



Notice of Race

2017 J80 Class Open National Championship

Friday 16th – Sunday 18th June 2017

Hosted by the Royal Southern Yacht Club.

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Southern Yacht Club (RSrNYC) in conjunction with the UK J/80 Class Association.

All times are British Summer Time (BST).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- a. The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020*.
- b. The National Authority (RYA) prescriptions will apply.
<http://www.rya.org.uk/SiteCollectionDocuments/Racing/RacingInformation/RacingRules/RYA%20Prescriptions%202017.pdf>
- c. Boats shall comply with the J/80 Class Rules. [DP]
- d. Personal Floatation Devices (PFDs), J/80 Class Rule C5.2. (a) (x). All PFDs carried on board shall have at least 150N buoyancy. [DP]
- e. Associated British Ports Southampton harbour byelaws 2003. [DP]
http://www.southamptonvts.co.uk/admin/content/files/PDF_Downloads/Soton%20Byelaws.pdf
- f. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- a. Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the J/80 Class Rules.
- b. Boats may also be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]
- c. Bow numbers will be supplied and affixed to each boat. [DP]

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- a. The Championship is open to the members of J/80 Class as defined by the J/80 Class Rule.
- b. Entries will only be accepted via the event website: <https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/Afloat/2017/J-80-Nationals>
- c. The closing date for entries is 23:59 on Friday 2nd June 2017.
- d. When entries or entry fees are received after the closing date they may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

4. FEES

- a. The entry fee per boat will be GB £150 for entries received before 23:59 hrs on 2nd June 2017.
- b. Entries, if accepted, received later than the closing date of 2nd June will be charged GB £200.
- c. Entry fees will not be refunded after entry closing date.
- d. The entry fee includes:
 - i. Cranage for launching and lifting the boat
 - ii. Berth in Prince Philip Yacht Haven during the event
 - iii. Trailer storage during the event

5. REGISTRATION

All boats shall complete registration before racing, including the following:

- a. To provide a completed sail declaration form
- b. To provide a completed crew declaration form
- c. Completing the crew weighing in accordance with Class Rule C4.1.



- d. Providing proof of insurance cover as per NOR 17.

6. SCHEDULE

The intended schedule is as follows:

Date:	Event:
Friday 16 th June Portsmouth LW 08:37 1.3m / HW 15:23 4.1M	Registration and crew weighing 8:30 – 11:30 Competitors briefing 11:45 Racing: First warning signal 13:25 (2 races) Dockside refreshments after racing
Saturday 17 th June Portsmouth LW 09:33 1.4m / HW 16:20 4.1M	Late registration and crew weighing 08:00 – 08:30 Racing: First warning signal 10:25 (4 races) Dockside refreshments after racing
Sunday 18 th June Portsmouth LW 10:40 1.5m / HW 17:27 4.1m	Racing: First warning signal 10:25 (3 races) Dockside refreshments and Prize Giving after racing

- It is intended to complete up to 9 races.
- It is intended that there will be no more than four races a day, however, additional races may be sailed on any day in order to complete the programme if weather or other reasons dictate. Further details of the schedule will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.
- No warning signal will be displayed after 15:30 on Sunday 18th June unless there is a postponement or one or more general recalls during a start sequence.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be published on the RSrNYC event page website by Monday 12th June 2017.

8. RACE AREA

The racing area will be in the Central Solent.



9. THE COURSES

The courses will be windward / leeward using laid inflatable marks with a target time of 60 minutes for each race. Further details will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

10. SCORING

- Three (3) races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- Nine (9) races are scheduled.
- When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst.



- d. When nine (9) races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race score excluding her worst two scores.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

- a. Coach and support boats must be registered during registration times with the OA prior to acting as a coach or support boat. [DP]
- b. All registered coach and support boats shall carry on board and operate while on the water a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF channels and agree to assist the Race Committee if directed to do so. [DP]
- c. Specific coach and support boat instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions. [DP]

12. BERTHING, HAULING OUT AND DIVING

- a. Berthing is available during the championship at the RSrNYC Prince Philip Yacht Haven. Please contact the RSrNYC sailing office for further details.
- b. Boats shall not be hauled out between 18:00 on Friday 16th June until the completion of the final race, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the RC. [DP]
- c. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around competitor's boats between 18:00 on Friday 16th June until the completion of the final race. [DP]

13. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. [DP]

14. PRIZE GIVING AND TROPHIES

- a. The event main prize giving will be held on Sunday 18th June after racing.
- b. The J/80 Class Open National Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.
- c. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

15. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

Competitors automatically grant to the OA, 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.

16. INSURANCE

Each Participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3 million per event or equivalent.

17. 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 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 if any and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be 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 or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

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