



NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by the Royal Lymington Yacht Club (RLymYC) and the Lymington Town Sailing Club (LTSC).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Safety Regulations, Appendix SR of this notice of race shall apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available from the Official Notice Board (online) at least 24 hours before the first race of the series.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board will be located at <http://www.rlymyc.org.uk/ldr2024>
- 3.2. The Event Messaging System will be via Telegram messaging system to mobile numbers provided by competitors for communications specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 3.3. A boat that retires from a race shall make every effort to inform the Race Committee as soon as practical.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1. Entries shall be made by the date specified and accompanied by any fees due, via <https://ltscvisitor.eharbours.co.uk/> Competitors will need to log in, then go to 'Sailing Bookings'. Non-members need to select for entry and LHC disc.

4.2. All boats shall hold adequate insurance and in particular hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3.0 million.

4.3. The event is open to the following boats:

Class Name	PY Range	Races per day	Proposed Course	Min No of Entries for class start	Max No of Entries, all fleets
Fast Handicap*	Up to 960	2	Windward-Leeward	8	120 total
Medium Handicap*	961-1150	2	Trapezoid	8	
Slow Handicap*	1151-1400	2	Trapezoid	8	
Lightning 368 (Sea Championships)		2	Trapezoid	8	
RS Aero 5/6/7/9		3	Trapezoid	8	
RS500 (Rooster National Tour)		3	Windward-Leeward	8	
RS700 (Rooster National Tour)		3	Windward-Leeward	8	
RS800 (Rooster National Tour)		3	Windward-Leeward	8	
Musto Skiff (Southern Tour)		3	Windward-Leeward	8	

* The sailing instructions may amend the rating/handicap range for each class.

4.4. Classes may be started together to minimise delays between races, even if each class has reached the minimum number of entries to constitute a class. The intention is to start a maximum of 4 classes or combined classes on each of the 2 course areas, per race.

4.5. The race committee may assign boats to a particular handicap class at its complete discretion. This may reduce the number of races for that boat. When the handicap of a boat is changed during a series, the boat shall not be compelled to change class after the completion of her first race.

4.6. Entries will be open after 7 April 2024 to non-members of LTSC, RLymYC and KYC.

4.7. Entries will be accepted up to 11:00 on Saturday 1 June. Entries for Sunday only will be accepted up to 09:30 on 2 June. Online entry may be closed at or before 16:00 on Friday 31 May; entries after this time if accepted will need to be made on a paper entry form at registration.

4.8. Entry is not confirmed until payment of fees has been received in full. If entry is over-subscribed, priority will be given to boats that have paid their fees.

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- 4.9. Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form on the RLymYC website here: <https://rlymyc.org.uk/afloat/u18consent>
- 4.10. The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.11. Should the Organising Authority cancel the event before the weekend of the regatta or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee paid by the affected boat(s).

5. FEES

Entry for	Double-hander with Lymington Harbour Commission launching disc	Double-hander without Lymington Harbour Commission launching disc	Single-hander with Lymington Harbour Commission launching disc	Single-hander without Lymington Harbour Commission launching disc
Weekend entry, before 6 May 2024	£28	£48	£23	£39
Weekend entry, on or after 6 May 2024	£43	£63	£30	£54
One day entry, before 6 May 2024	£18	£30	£14	£25
One day entry, on or after 6 May 2024	£25	£37	£22	£33

6. [Not applicable]

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8. [Not applicable]

9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1. The event is scheduled as follows:

Race Date	No. of Races Scheduled each day*	Total number of Scheduled Races	Scheduled Time of 1 st Warning Signal
Saturday 1 June	3 for RS Aero, RS500, RS700, RS800, Musto Skiff 2 for all other classes	6 for RS Aero, RS500, RS700, RS800, Musto Skiff	13:00
Sunday 2	3 for RS Aero, RS500, RS700,		10:30

June	RS800, Musto Skiff 2 for all other classes	4 for all other classes	
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* Up to 1 additional race may be sailed each day in an endeavour to achieve the original total number of scheduled races in the series.

- 9.2. Registration is from 09:00 to 11:00 on Saturday 1 June and 09:00 to 09:30 on Sunday 2 June at LTSC.
- 9.3. There will be a competitor briefing at 11:15 on Saturday 1 June in the LTSC upstairs bar.
- 9.4. On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 15:00. The prizegiving will be as soon as possible after racing on Sunday 13 August in the LTSC upstairs bar.

10. EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1. Race Officials may inspect any boat at their discretion. Competitors shall comply with any reasonable instruction to facilitate equipment inspection.
- 10.2. The Race Committee may stop a boat launching, or require it to return to shore, if the race committee consider that the boat, its equipment and/or crew are not adequate for the likely conditions.

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 11.1. Boats shall carry an adequate personal flotation device (PFD) for each person on board as specified by the entry form, Safety Regulations or Sailing Instructions

12. VENUE AND COURSE AREA

- 12.1. The venue will be the Lymington Town Sailing Club, Bath Road, Lymington, SO41 3SE and the Royal Lymington Yacht Club, Bath Road, Lymington, SO41 3SE.
- 12.2. The course areas will be The Western Solent.

13. COURSES

- 13.1. Courses will be: Windward/Leeward, Trapezoid, or other shape around buoys laid for the event.
- 13.2. The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2 or specified in the rule itself, the penalty may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.
- 14.2. For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty (one tack and one gybe).

15. SCORING

- 15.1. The minimum number of races to constitute a series is 1.
- 15.2. The number of counted races and excluded races will be as follows:

Number of Completed Races	No. of Races to be excluded to determine a boat's score
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3 or fewer	0
4 or more	1

- 15.3. For classes using the RYA Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme, the handicap number for each boat will be allocated by the race committee and may not be the same for all races.
- 15.4. The RS Aero class will be scored as a handicap class using Portsmouth Yardstick numbers to be allocated by the race committee based on the sail size specified on the entry form.
- 15.5. Boats that can race with different sail sizes (e.g. RS Aero 5/6/7/9, RS Tera Sport/Pro, ILCA 4/6/7) shall specify on their entry form the largest sail size to be used during the regatta and be scored with the Portsmouth Yardstick corresponding to that sail size for each race even if a smaller sail is used. Larger sails may not be used.

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1. The Race Committee may issue a flag with vertical red and white stripes to support vessels. Personnel on vessels displaying this flag may offer verbal assistance to boats racing in the Slow Handicap class only. RRS 41 and 48 are changed to permit this outside help. A support vessel shall not interfere with boats racing or official vessels.

17. [Not applicable]

18. [Not applicable]

19. [Not applicable]

20. [Not applicable]

21. DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1. The use of any personal data shall comply with current legislation. Further information can be found at [Club Data Policy](#).

22. RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1. Rule 3 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 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 and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

22.2. The fact that Race Officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out the rules of the event.

23. INSURANCE

23.1. All boats shall hold adequate insurance and, in particular, hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3.0 million per incident or the equivalent.

24. PRIZES

24.1. Prizes may be specified in the event sailing instructions.

25. AMENDMENTS TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

25.1. This notice of race may be changed or supplemented by the entry form or by a notice posted on the official notice board.

Further Information

All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.

NOTICE OF RACE - APPENDIX SR - SAFETY REGULATIONS

SR1.1. Dinghies shall comply with their class rules.

SR1.2. The personal flotation devices carried for each person on board shall conform to ISO 12402 (or equivalent) and have a minimum Level of 50N and be of the appropriate size.

ENTRY FORM

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The complete Notice of Race for this event is a combination of the Notice of Race, Appendix SR Safety Regulations and this Entry Form.

Please accept the following entry:

Boat Name: _____ Sail Number: _____

Boat Type/Class: _____ PY Rating: _____

Entered By (see RRS 75.1): _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Mobile Number for contact during the Event: _____

Will any Person in Charge (see RRS 46) be under 18? No Yes

If this boat wins a prize, it should be awarded to: _____

Your Club: _____

I have read, understood and accept the provisions in the notice of race including this entry form and I agree to be bound by the rules that apply to this event and agree that my boat will conform to the requirements set out in the notice of race throughout the event.

If the Person in Charge will be under 18 years of age at any time while racing, then a 'Junior Consent Form' is required to be signed by their legal parent or guardian for this entry to be valid. If under 8 years of age, endorsement of capability to race from the General Committee is also required. Only one consent form or endorsement is required per person in any one calendar year.

I specifically confirm that I have read and understood the Safety Regulations that apply to this event as specified in Appendix SR of this Notice of Race and I, my crew and our support persons understand that our personal data may be used for the purposes of the event and the application of the rules. Further information can be found at [Club Data Policy](#)

Signature: _____ Age (if under 18): _____ Date: _____

IF UNDER 18 ENSURE THAT CONSENT FORM IS ON FILE