

# **RS Tera Start of Season Championship**

# 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 **NOTICE OF RACE**

#### **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

Northampton Sailing Club in Conjunction with the RS Tera Class Association UK

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 2020
- 1.2 International RS Tera Class Rules will apply
- 1.3 Competitors shall sail in accordance with the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Racing Charter
- 1.4 Other than the matters included in this notice of race, no racing rule changes requiring advance preparation will apply. Racing rule changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

### 2. ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted in accordance with the class rules and ISAF Regulation 20.

Boats will be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority

The following parts of the hulls and sails must be left clear for the possible display of supplied advertising:

- i) the front 1m of the bow
- ii) the bottom 10% of the mainsail
- iii) the front 50cm of the boom nearest the mast

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Tera class
All competitors must be a current member of the RS Tera Class Association UK
Evidence of membership may be required at registration.
Eligible boats may enter by:

- (a) completing the on line entry form at www.uk.rstera.org
- (b) making the required entry fee payment
- (c) at registration supplying a completed Medical Information declaration (for all competitors) and a completed Parent's / Guardian consent form signed by the responsible parent or guardian. Forms are available for download at <a href="https://www.uk.rstera.org">www.uk.rstera.org</a>
- (d) all competitors must hold third party liability insurance valid in the United Kingdom reflecting a minimum of £2million

# 3.2 Entry Fee:

- £40.00 if received before midnight on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2017, thereafter £45.
- On line entry closes at midnight on Tuesday 18th April 2017
- Late entries may only be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority and if accepted will be subject to a supplementary fee of £10, i.e. £55 in total, payable in cash.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

22<sup>nd</sup> April 09:00 to 10:30 Registration 10:30 Competitors Briefing

11:25 First warning Signal

23<sup>rd</sup> April 09:25 First Warning Signal

The Championship will consist of 8 races. The intention is that there will be no more than 4 races a day. However, additional races may be sailed either in advance or arears in order to complete the programme if weather or other reasons dictate.

The final day of racing will be 23rd April 2017, no warning signal will be made after 15:30 on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017.

At the Race Officers Discretion it is likely that all races during a day will be sailed without time to go ashore between races.

#### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration, posted on the official notice board and may be posted on the Northampton Sailing Club and / or UK RS Tera Class Association website within 2 weeks of the start of the event.

#### 6 RACE AREAS

Racing will be on Pitsford Reservoir.



#### 7 THE COURSES

The courses to be used will be presented to competitors at the competitors briefing and included in the Sailing Instructions.

#### 10 SCORING

The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.

#### 10.1 RACES REQUIRED TO CONSTITUTE A SERIES

1 race shall be completed to constitute a series.

#### 10.2 RACES TO COUNT FOR TOTAL SCORE

The total score for each yacht will be the sum of her scores as follows:

- (a) When up to 3 races are completed then all race scores shall count.
- (b) When between 4 and 6 races are completed then all race scores will count except her worst score.
- (c) When 7 or more races are completed then all race scores will count except her worst two scores
- (d) Points for the PRO and SPORT fleets shall be calculated separately.

#### 11 SUPPORT BOATS

No support boats other than those officially involved in the organisation of the event will be allowed to launch.

The official event photographer may move between the starting line and course marks in order to photograph the event, this boat will display a distinguishing flag.

# 12 BOATS AND TRAILER STORAGE

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park for the duration of the regatta unless instructed otherwise.

#### 13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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 telephones.

# 14 PRIZES

- (a) RS Tera PRO as a minimum dependent on number of entries 1st 3rd Overall
- (b) RS Tera SPORT as a minimum dependent on number of entries 1st 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall
- (c) Titles will be awarded as follows:

RS Tera PRO Start of Season Champion: 1st RS Tera Pro Overall RS Tera SPORT Start of Season Champion: 1st RS Tera Sport Overall

#### 15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

RRS 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 and 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 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) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims;

#### 16 RIGHT & COPYRIGHT

In participating in the RS Tera Start of Season Championship any competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the National and International Class Associations permission to make, use and show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation, in perpetuity.

#### 17 FURTHER INFORMATION

Camping and Campervan facilities, including toilets and showers, will be available and are free for the Saturday night .However if competitors wish to arrive on the Friday night or stay on the Sunday night there will be a charge of £10 per vehicle / tent / caravan per night towards the use of the facilities. Access on Friday evening will be by way of a gate code which can be obtained from the club office during the week prior to the event. Please confirm a booking by contacting the club office



Galley service available both days including Saturday and Sunday breakfast. Dinner will be available on Saturday evening and can be booked and paid for on the day at registration

# **Northampton Sailing Club**

See website for further information, how to find the club, etc.

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Local Accommodation includes:

The Stags Head Maidwell www.stagshead-maidwell.co.uk

Sedgebrook Hall www.sedgebrookhallnorthampton.co.uk

No dogs on site, if you do bring a dog you will be asked to park in the pay and display car park outside the sailing club grounds