

2/3 Dec 2023
Largs SC

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is RYA Scotland in conjunction with Largs SC

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. Rules

- 1.1. Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. This Notice of Race may be amended by a Notice to Competitors from the Organising Authority.
- 1.3. Competitors should note that RYA Events implement 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 2021-2024), or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/racingcharter
- 1.4. The exoneration penalty, and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration, of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. Racing will be for Optimist, Topper, Feva, ILCA and 29er dinghies, Techno and iQFOiL windsurfers.
- 2.2. For organisational and safety reasons all entries must be made on the event online entry form on or before Sun 26 Nov 2023. Entries will not be accepted after this date except at the Performance Manager's discretion.
- 2.3. Entries open by 26 Oct and will be taken through the RYA Scotland Bookwhen page at the link below.
[RYA Scotland Events - Booking by Bookwhen](#)

3. Cancellation

- 3.1. The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76. In the event that the Organising Authority decides to cancel the event, cancel a class or reject an entry they shall give at least 36 hours' notice to the affected competitors, and shall refund the entry fee, less any costs already incurred.

4. Fees

- 4.1. Entry Fees are £30 per boat/board for single handers and £40 per boat for double handers

5. Schedule

- 5.1. All competitors shall register at Largs SC on Sat 2 Dec between 08:30 and 10:00. Additional information regarding registration will be posted on the event website.

5.2. The main briefing for all competitors will take place in Lookout Lounge at 10:30.

5.3. Racing Programme

Date	Classes	First Warning Signal Not Before	Maximum Number of Races
Sat 2 Dec 2023	Optimist Topper Feva Techno ILCA 29er iQFOiL	11:55	12
Sun 3 Dec 2023	Optimist Topper Feva Techno ILCA 29er iQFOiL	10:25	12

5.4. There will be a maximum of 24 races for all classes during the event with a maximum of 10 races being sailed on any one day. The race committee may adjust the schedule of races throughout the weekend.

6. Measurement

6.1. Random measurement checks of boats and equipment, including personal equipment, may be made at any time during the championship.

7. Sailing Instructions

7.1. Draft sailing instructions will be downloadable from the RYA Scotland website before the event. Questions on the sailing instructions may be emailed to performance@ryascotland.org.uk Questions and answers will be posted to the event website.

8. Venue

8.1. The venue is Largs SC and the racing areas will be in the Largs Channel.

9. The Courses

9.1. The courses will sprint sized s-courses, windward-leeward or trapezoid and various additional courses to be detailed in the sailing instructions.

10. Scoring

10.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

- When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- c) When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.

11. Support Boats

- 11.1. Support boats must register with the organising authority by emailing admin@ryascotland.org.uk on or before Sun 26 Nov 2023.

12. Berthing

- 12.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned area at Largs SC.

13. Radio Communications

- 13.1. 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.

14. Prizes

- 14.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers and will be awarded to sailors assuming sufficient entries are received.

15. Safety Regulations

- 15.1. All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat, except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wetsuits and drysuits are not considered personal flotation devices. This changes RRS 40.1

16. Risk Statement

- 16.1. 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 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, umpires 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;
- 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 competitors briefing held at the venue;

17. Insurance

- 17.1. Boats are required to be adequately insured, including insurance against third party claims of at least £3,000,000.

18. Privacy Statement

- 18.1. 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 and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

19. Further Information

- 19.1. Any additional queries please contact admin@ryascotland.org.uk.

20. Membership & Liability

- 20.1. All visiting competitors and families will be deemed as visiting yachtsmen during the event and as such shall abide by the club's rules and bye-laws.