

The Organizing Authority is Largs Sailing Club Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to dinghies and catamarans that are helmed by members of Largs Sailing Club whose membership falls into the categories stated below:
- a) Individual Members
 - b) Family Members
 - c) Junior Members
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the paper or electronic entry form available from the RO prior to the start of each days racing. Dinghies and catamarans shall compete as a single Handicap class.
- 2.3 Entry to a race may be made at any time prior to the first warning signal for that race.

3 FEES

3.1 For eligible members of Largs Sailing Club no entry fee is payable.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 The series racing is scheduled to take place on Sunday Mornings split into four series with racing taking place on the dates listed below;

Series Name	Spring Series	Summer Early Series	Summer Late Series	Autumn Series
Dates	8 th April 2018 15 th April 2018 22 nd April 2018 29 th April 2018 6 th May 2018 13 th May 2018	27 th May 2018 3 rd June 2018 10 th June 2018 17 th June 2018 24 th June 2018 1 st July 2018	15 th July 2018, 22 nd July 2018, 29 th July 2018, 5 th August 2018, 12 th August 2018 19 th August 2018	9 th September 2018 23 rd September 2018 30 th September 2018 7 th October 2018 14 nd October 2018 21 th October 2018

- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is **14:00**.
- 4.3 Up to two races will be scheduled to take place each day, and the warning signal for the second race will be immediately after the first race has completed.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Largs Sailing Club website www.largssc.co.uk

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The Venue will be Largs Sailing Club, located in Largs Yacht Haven.
- 6.2 The Race Area will be the Largs Channel

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses are described in Appendix A to the Sailing Instructions.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
 - a) When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b) When from 3 to 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score
 - c) When from 6 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores
 - d) When more than 9 races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
- 8.2 Finishing positions shall take account of the number of laps actually sailed, and results shall be calculated on an 'average lap time' basis, using the Portsmouth Yardstick rating system.
- 8.3 If conditions dictate the Race Committee may, at their discretion, take the results of a race from the times recorded for a previous round.
- 8.4 When carrying out Race Officer, Assistant Race Officer or Safety Boat duty, competitors will be awarded average points (excluding discards) for the races that are missed because of those duties.
 - a) Competitors shall not receive average points for more than 4 races per Series.
 - b) Where more than four races in a series are missed because of duties Competitors shall be scored as Did Not Start.

9 PRIZES

- 9.1 For each series prizes will be awarded;
 - a) to the three highest placed boats,
 - b) to the highest placed boat where all members of the crew are under 16 and 18 years of age on the date of the last race of the series,
 - c) to the highest placed boat in any class where more than three boats of the same class have started every race in the series, unless they have already received a prize.
- 9.2 The race committee reserve the right not to award prizes if there are insufficient boats entered in any class for any series, and may decide to award additional prizes.

10 MEASUREMENT

- 10.1 Each boat shall comply with their class rules in regard to measurement.
- 10.2 It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that their boat remains compliant with their class/rating rules.

11 RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1 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;
- 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.

12 INSURANCE

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

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 Further Information can be found on the Largs Sailing Club website: <http://www.largssc.co.uk>