



RS100/RS300/RS400/2000 Sprint Championships 22nd and 23rd April 2017

Organised by the RS Class Association in conjunction with Rutland Sailing Club
Edith Weston, Rutland, LE15 8HJ ● 01780 720292 ● www.rutlandsc.co.uk

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and will be published in advance on the Class Association websites (see section 2.2) and the Rutland Sailing Club (<http://rutlandsc.co.uk/>) web site.
- 1.3 Competitors shall comply with the Recreational Byelaws of Anglian Waterways. **All boats and trailers brought to the regatta shall be free of Aquatic Invasive Species** and shall therefore comply with the procedure described in the appendix.
- 1.4 Competitors should note that the host sailing club implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-20), or at <http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/RacingCharter.aspx>.
- 1.5 Personal floatation devices shall be worn at all times whilst afloat. This changes RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry is open to all boats of the RS100, RS300, RS400 and 2000 classes that comply with the current class rules.
Competitors should enter in advance on-line at:
RS100: <http://www.rs100.org/championships/mindex.asp?selection=Enter%20Online3&subsect=18&eid=1571>
RS300: <http://www.rs300.org/championships/mindex.asp?selection=Enter%20Online3&subsect=18&eid=1571>
RS400: <http://www.rs400.org/championships/mindex.asp?selection=Enter%20Online3&subsect=18&eid=1571>
2000: <http://www.rs400.org/championships/mindex.asp?selection=Enter%20Online3&subsect=18&eid=1571>
- 2.2 The helm or crew (or both) of each RS100, RS300 and RS400 boat must be full members of the RS Class Association. The helm or crew (or both) of each 2000 boat must be full members of the 2000 class association.

3. FEES

- 3.1 The entry fees are £43 for RS400s and 2000s and £32 for RS100s and RS300s.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & RACING FORMAT

- 4.1 The Sprint Championships for each class will be rounds of short races.
- 4.2 Classes will be divided into **smaller fleets** (less than approximately 12 boats) and **larger fleets**.
- 4.3 **Smaller fleets** will sail together in all races throughout the regatta. For **larger fleets** there will be round robin racing in Round 1 on Saturday. On the basis of Round 1 positions, the competitors in the larger fleets will be split into gold, silver, and possibly bronze fleets for Round 2, which will comprise 6 races to be held on Sunday.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration will be held in the Wet Bar in the Clubhouse between 08:30 and 11:00 hours on Saturday 22nd April. (Please register before 11:00 hours to allow round-robin fleet allocations to be completed in time for the competitor briefing.)
- 5.2 There will be a competitor briefing at 11:30 hours on Saturday in the Wet Bar.
- 5.3 The planned race schedule is as follows:

Saturday	Round 1	First warning at 12:25: six races
Sunday	Round 2	First warning at 10:25: Six races
----- Lunch (end of regatta) -----		

- 5.4 No race will be started after 1430 hours on Sunday.

6. VENUE

- 6.1 The event will be held at Rutland Sailing Club, Gibbet Lane, Edith Weston, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 8HJ
- 6.2 The location of the racing area will be displayed on the Official Notice Board.

7. THE COURSE

7.1 A schematic of the course is shown in the diagram.
This is subject to alteration due to wind conditions.

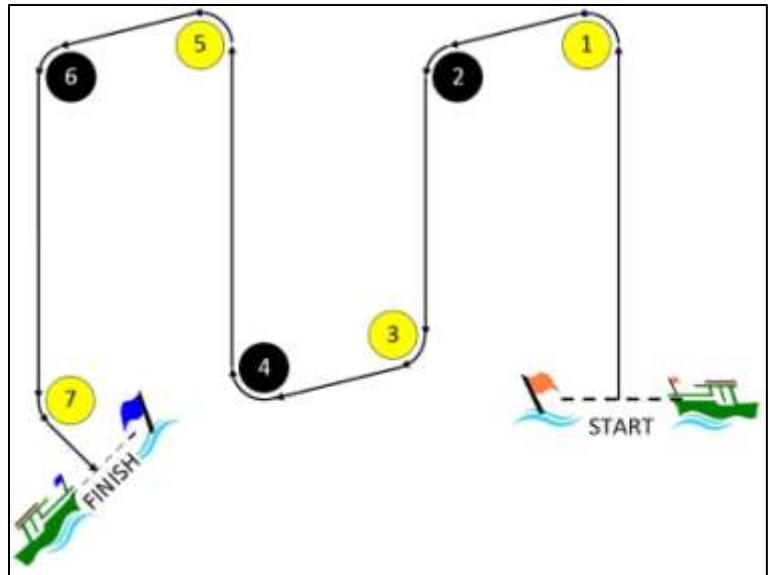
8. PENALTY SYSTEM

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

9. SCORING

9.1 The Low points System of Appendix A will be used. For the purposes of RRS A4.2, the number of boats in the series shall be taken as the number of boats within the largest fleet of that class during that round of the regatta.

- (a) **Smaller fleets:** All races will count equally.
- (b) **Larger fleets:** The winner of each class in the regatta shall be the boat with the lowest score in Round 2. Results from Round 1 will be disregarded.



9.2 RRS A2 is changed so that a boat's score shall be the total points gained in that round – i.e. no discards.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

10.1 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.

11. PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be available for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each fleet with additional prizes as required up to the square root of fleet entry.

12. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

12.1 Competitors automatically grant the RS Class Association and Rutland Sailing Club 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 regatta, unless otherwise advised in writing prior to the regatta.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

13.1 All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not considered personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.1.

14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1 Rule 4 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 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.

15. INSURANCE

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 For further information relating to accommodation, catering etc., please refer to the Rutland SC web site (www.rutlandsc.co.uk) or telephone: 01780 720292

John Fothergill and David Rowlands, February 10, 2017

APPENDIX:

Check, Clean & Dry Procedure for visiting ribs, dinghies & cruisers.



In order to comply with Anglian Water's byelaws for Rutland Water all visiting boats must comply with the **CHECK, CLEAN & DRY** procedure **BEFORE ARRIVING AT Rutland Sailing Club**.

Check	Check your equipment and clothing for living organisms. Pay particular attention to areas that are damp or hard to inspect.
Clean	Clean and wash all equipment, footwear and clothes thoroughly, use hot water where possible. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them. (Cleaning & washing must be done away from Rutland Water when visiting the Club)
Dry	Dry all equipment and clothing – some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

Visiting boats will be randomly checked on arrival and if found to be in a condition that causes concern, will not be allowed to be brought on site. All sailors & rib drivers will be expected to sign a statement to confirm that they have Checked, Cleaned and Dried their boats before arriving at RSC. This will be normally included with the race entry form or the rib registration form that must be signed before racing starts.

Additional Information

Ribs: Any ribs that have flooding hulls are not allowed to be brought to the club. Engines should be flushed out with hot water before they are brought to Rutland water.

Launching Trolleys/Trailers: should not be left in the water for any longer than is necessary to launch & recover the boat

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