

Felpham Youth Regatta 2019
Wednesday 24th July to Saturday 27th July
Organising Authority: Felpham Sailing Club (FSC)
NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*. FSC implements the RYA Racing Charter.
- 1.2 Sailors participating in Felpham Youth Regatta do so understanding that the event is intended primarily as a learning experience. The Organising Authority will make decisions concerning the management of the regatta that ensure the greatest number of sailors have equal opportunity to learn and develop their sailing ability.
- 1.3 Racing rules 40 and 61.1 will be changed. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Entry is open to all competitors sailing monohull dinghies, whose age is under 19 on the 31st of August 2019.
- 2.2 All boats shall be able to be identified by having unique sail designations.

3. Racing Schedule:

- 3.1 Sailors must register as part of FYR.
- 3.2 There shall be a briefing for all sailors each day at 13:00 in the clubhouse.
- 3.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal for the first race each day is 13:25, save that races may be brought forward to the morning session depending on the expected sailing conditions for the afternoon.
- 3.4 Eight races are scheduled to be completed over the week.

4. Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 SIs will be available on paper during registration, and will be made available on the Felpham Sailing Club website at least one week prior to the regatta.

5. Venue

- 5.1 The racing is based at Felpham Sailing Club, Blakes Road, Felpham, PO22 7EE.

6. Penalty system

- 6.1 The Exoneration Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available during this event. The Exoneration Penalty shall be 30%.

7. Insurance

- 7.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident that is valid for this event and those sailing the boat.

8. Risk statement

- 8.1 RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- 8.2 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 accordingly 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 omission;
- (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.

- 8.3 Coaches shall ensure that skippers, crews and their parents or guardians are fully aware and conscious of this risk statement and the actual and potential risks including drowning, hypothermia and other physical injuries including head injuries.

9. Supporting Information

- 9.1 Prizes will be awarded as detailed in the sailing instructions.
- 9.2 Results will be posted on the www.felphamsailingclub.co.uk
- 9.3 Competitors, parents and guardians shall accept that photographs of their boat and its crew may be taken whilst attending this event and shall automatically grant the Organising Authority the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, without compensation. Any competitors who have a problem with this instruction are advised to contact the organizers in confidence.

10. Boats and Competitors in Difficulty

- 10.1 When the race committee considers that a boat or competitor is in difficulty it may instruct the boat or competitor to accept outside help, retire or sail ashore. Competitors shall obey such instructions from boats acting as safety boats.