



ROYAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL

UK RS Tera National Championships

24th – 26th August 2019

NOTICE OF RACE - CHAMPIONSHIP FLEET

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

Brightlingsea 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. The Post-Race Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Dispute Process will be available. The Post-Race Penalty will be 30%.
- 1.5. All competitors will be required to wear personal floatation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment, at all times while afloat. ICF 'Y' will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40. The Sailing Instructions may also change other rules. In the event of a conflict between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs shall take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with the class rules and World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 2.3. The following parts of the hull and sail must be left clear for the display of advertising, if supplied, without exception. All competitors shall ensure this is carried out before arrival at the event.
 - 2.3.1. the front one metre of the bow;
 - 2.3.2. the bottom 10% of the mainsail;
 - 2.3.3. the front 50cm of the boom nearest to the mast.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Tera class.
- 3.2. All competitors must be a current member of the UK RS Tera Class Association. Evidence of membership may be required at registration.
- 3.3. Eligible boats may enter by:
 - 3.3.1. completing the online entry form at www.rstera.org.uk
 - 3.3.2. making the required entry fee payment
 - 3.3.3. supplying at registration a completed Medical Information Declaration and a completed Parent/Guardian Consent Form signed by the appropriate parent or guardian. Forms are available to download at www.rstera.org.uk.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee is £120 on or before midnight on Sunday 11th August 2019. Those who enter before midnight **on Monday 5th August 2019** will receive a complimentary competitor's T- Shirt.
- 4.2. After midnight on Sunday 11th August 2019, the entry fee is £130.
- 4.3. On line entry closes at midnight on Monday 19th August 2019.
- 4.4. Entries after midnight on Monday 19th August 2019 will only be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Late entrants must contact the RS Tera Class Secretary at rsterasecretary@gmail.com and, if accepted, the entry will be subject to an additional administration fee of £10. The entry and administration fees must be paid in cash at registration.
- 4.5. Refund of entry fees:
 - 4.5.1. Any fully paid entry cancelled prior to midnight on Sunday 11th August 2019 will be refunded in full.
 - 4.5.2. Any paid entries cancelled after midnight on Sunday 11th August 2019 and before midnight on Friday 16th August 2019 will receive a refund of 50% of the entry fee paid.
 - 4.5.3. No refunds will be offered after midnight on Friday 16th August 2019.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1.

Day	Date	Event	Time
Friday	23rd August 2019	Registration	17:00 – 19:00
Saturday	24th August 2019	Registration	08:30 – 10:00
		Competitors Briefing	10:30
		Race 1 warning signal	11:55
		Race 2	asap after race 1
		Race 3	asap after race 2
		AGM	Target 18:00
Sunday	25th August 2019	Race 4 warning signal	09:55
		Race 5	asap after race 4
		Race 6	asap after race 5
		Race 7	asap after race 6
		Barbecue	18:30 (after racing)
Monday	26th August 2019	Race 8 warning signal	09:55
		Race 9	asap after race 8
		Race 10	asap after race 9
		Prize giving	asap after racing

- 5.2. The Championship will consist of 10 races. The intention is 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.
- 5.3. No warning signal will be made after 15:00 on Monday 26th August 2019.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board, and posted on the UK RS Tera Class Association website not after August 9th 2019.

7. VENUE

The venue is Brightlingsea Sailing Club, **Oyster Tank Road, Brightlingsea, Essex, CO7 0DY**. The race area will be in the Colne Estuary.

8. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

SCORING

- 8.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 8.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.3. The Sport and Pro fleets will be scored separately.
- 8.4. The total score for each boat will be the sum of her scores as follows:
 - 8.4.1. When 4 or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores;
 - 8.4.2. When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score;
 - 8.4.3. When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

9. SUPPORT BOATS

- 9.1. All Support Boats must register in advance of the event with the UK RS Tera Class Association Secretary by email to rsterasecretary@gmail.com.
- 9.2. Support Boats must organise their own berthing and boats longer than 4 meters must pay the appropriate Harbour fees. Details of moorings and fees are provided at <http://www.brightlingseaharbour.org>. Brightlingsea Boat Park and Ride (contact: 01206 304747) offer a daily launching facility.
- 9.3. Support Boats will sign in at the Race Office during registration and comply with the Support Boat regulations as defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.4. Support boats shall be controlled within the race area, they will not be free to roam up and down the course during racing, further details will be included within the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.5. To ensure fairness to all competitors, all support boats may be required to carry drinks, snacks and spares for competitors who do not have their own support boat.
- 9.6. 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.

10. BERTHING

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

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes will be given dependent on number of entries, but as a minimum 1st – 3rd overall for the Sport and Pro Fleets.

- 12.2. The titles will be awarded as follows:

RS Tera Pro National Champion:	First RS Tera Pro Overall
RS Tera Sport National Champion:	First RS Tera Sport Overall
RS Tera Sport U10 Trophy:	Competitors must be under 10 years of age at midnight on 26th August 2019

RS Tera Club Trophy:	Lowest combined score of 1st 3 competitors from any one club (competitors who enter from more than one club will be scored as the first club listed on the entry)
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13. 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 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 and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

14. INSURANCE

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

15. TELEVISION & MEDIA RIGHTS

In participating in the UK RS Tera National 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.

16. SAFETY INFORMATION

Random spot checks for boat equipment and safety scrutineering will take place in the Dinghy Park at any time during the event. Boat trolleys will be required to pass a safety check at registration (Friday evening and Saturday morning), after which the trolley tag will be issued. All competitors are required to wear a buoyancy aid with a whistle attached. All boats shall carry a towline (painter) of at least 8 m in length (measured from the fitment point) permanently attached to the standard fitment position in front of the mast. Painter rope specification as per class rules. Ideally, minimum 6mm diameter floating rope. A tally system will be in operation.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

UK RS Tera Class Association

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<https://www.lakesidecaravan-park.co.uk/>