



NATIONAL JUNIOR WINDSURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Incorporating the Team15 Champions Cup)

Grafham Water Sailing Club
19th and 20th September 2015

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority is the UK Windsurfing Association (UKWA) in conjunction with the Royal Yachting Association (RYA)

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. These include Appendix B (windsurfing competition rules), the Prescriptions of the RYA, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, the Team15 Principles of Sportsmanship and Fair Play, and the rules of the relevant International classes as amended by National Class Rules where applicable.
- 1.2 This Notice of Race may be amended by a Notice to Competitors from the Organising Authority.
- 1.3 The local rules and bylaws of Grafham Water Sailing Club will apply.
- 1.4 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 2013-2016), or at www.rya.org.uk/racing/charter.
- 1.5 The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising will be allowed in accordance with the Class Rules of competing classes. All competitors eligible to compete for the T15 Champions Cup shall display one A3 size Team15 sail sticker on their sail. This should be positioned above the boom.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Racing will be for a National Title in the following classes:

3.5 Open, 4.5 Open, 5.8 Open, 3.5 Techno, 4.5 Techno, 5.8 Techno, 6.8 Techno and 7.8 Techno

A sailor wishing to race in the Techno 3.5, 4.5, 5.8 Class must ensure that their sail has a maximum of 6 battens and 2 cams.

6.8 And 7.8 Techno Sailors will race on the main UKWA course (under the UKWA event Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions).

Both Team15 members and individual sailors may enter.



www.team15.org.uk

- 3.2 A sailor must be a member of the UKWA, or as a non-UK resident must be a member of either their national windsurfing association or an ISAF Member. Except that UK Juniors may instead be a member of the RYA.
- 3.3 Entries will be accepted on-line and shall be received, together with the entry fee, on or before 9am on 14th September 2015. This should be done on-line at www.ryaracingevents.org.uk. Entries will be accepted on the day, **subject to a late entry fee.**
- 3.4 **All sailors are required to present a signed Parent/Guardian Declaration at registration. The form should be downloaded prior to the regatta from the event web site (www.ryaracingevents.org.uk).**
- 3.5 Classes may race together to form one fleet, depending on the number of entries.
- 3.6 Boards must display sail numbers on both sides of the sail in accordance with RRS Appendix G and optionally in accordance with B9. Additionally, for sailors eligible for the Team15 Champions Cup a numbered bib may also be worn.

4 CHAMPIONS CUP ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 Team15 teams that won or were runners-up within their Team15 Interclub series are eligible to compete for the Team15 Champions Cup. Eligible teams must nominate their team (maximum of 15 sailors whose results will be considered for the T15 Champions Cup) by email to anisha.walkerley@rya.org.uk by 08:00hrs on Tuesday 15th September. (Additional sailors from eligible Team15 teams may enter the event, but their results will not be considered for the T15 Champions Cup)
- 4.2 Eligible team members must have competed in one or more Interclub event/s for the team they are representing at the Champions Cup in the year of competition.
- 4.3 Eligible team members shall be 16 or under on the 31st December 2015 in order to compete in the Team15 Champions Cup.
- 4.4 Existing RYA UK Junior Squad Sailors shall not compete for their team for the Champions Cup, but can compete individually for the National class title.
- 4.5 Sailors who have previously won the 3.5 Open, 3.5 Techno, 4.5 Open or the 4.5 Techno fleet within the Champions Cup or the National Junior Windsurfing Championships, may not compete for their team for the Champions Cup or the National Junior Windsurfing Championships within the respective fleet in which they won. (sailors may choose to continue sailing on this sail size, but must do so on their change down sail and enter/compete with the fleet above.

5 FEES

The entry fees are detailed at www.ryaracingevents.org.uk.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration:

Competitors shall register and confirm entry details at the Event Office on Saturday 19th September from 08.00 - 09.30am. There will be a welcome and briefing for all competitors



on Saturday 19th September in the event Marquee at 10.15am.

6.2 Tally System:

Tally numbers will be posted on the Official Notice Board before racing commences.

6.3 Dates of Racing:

Racing will run on Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th September.

6.4 Number of Races:

There will be no maximum number of races.

The warning signal for the first race on Saturday is scheduled for 10.55 and for the first race on Sunday, at 09.55. On the last day of the event no warning signal will be made after 1600.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Draft Sailing Instructions are downloadable from the event site and the final version will be available on the Official Notice Board.

8 VENUE

Races will be sailed on Grafham Water.

9 THE COURSES

The course options will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 SCORING

The scoring system will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

12 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd male and female overall in each class. The Champions Cup will be awarded to the 1st Team15 team.

13 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

Competitors automatically grant to the Organizing 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.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

All competitors under 17 on 31st December 2015 shall wear a buoyancy aid or life jacket to an appropriate standard at all times when afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not an appropriate standard. If the Y flag is flying, **all** competitors shall wear a buoyancy aid or life jacket to an appropriate standard at all times when afloat.

A tally system will be in use.



15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Risk Statement

- 15.1 RRS 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:
- 15.2 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;
- 15.3 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 15.4 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- 15.5 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 15.6 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;
- 15.7 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

16 INSURANCE

Each participating board shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per event or the equivalent.

17 Further Information

All material relating to the event including news, detailed schedules, entry lists etc. will be published on www.ryaracingevents.org.uk in due course.

End of Notice of Race



Information which may be of use to competitors:

Grafham Water Local Rules / variations

Campers and camper vans are welcome and pre booking of a Campervan site from the Club Secretariat (admin@grafham.org / 0845 6442548) is essential. There is a charge of £15 per night for Campervans, £10 per night for Camping (please note – NO caravans please – our lease does not allow them). All day cafeteria both days, meal available on Saturday evening.

Directions to Grafham Water Sailing Club, details of local accommodation, and other information are available on the Club website - <http://www.grafham.org>

Entrants and authorised guests are temporary members of Grafham Water Sailing Club during the period of the event and shall comply with Club Rules and Bylaws. *Failure to observe these may result in exclusion from the club premises.*

MOVEMENT OF BOATS TO GRAFHAM WATER

In order to prevent the spread of non-native species there is a requirement to ensure that boats are clean before they visit the site using the principle of Check Clean Dry <http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry/index.cfm>. This includes:

CHECK your equipment and clothing for live organisms – particularly in areas that are damp or hard to inspect.

CLEAN and wash equipment, footwear and clothing thoroughly. If you do come across any organisms, leave them at the water body where you found them.

DRY all equipment and clothing – some species can live for many days in moist conditions. Make sure you don't transfer water elsewhere.

Anglian Water ask for boats and equipment, arriving at Grafham Water that are from the following locations, to have been clean and dry for at least two days prior to arrival – if not, then they must not be launched at the Club:

Wraysbury Reservoir and Wraysbury River near to Staines

The Queen Mother Reservoir

Queen Elizabeth II/Bessborough Reservoirs

Queen Mary Reservoir

Warwick East Reservoir, Warwick West Reservoir and William Girling Reservoir all located in the Lee Valley

MOVEMENT OF BOATS FROM GRAFHAM WATER

A non-native species of fresh water shrimp (commonly known as killer shrimps) have been found in Grafham Water and certain restrictions on boat movement have been imposed by AW, DEFRA or other bodies to prevent the spread of these to other locations in the UK. These requirements are prominently displayed on the club premises and will include washing boats and equipment before removal from the Club premises.

Failure to comply with the requirements of these restrictions may lead to expulsion from the event.