



## **Weston August Cup, Europe, and Streaker, Invitational**

**Organising Authority: Weston Sailing Club (WSC)**

**Dates: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

**Location: Abbey Hill, Netley Abbey, Southampton, SO31 5FB**

### **Notice of Race (NoR)**

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### **1. Rules**

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in 'The Racing Rules of Sailing'.
- 1.2. Competitors should note that WSC:
  - 1.1.1. [DP] implements and expects competitors to sail in compliance with the RYA Racing Charter
  - 1.1.2. shall apply the Post-Race Penalty and the Advisory Hearing of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures
  - 1.1.3. [DP] expects competitors to sail in accordance with the Southampton Water by-laws for Racing

#### **2. Sailing Instructions**

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available after 10am on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021 on the WSC website <https://members.weston.org.uk/event/august-cup> or from the Race Office at the club on registration.

#### **3. Communication**

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board (ONB) is located near the WSC Race Office.
- 3.2. The Race Office is located at WSC, Abbey Hill, Netley Abbey, Southampton, SO31 5FB, between the WSC Club room and the Changing rooms. When not open please telephone: 023 8045 2527
- 3.3. Race signals during this event will be by boards displayed on the Race Box balcony and sound signals may also be provided.
- 3.4. [DP] While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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 all multihull and dinghies with an RYA Portsmouth Number (PN).
- 4.2. The event is open to all boats complying with valid class/builder/measurement certificates.
- 4.3. Only boats belonging to members of Weston Sailing Club (WSC), or Europe, or Streaker dinghies belonging to competitors who have completed a registration form and paid the prescribed entry fee are eligible to race in this event.

- 4.4. The entry limit for Europes and Streakers is 50 boats but may be increased at the discretion of the organiser.
- 4.5. Fleets are defined as follows:
  - 4.5.1. FAST - PN 942 and faster (including Cats and Monohulls but excluding IC and RS600).
  - 4.5.2. MEDIUM/SLOW - PN 943 and slower (including IC and RS600).
  - 4.5.3. STREAKER- Streaker dinghies.
  - 4.5.4. EUROPE – Europe dinghies.Fleets may be merged depending on the number of boats at the discretion of the Race Officer.
- 4.6. Eligible boats of members, other than Europe or Streaker, do not need to complete an entry form or pay entry fees.
- 4.7. For Europes and Streakers pre-registration is required (see 9.1.2) and the prescribed entry fee must be paid (see 5.2).
- 4.8. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration and entry requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.9. [DP] Competitors wishing to use sail numbers other than those declared on the relevant signing on form must notify the Race Officer before the warning signal of race concerned.

## 5. Fees

- 5.1. Membership and Pound fees are available on the WSC website here: [weston.org.uk/costs](http://weston.org.uk/costs).
- 5.2. For visiting Europes and Streakers, the entry fee for the event is £30 per boat. Entry fees should be paid on registration and at the latest **before 3pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August**. Acceptance of later payment will be at the discretion of WSC. Entry fees may be refunded if the event is cancelled more than 72 hours before the event.

## 6. Crew Limitations

- 6.1. Crew limitations will comply with Class rules

## 7. Advertising

- 7.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 7.2. The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

## 8. Qualifying Series and Final Series

- 8.1. Not Applicable

## 9. Schedule

- 9.1. Registration –
  - 9.1.1. [DP] Competitors must sign on at least 10 minutes before the warning signal of the first race of the day when racing is scheduled.
  - 9.1.2. For Europes and Streakers pre-registration is also required using the booking system on the Club website. Entries after the limit is reached will be held on a waiting list. The deadline for registration is **12 noon on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August**. Any late entries will only be accepted at the discretion of the Organiser and subject to the entry limit at 4.4. above.
- 9.2. Equipment Inspection Schedule - Not Applicable (see 10.2)
- 9.3. Dates of racing: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021.
- 9.4. Number of Races:
  - 9.4.1. 3 races per day are scheduled. This is also the maximum number of races per day.
  - 9.4.2. Racing will be “back to back”, without coming ashore between races, although this may be modified at the organiser’s discretion.
- 9.5. The scheduled time of the **first start** on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August is 10am and on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August is 11am. An event briefing may be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 9am and on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August at 10am if necessary.
- 9.6. On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August, no race will be started after 3pm.

## 10. Equipment Inspection

- 10.1. Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate
- 10.2. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race, and sailing instructions
- 10.3. [DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1

## **11. Clothing and Equipment**

11.1. Not Applicable for this NoR

## **12. Venue**

12.1. The racing area is Southampton Water, within approx. a 1 mile radius of WSC (see Addendum 1).

12.2. [DP] Competitors must keep clear of the commercial shipping channel in Southampton Water.

## **13. Courses**

13.1. The race course, number of laps, start line, and finish line, will be displayed on boards on the lower SE wall of the WSC Race Box at least 15 minutes before the first fleet start time

13.2. Racing marks shall be:

13.2.1. Large yellow or orange inflatable triangular buoys, and/or,

13.2.2. Orange inflatable cylindrical buoys, and/or,

13.2.3. Any of the fixed Southampton Water buoys/posts

## **14. Penalty System**

14.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2. RRS Appendix P applies with the Two-Turns penalty replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **15. Scoring**

15.1. For handicap fleets, scoring will be calculated using handicap corrected average lap times.

15.2. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.3. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

15.4. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, but excluding her worst score.

15.5. Rule A5.3 applies.

## **16. Support Person Vessels**

16.1. [DP] Support vessels should be identified to the organising authority at least 24 hours before the event and may be required to carry markings as directed by the organising authority or Race Officer

## **17. Chartered or Loaned Boats**

17.1. Not Applicable

## **18. Berthing**

18.1. [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park and not moved without prior written approval of the Race committee or Pound Manager

## **19. Haul-out Restrictions**

19.1. Not Applicable

## **20. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools**

20.1. Not Applicable

## **21. Data Protection**

21.1. Weston SC adheres to the principles and lawful basis of processing data under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). We will hold your personal data relating to the event on our systems and we will review your personal data periodically to establish whether we are still entitled to process it. If we decide that we are not entitled to do so, we will stop holding your personal data except that we will retain it in an archived form in order to be able to comply with future legal obligations. We will only ever share your data for the purpose of depicting the racing, results, analytics, and in media reports distributed to appropriate publications and regular social media platforms.

## 22. Risk Statement

22.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on the unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

22.2. The provision of safety equipment and boats by Weston Sailing Club is neither a guarantee that assistance can be rendered to any competitor in need, nor an acceptance of any responsibility for rescue of competitors.

22.3. Further, in the event that any assistance is rendered to a competitor, no liability for any loss, damage or injury to the competitor and/or boat and its equipment is accepted by either the Club or the crew of such rescue craft.

## 23. Insurance

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

## 24. Prizes

24.1. WSC Club Prizes will be given for the first place for each handicap fleet and (depending on numbers) for the leading 3 boats in the Europe and Streaker fleets.

24.2. Additional prizes may be made available by WSC or by Class associations participating in or alongside WSC racing.

24.3. The prize giving ceremony will be as soon as possible after the completion of the last race and will be done in accordance with the applicable government social distancing measures.

## 25. Further Information

25.1. For further information please contact: [administrator@weston.org.uk](mailto:administrator@weston.org.uk)

## Addendum 1 – WSC Race Area



*Note: Not for navigation and mark positions for guidance only*