



Notice of Race

2017 J/80 Class World Championships

Friday 7th – Friday 14th July 2017

Hosted by the Royal Southern Yacht Club.

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

All times are British Summer Time (BST).

1. RULES

- a. The championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020*.
- b. Boats shall comply with the J/80 Class Rules.
- c. Personal Floatation Devices (PFDs), J/80 Class Rule C5.2. (a) (x). All PFDs carried on board shall meet the minimum Level 50. Standards applicable to this level; EN 393 or ISO 12402 – 5.
- d. 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 Class Rules (C2.1). Boats may also be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority.
- b. Bow numbers will be supplied by the Organising Authority and affixed to each boat.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- a. The Regatta is open only to the Members of J/80 Class as defined by the J/80 Class Rule (C3.3).
- b. Entries will only be accepted via the event website: www.j80worlds2017.com
- c. The closing time/date for entries is 23:59 on Friday 12th May 2017.

4. FEES

- a. The entry fee for the event is £265.00.
- b. When Entries or Entry Fees are received after Friday 12th May 2017 they may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority and will be subject to an additional £110.00.
- 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 marina during the event
 - iii. Trailer storage and car parking during the event
 - iv. Welcome party tickets for each crew member
 - v. Refreshments after racing
 - vi. Daily Prize Givings

5. REGISTRATION

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

- a. Crew weighing in accordance with Class Rule C4.1.
- b. Providing a completed boat measurement form (Class Rule Appendix H.6)
- c. Providing a completed sail measurements form
- d. Completing the J/80 Owner Regatta Declaration (Class Rule Appendix Part III H.4).

6. SCHEDULE

The intended schedule is as follows:

Date:	Event:
Friday 7 th July	Equipment inspections 11:00 – 17:30 Registration 12:00 – 18:00
Saturday 8 th July	Equipment inspections 09:00 – 17:30 Registration 10:00 – 18:00
Sunday 9 th July	Equipment inspections 09:00 – 17:30 Crew weighing 09:00 – 17:00 Registration 09:00 – 18:00 Competitors Briefing and Welcome Party 19:00
Monday 10 th July HW Portsmouth 12:57 4.4m	Racing: First warning signal 11:25
Tuesday 11 th July HW Portsmouth 13:31 4.5m	Racing: First warning signal 11:25
Wednesday 12 th July HW Portsmouth 14:00 4.4m	Racing: First warning signal 11:25
Thursday 13 th July HW Portsmouth 14:36 4.4m	Racing: First warning signal 11:25 Crew Dinner – details to be confirmed
Friday 14 th July HW Portsmouth 15:12 4.4m	Racing: First warning signal 10:55 Evening: Prize Giving 18:00

- It is intended to complete up to 15 races.
- It is intended that there will be no more than four races a day, however, additional races may be sailed either in advance or arrears in order to complete the programme if weather or other reasons dictate.
- No warning signal will be displayed after 15:30 on Friday 14th July unless there is a postponement or one or more general recalls during a start sequence.

7. BOAT MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTIONS

- Competitors shall be allocated a date and time for weighing of the boat and sail measurement. All boats shall be made available accompanied by two owner's representatives during their scheduled boat weighing and sail measurement allocations.
- All sails shall be measured and carry royalty tags as detailed in the Class Rules (G2.2 and G2.3) PRIOR to the event.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be published on the RSrNYC event page website before Monday 3rd July 2017.

9. RACE AREA

The racing area will be the Central Solent and it takes approximately 30 minutes to sail to the race area from the RSrNYC.

10. THE COURSES

The courses will be windward / leeward using laid inflatable marks. Further details will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PROTESTS AND PENALTY SYSTEM

- Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.
- The first two sentences of rule 44.1 will be changed by the sailing instructions to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

12. SCORING

The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply with the following changes:

- Five races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- One discard will be allowed if six to thirteen races are completed.
- Two discards will be allowed if fourteen or more races are completed.

13. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.
- b. Trackers or other electronic equipment may be provided by the Organising Authority and shall be used in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

- a. Coach and support boats must be registered with the Organising Authority prior to acting as a coach or support boat. Coach and support boats shall register with the Organising Authority at the Regatta Office during registration times. Coach and support boats shall display identifying flags, issued by the Organising Authority.
- b. The registration fee per boat is £60 to be paid at time of registration.
- c. 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.
- d. Competitors shall have no communication with, and boats shall not be tied to, coach or support boats from the first Warning Signal on each race day until racing has been concluded for the day. Between races, coach and support boats shall not approach, communicate with or transfer provisions or equipment to or from their support boats.
- e. Specific coach and support boat instructions will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

15. BERTHING, HAULING OUT AND DIVING

- a. Boats shall be berthed during the championship at the RSrNYC Prince Philip Yacht Haven from 17:30 on Sunday 9th July until the completion of the final race.
- b. Boats shall not be hauled out during this time, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
- c. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats during this time.

16. PRIZE GIVING

The event main prize giving will be held on Friday 14th July after racing. Prizes shall be awarded to the top 5 boats.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

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.

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall ensure that their boat is adequately insured, against all third party claims.

19. 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. They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

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