophy

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact clare@rs-association.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE