

RYA eSailing

Spring Class Championship 2020

The Organising Authority is the Royal Yachting Association

Combined Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing* dated 22nd January 2019
- 1.2 Rule infringements will be decided by the VR system and its decisions are final and are not appealable.

2. ENTRY & ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Entry is open to all RYA Affiliated Class Associations. Entry is free.
- 2.2 Class entries to be submitted to the RYA on the online entry form by 10th May 2020.
www.rya.org.uk/Pages/virtual-regatta.aspx
- 2.3 Class associations may impose their own eligibility requirements

3. FORMAT OF RACING

- 3.1 The Championship will consist of Class Championships with the Class Champions moving to the RYA eSailing UK Spring Class Championship Finals 2020.
- 3.2 Classes will run their own Class Championships.
- 3.3 Where necessary, the Finals will include qualifying series consisting of quarter-finals, semi-finals and final. Competitors will be randomly assigned to a quarter final.
- 3.4 Maximum number of competitors per race will be 20.
- 3.5 Each race must have a Race Organiser who will be one of the competitors.
- 3.6 Where entries exceed 20 the entries will be split and randomly assigned to groups for a qualifying round. The top 20 competitors will proceed through to the Class Final.
- 3.7 The Class Organiser will be responsible for collecting results and producing the overall Class results and submitting the details of the Class Champion to the RYA using the online form and within the Schedule in para 4.1.
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4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The Class Championship to be completed by 31st May 2020
- 4.2 Qualifying rounds (where required) will be held on 6th and 13th June 2020
- 4.3 The National Final for the 'Spring Class Championship' will be sailed on Saturday 20th June 2020
- 4.4 Times of the first start and the access code shall be advised by the Race Organizer the day prior to the first start.
- 4.5 Guidance notes are available on the RYA eSailing website for Class Organisers

5. EQUIPMENT

- 5.1 The equipment to be sailed will be the J70.
- 5.2 The class champion may choose to play in the regional & national final using either the clubs VIP account or their own personal account.

6. COURSE

The course will either be “Upwind Medium” or “Upwind Long” – both are a windward / leeward course with an offset mark and a downwind finish. TWO laps. The race target time range will be 5 to 8 minutes. See diagram below.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 7.2 FIVE races are required to be completed in each round.
- 7.3 TWO discards can be taken in the FIVE races.
- 7.4 Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.
- 7.5 For qualifying rounds RRS A4.2 is changed such that a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the largest group.

8. STARTING RACES

Races shall be started by using the following signals.

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
1:15	P and Virtual Regatta flag	One	Warning signal
1:00	P removed	One	Preparatory signal
0:00	Virtual Regatta flag removed	One	Starting signal

9. PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to the regional winners and the overall winner.

COURSE DIAGRAM

