

Leader Class National Championships
Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 June
Reading Sailing Club
Sonning Eye
RG4 6TT

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

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

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Leader class who are members of the Leader Class Association.

5 FEES

5.1 The entry fee will be £30 per boat

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration will be from 1100 to 1230

7.4 There will be 5 races scheduled for the regatta.

Saturday 5 September - 2 Races

Sunday 6 September - 3 Races

7.5 The scheduled warning signals for each day are:

Race 1, Saturday 5 September 1315

Race 3, Sunday 6 September 1020

8 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat should be constructed and rigged in the spirit of the Measurement and Buoyancy rules laid down by the Leader Class Association. A valid measurement certificate will not be required. In the case of a dispute over a possible advantage gain due to changes in construction or rigging then the class rules will be applied.

11 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be determined by the race committee, they will use a number of fixed marks in approximate positions as shown on the diagram in the sailing instructions plus any number of temporary marks.

13 SCORING

13.2 1 race is required to constitute a series

13.3 (a) when fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) 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.

20 RISK STATEMENT

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 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;

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per incident or the equivalent.

22 RULES DISPUTES

The Exoneration Penalty [and the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration] of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available.