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WHITSTABLE YACHT CLUB

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RS Tera PRO & RS Tera Sport Open Meeting 8th – 9th July 2017 NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is Whitstable Yacht Club in association with the RS Tera Class Association UK.

RULES

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017 - 2020; the RYA prescriptions; RS Tera Class Association UK and the Sailing Instructions for the event.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The event is open to RS Tera PRO and RS Tera Sport dinghies. All boats must be paid up members of the RS Tera Class Association UK.

RISK STATEMENT

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:

- 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;
- they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event referred to in the Sailing Instructions and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue; and
- their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.

REGISTRATION

Competitors may register at Whitstable Yacht Club on Saturday 8th July 2017 from 0830hrs until 1100hrs.

PROGRAMME

There will be a briefing for competitors at 1030hrs on Saturday 8th July 2017 at WYC.

The first race Warning Signal will be no earlier than 1125hrs on 8th July 2017 and the first Warning Signal on Sunday 9th July will not be before 1125hrs.

6 races will be scheduled over the two-day event, 3 races are scheduled on Saturday and 3 on Sunday. Details of the schedule will be shown in the Sailing Instructions.

ADVERTISING

Advertising on the **boat** chosen by the owner or person in charge is prohibited.

SCORING SYSTEM

There are 6 races scheduled. The Low Points Scoring System, RRS A4 will apply. The number of discards will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be issued to competitors at registration at Whitstable Yacht Club.

The Sailing Instructions will vary the following Rules in accordance with RRS 86.1: 33 (changing the next leg of the course); 35 (time limits); 40 (personal floatation devices)

ENTRY

Entries must be made on the entry form at registration at Whitstable YC, accompanied by the entry fee of £35.00

SAFETY – TALLY SYSTEM

A tally system shall be in use. A tally number will be allocated to each boat at registration. All competitors shall tally out on the box provided, before launching and shall tally back in the appropriate box immediately after coming ashore, and certainly WITHIN 30 MINUTES OF THE FINISH OF THE LAST BOAT IN THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY. This procedure is for the safety of competitors, so that the organisers know who is afloat and ashore if an emergency arises.

The penalty for failing to comply with this sailing instruction may be disqualification or a contribution of £10 to the RNLI made before the end of the protest time, as provided for in Rule 64.1 (Penalties and exoneration).

COURSES

Courses will be set in Whitstable Bay, approximately North West of Whitstable Yacht Club.

MEASUREMENT CHECKS

Random checks may be made, at any time, on any competing boats, to ensure compliance with class measurement rules and other requirements under the Notice of Race.