

**Volvo Noble Marine**  
**RS700 RS800 National Championships 2017**  
**Hosted by Stokes Bay Sailing Club**

Organising Authority – Stokes Bay SC in conjunction with the  
UK RS700 and RS800 Class Association

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The International RS Class Associations Rules will apply.
- 1.3 The racing rules will be changed as follows:
  - Rule 31 changed so that marks other than starting and finishing marks may be touched without penalty.
  - Rule 32 changed to allow the race to be shortened at the Committee Boat on station at the finish.
  - Rule 35 changed to score boats finishing outside the time limit in their observed position on the course.
  - Rule 40 changed so that personal Floatation Devices must be worn at all times while afloat.
  - Rule 44 for certain classes the two turn penalty may be changed to a one turn penalty.
  - Rule 63.1 changed so that for breaking certain rules boats can be disqualified without a hearing.The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

**2 ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

**3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 UK RS Class Association rules for membership to be eligible to compete in this event shall apply.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter on-line at:
  - RS700: <http://www.rs700.org/championships/cindex.asp?eid=1464>
  - RS800: <http://www.rs800.org/championships/cindex.asp?eid=1487>
- 3.3 Online entry will close at 0001hrs Mon 18 Sept. Entry will then need to be made in paper at registration at Stokes Bay SC either Wed 20 Sept evening or Thurs 21 Sept morning. No entries will be accepted after registration closes at 1130hrs Thursday 21 Sept.
- 3.4 Any competitors who are aged under 18 shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form. This can be downloaded from the 'Document' area of the UK RS Class Association websites and should be completed and handed in at the event.

## 4 FEES

4.1 Entry fees per boat are as follows:

<i>Entry Type:</i>		<i>Spring</i>	<i>Summer</i>
Online entry deadline:		21 June	18 Sept
<b>RS700</b>	Standard	£115 or €129	£145 or €163
	Youth helm	£105 or €118	£135 or €152
	Weekend only entry	£58 or €65	£73 or €82
<b>RS800</b>	Standard	£135 or €151	£165 or €185
	Youth helm	£125 or €140	£155 or €174
	Weekend only entry	£68 or €76	£83 or €93

4.2 Youth entry is for helms aged 22 or under at 1 January 2017.

## 5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration will be between 1400 hrs and 1800hrs on Wed 20 Sept, and between 0900hrs and 1130hrs on Thurs 21 Sept in the club room on the first floor.

5.2 Dates of racing, number of races, and first scheduled warning signal:

Thurs 21 Sept	2 races	first warning signal 1255hrs
Fri 22 Sept	3 races	first warning signal 1055hrs
Sat 23 Sept	3 races	first warning signal 1055hrs
Sun 24 Sept	2 races	first warning signal 1025hrs

## 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

## 7 VENUE

7.1 The course area will be within a 3 mile radius of the Clubhouse.

7.2 Venue information is available on-line at: <http://www.stokesbay-sc.co.uk/index.php>

## 8 THE COURSES

8.1 Standard RS Courses will be sailed. Details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions available at registration.

## 9 SCORING

9.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 9.2
- (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 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.

- 9.3 Points will accrue to the registered helm and crew and not the entered boat. The registered helm and crew may swap roles without restriction

## **10 SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL**

- 10.1 All support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with event support boat regulations.
- 10.2 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **11 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 11.1 A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

## **12 PRIZES**

- 12.1 The overall winners of the Championship fleet series will be awarded the first place trophy and the title National Champion(s).

## **13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **14 INSURANCE**

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

## **15 RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHT**

- 15.1 In participating in this event, any competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the Nationals and International Class Associations permission to make, use, and show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation.

## **16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 16.1 For further information please contact Clare Sargent on [clare@rs-association.com](mailto:clare@rs-association.com) or 07857 978670.