



Enterprise UK National Championships 23rd to 26th May 2026 Hosted by South Shields Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by South Shields Sailing Club in conjunction with the Enterprise 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.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028.
- 1.2 The Organising Authority implements the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter. Competitors shall undertake to sail in accordance with the Charter.
- 1.3 The RYA Arbitration will be available.
- 1.4 RRS 63.5 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.5 Racing rules Race Signals 60.1, 63.5, A2 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 online at [Event: Enterprise Nationals 2026](#), and on the official notice board.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official noticeboard is located at [Event: Enterprise Nationals 2026](#).
The physical noticeboard will be in the wet room inside the clubhouse at South Shields Sailing Club.
- 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 Enterprise Class that are sailed by current members of the UK Class Association.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at [Enterprise Nationals Entry](#)
- 4.3 To be considered an entry, a boat shall have completed all required entry documentation, met all entry requirements (e.g. consent, class membership), and have paid fees in full.

- 4.4 Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete an Under 18s Consent Form. This can be downloaded from <https://sssc.myclubhouse.co.uk/Forms/Entry/PrintableBlank?formID=6> and should be completed and handed in at registration.
- 4.5 No entries will be accepted after 10:30 on 23rd May 2026.
- 4.6 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.7 Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 4.8 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

5 FEES

- 5.1 See entry form for fees.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 Class rules apply.
- 6.2 Each boat shall designate a person in charge in compliance with Rule 46. Substitution of competitors shall not be allowed without the prior approval of the race committee.

7 ADVERTISING

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

8 SCHEDULE

- 8.1 Registration Fri 22nd May 1600 to 1900, Sat 23rd May 0900 to 1030.
- 8.2 Briefing – A briefing will be held at 1030 on Saturday 23rd May.
- 8.3 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Sat 23 rd May	Races 1 & 2
Sun 24 th May	Races 3, 4, & 5
Mon 25 th May	Races 6 & 7
Tues 26 th May	Races 8 & 9

- 8.4 9 Races are scheduled.
- 8.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sat 23rd Mayst is 1255. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sun 24th is 1055. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the remaining days is 1155.
- 8.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1 Each boat shall have completed a self certification form(Appendix 1). On arrival the boat will be checked by the scrutineering team for compliance and signed off as appropriate. Scrutineering will be available from midday on Friday and will finish at 10.00 on Saturday. Boats arriving later will be allowed to race but run the risk of disqualification if they are found to be non compliant when checked after racing

- 9.2 Notwithstanding 9.1 above, any individual boat may be inspected again at any time.
- 9.3 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate if requested.
- 9.4 Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 when presented for inspection. [DP].
- 9.5 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

10 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

11 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be on the North Sea adjacent to the mouth of River Tyne, either in the adjacent bay to the north, or the adjacent bay to the south. If conditions dictate the Organising Authorities retain the right to run racing inside the harbour. See Figure 1 & Figure 2 below.

12 COURSES

- 12.1 The courses to be sailed will be triangle / sausage or sausage / triangle.
- 12.2 Line starts are intended, however the option to use gate starts will be available throughout the event.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS apply.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.2 (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

This changes RRS A2.

15 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 15.1 No support vessels will be permitted at this event.

16 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

17 BERTHING

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

18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

19 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

20 DATA PROTECTION

The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the Organising Authority's privacy policy (see <https://www.myclubhouse.co.uk/SSSC/PrivacyPolicy>). When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

21 USE OF IMAGES

- 21.1 The Class Association may arrange for images or videos to be taken at the event and published for publicity or training purposes on the internet, social media channels or in print.
- 21.2 By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees to the use of images for this purpose, and they agree to assign any right of ownership of these images to the Class Association.

22 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.

23 INSURANCE

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

24 PRIZES

The Class Association will award the usual National trophies. Details to be confirmed.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

South Shields Sailing Club at sssccommittee@gmail.com



Figure 1 - Location of South Shields Sailing Club



Figure 2- Sailing Area

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Appendix 1

Name of Helm:				Sail Number:		
Enterprise UK National Championship 2026 South Shields Sailing Club						
Scrutineering Form						
<p>This year's scrutineering will run as follows...</p> <p>In order to minimise the risk of last minute panic, competitors are required to carry out the checks detailed below, to the best of their ability, in advance of arriving at the event in order to remedy any issues in advance. They will then be checked by the scrutineering team on arrival at South Shields.</p> <p>Please note that the Championship Committee may also choose to perform "spot check" scrutineering at any time during the week, and if you fail any of the checks at this point, you'll score a DSQ for all races up to the point you rectify the situation.</p> <p>Please fill in this form, get it checked by the scrutineering team & return it to complete your registration.</p> <p>Please note that there will be members of the scrutineering team and experienced class members who can help you with this form at your club or at open meetings before the event. If you would like further assistance please contact Jeremy Stephens, UK Enterprise Class at jerstephens@msn.com</p>						
Check	Item	Rule	Criteria/Check	Self Check Result	Scrutineer Result	Pass / Fail
1	Correctors	5	Check that the number of correctors in the boat is as recorded on the certificate.			
2	Sails	5	Check that the sails to be used in this event have been measured and are recorded on the certificate.			
3	Jib Fairleads	18 B 10 b	Check the distance between the fairlead bearing surfaces: 1200mm min.			
4	Centreboard depth	11A	Check depth of centerboard below keel: 826mm max (excluding keel band).			
5	Centreboard handle	Plan sheet 7	Check centreboard handle length: 120mm min, 160mm max. Check that stops of rubber or similar material are fitted to the stop bolt.			
6	Mast Position	14 A 1	Check distance from transom to aft side of mast at deck level: 2689mm max, 2677mm min. (Note that 'deck level' will be above the top of the transom)			
7	Mast "black bands"	14 D a and b	Check that there are measurement bands, of contrasting colour with the mast, as follows: (a) No.1 the upper edge of which shall be not less than 431 mm above the top surface of the mast step; (b) No.2 the lower edge of which shall be not more than 6070 mm above the top surface of the mast step.			
8	Boom "black band"	17 D	Check that there is a measurement band of contrasting colour with the boom, with its forward edge not more than 2657 mm from the aft side of the mast.			
Scrutineered by (state your name):						