

Notice of Race

Stokes Bay Sailing Club

RS300, OK & Europe Open Meeting 28th and 29th September 2024

The organising authority is Stokes Bay Sailing Club Ltd (SBSC), The Promenade, Stokes Bay Road, Gosport, PO12 2BL.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. Guidelines for discretionary penalties are available on the World Sailing website.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the prescriptions of the RYA. Competitors will also behave in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter. <https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter>
- 1.2 For the **RS300 Class** only, RRS 31 is changed so that marks other than starting and finishing marks may be touched without penalty.
- 1.3 For the **Europe Class** only, the Race Committee may permit pumping, rocking and ooching in accordance with Europe class rules. The signals will be made according to RRS P5. This changes RRS 42.2(a), RRS 42.2(b) and RRS 42.2(c).
- 1.4 Rule 40.1 (Personal Flootation Devices) is changed so that it will apply at all times.
- 1.5 Rule 35 is changed so that boats finishing outside the time limit may be scored their position on the course.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

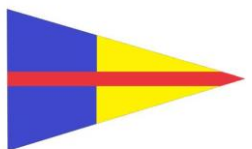
- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online at <https://www.stokesbay-sc.co.uk/open-events-2/>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located in the entrance lobby of the clubhouse. A weather forecast and any current Notice to Mariners will be posted there.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the RS300, OK and Europe classes where competitors are paid up members of the relevant Class Association.
- 4.2 Boats may enter the event by completing the online entry form at WebCollect <https://webcollect.org.uk/stokesbay-sc> and paying the entry fee by no later than 23.59hrs on Wednesday 25th September.



- 4.3 Late entries will only be accepted with the payment of the late entry fee and completion of a paper form on the day.
- 4.4 Competitors under the age of 18 years on the day of the event will be required to complete and lodge a parental/guardian consent form either via WebCollect or paper form for a late entry.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Class	Entry Fee until 23.59 hrs on 25.9.24 (Includes 1 Saturday evening meal)	Late Entry Fee (Includes 1 Saturday evening meal)
<i>RS300</i>	£50	£60
<i>OK</i>	£50	£60
<i>Europe</i>	£50	£60

6 ADVERTISING

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

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Briefing 11.40hrs on Saturday 28th September.

7.2 Number of races:

There are six races scheduled, three on each day. Races will be run back-to-back on both days. Races 4 & 5 may be brought forward due to an inclement weather forecast.

7.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 13.05hrs on Saturday 28th September and 10.25hrs for the first race on Sunday 29th September

7.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15.00hrs on Sunday 29th September

8 COURSES

8.1 The course(s) to be sailed will be either windward/leeward or trapezoid configuration. Course details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

PENALTY SYSTEM

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- 9.1 For the RS300 Class RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
- 10.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) 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.

11 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

- 11.1 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.

12 PRIVACY STATEMENT

- 12.1 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.

13 DATA PROTECTION

- 13.1 Competitors are required to sign the statement within WebCollect or on the paper form for a late entry.

14 RISK STATEMENT

14.1 ADDENDUM A (RYA)

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 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 organizer 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 and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

14.2 Whilst afloat, personal buoyancy shall be worn at all times. The Race Committee can disqualify a Competitor who does not comply with this rule. Wet suits and dry suits are not considered to be acceptable personal buoyancy for the purpose of this instruction. This changes RRS Rule 1.2, 40 and IC Flag 'Y' in the race signals.

14.3 Attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 1 'Helping Those in Danger'. In the absence of a nearby Patrol Boat, any boat in a race is to stand by a boat which has capsized or is disabled unless it is clear that no assistance is required. Redress maybe requested. (RRS Rule 62.1)

14.4 Competitors who, for reasons beyond their control, come ashore at places other than the Club, shall radio (call sign Stokes Bay Bridge) or telephone (023 9250 2093) the Club to notify their whereabouts whenever possible. This will prevent unnecessary air-sea rescue and anxiety.

14.5 The provision of a Patrol Boat does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities.

15 INSURANCE

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

16 PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of racing, as follows:

RS300 Class	OK Class	Europe Class
1 st Overall 2 nd Overall 3 rd Overall Midfleet Hero Endeavour	1 st Overall 2 nd Overall 3 rd Overall	1 st Overall 2 nd Overall 3 rd Overall 1 st Female

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For further information please contact Debbie Woodward
 Tel: 023 9258 1513
 Email: administrator@stokesbay-sc.co.uk

Additional matters:

Arriving at Stokes Bay

Pebble Beach Car Park is regularly monitored by Gosport Borough Council so please don't forget to pay for your parking. Free parking is available in the residential roads, a short walk from the club – please park courteously so as not to upset our neighbours. Once you have unhitched your trailer please take it on to the beach keeping the public promenade clear at all times over the weekend.

Social Arrangements

Hot food and beverages are available at the club during the day. Additional Saturday evening meals can be ordered via Webcollect. There will be some form of social event on the Saturday evening involving unusually reasonable bar prices.

Camping

Camping is available on the field adjacent to the club and can be booked via WebCollect. <https://webcollect.org.uk/stokesbay-sc> Further accommodation options can be found at <https://www.stokesbay-sc.co.uk/accommodation-for-open-events/>