

UKWA National Windsport Championships and Champions Cup Grafham Water Sailing Club – 23rd / 24th September 2023

Appendix A – Champions Cup Competition Rules

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1.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 1.1 RYA Membership: All competitors shall be an RYA Member; either Personal or Family.
- 1.2 Techno Class Association membership: All competitors shall be a member of the techno Class Association
- 1.3 Age: Competitors shall be 18 or under on the 31st of December 2023.

1.4 Teams and Independent Entries

- 1.4.1 A club representative may nominate up to 15 sailors to compete per team at registration. Clubs may enter an additional team of 2 to 15 sailors only once they have a full team of 15 sailors already nominated for their primary team. The team leader must complete a team registration form at the race office of Saturday morning, to register their team.
- 1.4.2 Individuals who are not members of a club may enter the competition as an independent entry to gain competition experience and compete for individual fleet prizes. They cannot represent the club team or be part of another team; their ranking will not count towards any team score.
- 1.4.3 For a club to be eligible for the Champions Cup, the club must have attended at least one Interclub event in 2023 within their region. Each sailor must have competed for their club during at least one Interclub event.

2.0 FLEETS AND EQUIPMENT

- 2.1.1 Racing will take place in the following fleets: 3.5m, 4.5m, 5.8m, Techno 6.8m and Techno 7.8m.
- 2.1.2 For the purpose of the Champions Cup only 5.0m entries will be scored as 5.8m sailors.
- 2.1.3 Each fleet refers to the maximum sail size which will be used. Smaller sails may be used, especially in windy conditions.
- 2.1.4 Any rig shall have a maximum of 6 battens and 2 cams.
- 2.1.5 In the 3.5m class, small diameter masts and booms are recommended to be used with junior sails.
- 2.1.6 All boards shall have a dagger board/central fin.
- 2.1.7 Any board may be used in the 3.5m, 4.5m and 5.8m fleets, although sailors are encouraged to use a Bic Techno, except that RYA Regional Training Group sailors shall only use a Bic Techno board.
- 2.1.8 Only the Bic Techno One Design board shall be used in the Techno 6.8m and Techno 7.8m fleet, any permitted rig may be used.

Appendix B - Champions Cup Scoring

1.0 SCORING

- 1.0.1 All sailors in addition to sailing for their team, will be automatically entered into the National Championships and their individual scores will count towards the national titles for the fleet to which they are eligible.
- 1.0.2 For the purpose of the National Championships only 5.0m entries will be scored as a separate fleet.

1.2 Champions Cup Team scoring

- 1.2.1 For the Champions Cup, the following shall be calculated based on the results from sailors nominated under 1.4.1 for the Champions Cup will have their position extracted from the overall results from each fleet and these will be re-scored.
- 1.2.2 Each eligible sailor will be given a point for their overall position, for example, the highest placed eligible sailor will be scored 1pt, the next placed eligible sailor will be scored 2pts etc.
- 1.2.3 To calculate each eligible team's score, add together the positions of the six best ranking sailors (these can be taken from one fleet or a number of fleets).
- 1.2.4 If a club enters a team with less than six competitors, the missing scores will be created by taking the number of attendees in the largest fleet and adding 1. This should be calculated for each individual sailor missing to give a team score of six results to count.
- 1.2.5 The team with the lowest combined score will win.
- 1.2.6 In the event of a tie, each team's scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point(s) where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favour of the team(s) with the best score(s). If a tie remains between two or more teams, they shall be ranked in order of their scores in the last race. Any remaining ties shall be broken by using the tied teams' scores in the next-to-last race and so on until all ties are broken. These scores shall be used even if some of them are discarded scores.
- 1.2.7 For the purposes of the Champions Cup, sailors that are 15 and 16 years old (U17 on 31st December 2023) may sail within the 6.8 or 7.8 Techno fleet and will score points for their team within the Champions Cup for the fleet in which they enter and sail but will only be scored in the 7.8 fleet for the National Championships (the 6.8 Class Rules state that sailors must be U15 on 31st December 2023). Sailors that are under 15 years of age on the 31st of December 2023 racing in the 6.8 fleet will also be eligible and will also be scored for the 6.8 Techno National Championships in addition to the Champions Cup.

2 PRIZES

- 2.1 All competitors are automatically entered into the UKWA National Championships. Individual National Championship prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers and will normally be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Boy and 1st, 2nd and 3rd Girl in each fleet. This may be adjusted for small fleets (there are no individual Champions Cup prizes).
- 2.2 The Champions Cup will be awarded as specified above.