



**2024 Noble Marine RS100, RS300 and RS600 National
Championships
Thursday 12th to Sunday 15th September 2024
Hosted by Eastbourne Sovereign Sailing Club**

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Eastbourne Sovereign Sailing Club in conjunction with the RS Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at:

<https://www.rs100.org/championships/index.asp?eid=2490&pg=edit-content&pgid=661>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official noticeboard is located in the club house.
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the RS100, RS300 and RS600 classes.
- 4.2 The helm must be a full member of the RS Class Association.
- 4.3 Boats unavailable for the whole event may enter for weekend only (Sat 14 and Sun 15 Sept).
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter online at:

RS100: <https://www.rs100.org/championships/index.asp?pg=Home&eid=2490>

RS300: <https://www.rs300.org/championships/index.asp?eid=2490>

RS600: <https://www.rs600.org/championships/index.asp?eid=2490>

until online entry closes at 0001 Fri 6 Sept. Entries after this date can be made on paper at registration.

- 4.5 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

- 4.6 Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form. This can be downloaded from the RS Class Association website here:
<https://www.rs100.org/documents/p1hhcqb77i1ncm12de1jue1u1qfp43.pdf>

The form should be completed and handed in at registration.

- 4.7 No entries will be accepted after 1100 on Thurs 12 Sept for the full event or after 1000 on Sat 14 Sept for the weekend.

5 FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

Category	Early online entry fee	Standard online entry fee
	until 0001 Thurs 18 July 2024	until 0001 Fri 6 Sept 2024
Full event	£195.00	£235.00
Youth full event	£185.00	£225.00
Weekend	£97.50	£117.50

On paper entry will be available at registration but will be subject to £10 late fee for full event and £5 late fee for weekend event.

Youth is aged 22 or under at the start of the championship.

Entry fee includes council car parking ticket.

6 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration Wed 11 Sept 1700-1830, Thurs 12 Sept 0830-1100, Sat 14 Sept 0830-1000 in the clubhouse.
- 7.2 A briefing will be held at 1100 on Thurs 12 Sept on the clubhouse patio. A briefing will be held at 1000 on Sat 14 Sept on the clubhouse patio for weekend only competitors.
- 7.3 Racing:

The number of races and time of first warning signal scheduled each day is as follows:

Date	Time of first warning signal	# Races
Thurs 12 Sept	1225	2 races
Fri 13 Sept	1055	3 races
Sat 14 Sept	1055	3 races
Sun 15 Sept	1025	2 races

- 7.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules.

- 8.2 When RS Class Association-approved scales are provided at the event, competitors in classes with performance equalisation shall be measured in accordance with the Class Rules before racing in the event but not more than 24 hours before the first scheduled start. The measurements and the corresponding rack and corrector weight settings shall be recorded on the form provided, available to view by all competitors, and will apply for the duration of the event. If a helm or crew is substituted during the event, the new sailor will be measured before racing and the boat's rack and corrector weight settings adjusted and recorded to suit.

9 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

RRS 40.1 (Personal Flotation Devices) shall apply at all times while afloat.

10 VENUE

The sailing area will be South East of the sailing club approximately 1NM offshore.

11 COURSES

The courses and starting systems will be defined in the Sailing Instructions. The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward for RS100, and Trapezoid for RS300 and RS600.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for all fleets.
- 14.2 The Post Race Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the official notice board for details. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

This changes RRS A2.

14 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 14.1 [DP] Support Person Vessels shall be marked with a blue flag.
- 14.2 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay 150m outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 14.3 When the engine of a support vessel is running, all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

15 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

16 MEDIA RIGHTS

By entering the event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority 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.

17 DATA PROTECTION

The RS Class Association Data Protection Policy is available on the RS Class Association website.

18 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is 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 or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

19 INSURANCE

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

20 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded, dependent on entry numbers and at the discretion of the organising authority, as follows:

RS100 National Champion

RS100 1st – 5th

RS100 1st Silver

RS100 1st Master (55 years old or over at start of the Championship)

RS100 1st Youth (aged 22 or under at start of the Championship)

RS100 Fidelis Trophy (1st helm outside main prizes who has competed in at least 3 previous RS100 nationals)

RS100 Endeavour (highest score having completed all races)

RS100 1st Weekend (weekend entry boat with lowest total race score from races completed across Sat 14th Sept and Sun 15th Sept 2024)

The overall winner of the RS100 Championship fleet series will be awarded the first placed keeper prize. The first UK boat will be awarded the title National Champion(s) and the National Champion trophy.

RS300 National Champion

RS300 1st – 5th

RS300 1st Silver

RS300 1st Master (50 years old or over at start of the Championship outside main prizes)

RS300 1st Apprentice (1st helm at their first RS300 Nats)

RS300 1st Lightweight (1st helm less than 75kg)

RS300 1st Youth (aged 22 or under at start of the Championship)

RS300 Fidelis Trophy (1st helm outside main prizes who has competed in at least 3 previous RS300 nationals)

RS300 A rig

RS300 Endeavour (highest score having completed all races)

RS300 1st Weekend (weekend entry boat with lowest total race score from races completed across Sat 14th Sept and Sun 15th Sept 2024)

The overall winner of the RS300 Championship fleet series will be awarded the first placed keeper prize. The first UK boat will be awarded the title National Champion(s) and the National Champion trophy.

RS600 National Champion

RS600 1st – 5th

RS600 1st Silver

RS600 1st Bronze

RS600 1st Probationer (1st time trapezing at a Nationals in any boat)

RS600 1st Youth (aged 22 or under at start of the Championship)

RS600 1st Master (45 years old or over at start of the Championship)

RS600 1st Grandmaster (RS600 committee will declare age eligibility criteria at event start depending on the age range of competitors)

RS600 Endeavour (highest score having completed all races)

RS600 1st Weekend (weekend entry boat with lowest total race score from races completed across Sat 14th Sept and Sun 15th Sept 2024)

The overall winner of the RS600 Championship fleet series will be awarded the first placed keeper prize. The first UK boat will be awarded the title National Champion(s) and the National Champion trophy.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact

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END OF NOTICE OF RACE