**Notice of Selection for Hosts for 2025/26 BUCS/BUSA Team Racing Championships**

1. Summary

1.1 There is an annual Team Racing Championships, organised by BUSA and hosted by   
 University Sailing Clubs (USC’s) and/or non-University Sailing Clubs (SC’s).

1.1.1 The Team Racing Championships comprises 3 stages: Qualifiers, Playoffs and   
 Finals. Each stage is hosted by selected USC’s or SC’s based on regional or round   
 requirements. Format for all stages is 3 boat Team Racing in Firefly dinghies.

The Qualifiers take place within 5 regions across the UK. Scottish regional qualifier events are organised separately by the Scottish Student Sailing committee. A reserve weekend is allocated for qualifier events.

Playoffs is a single weekend for those teams selected during the qualifying stage. It is to be hosted in early March.

Championship Finals are held over three days in April for those teams qualified directly for finals from the Qualifiers or through Playoffs.

1.2 All bidding decisions will be made by a Selection Committee and ratified by the   
 BUSA Committee.

1.3 Each bid submitted will be reviewed with focus on quality, feasibility and financial   
 acceptability of each bid as relevant to the stage bidded for.

 2. BUSA Objectives

2.1 To select the most appropriate bids on the basis of the criteria stated in 1.3.

2.2 To support development of the BUSA university clubs’ ability to plan and run a high   
 quality team racing event.

3. Selection Committee and Organisation

3.1 The BUSA Executive Committee and the BUSA Team Racing Officer will appoint a   
 Selection Committee. This is likely to comprise of President, Vice President,   
 Secretary, Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Team Racing Officer.

3.2 All communications connected with the selection process should be addressed to   
 BUSA Team Racing Officer, Isobel Hedley-Fenn, via email at [team-racing@busa.co.uk](mailto:team-racing@busa.co.uk)

4. Selection Criteria

4.1 The Selection Committee has the authority to nominate bids that will best achieve   
 the BUSA Objective (as set out in Clause 2.1) It will select the successful bids in   
 accordance with the process outlined in this Notice of Selection, taking into account   
 any other factors they may believe to be relevant.

4.2 The Selection Committee will fill out a Feedback Summary for each bid and this   
 along with group discussion on a date selected by the Team Racing Officer will be   
 used to select the successful bids.

4.3 This Notice of Selection may be amended at any time up to 24 hours before the start   
 of the Selection Process, should the Selection Committee, at its absolute discretion,   
 consider that circumstances require changes to be made. Such changes will be   
 emailed to the supplied contact addresses.

5. Rules – The following rules will apply for all successful bids selected:

5.1 The following rules will apply to all successful bids:

1. BUSA Constitution
2. RRS 2025-2028 with RYA Prescriptions
3. Sailing Instructions for the Regional Qualifiers
4. This Notice of Selection

5.2 Where there is a conflict, succeeding items in the order listed above shall take   
 precedence over preceding items.

6. Announcement of Successful Bids

6.1 The successful bids will be announced one week following the BUSA Committee   
 Meeting, where selections are ratified at 1200. An article will be published on the   
 BUSA Website along with an email correspondence to all Bid Applications sent. If   
 requested, feedback will be given by the Team Racing Officer, following discussion   
 with members of the selection committee.

7. Appeals

7.1 Grounds for appeal against the decisions of Selection Committee are limited to   
 allegations of:

1. Failure to follow Notice of Selection
2. Bias/undue influence
3. Alleged misconduct

7.2 There will be no appeal against the published selection criteria or the provisions of   
 this Notice of Selection. There will be no appeals against the actions of the Selection   
 Committee, provided they follow the Selection Criteria. For the avoidance of doubt,   
 there shall be no right of appeal against an alleged error of judgement on the part of   
 the Selection Committee. By submitting a bid the USC’s agree to the provision of   
 this Notice of Selection.

7.3 If a USC wishes to submit an appeal, this shall be submitted to the Secretary by   
 email ([secretary@busa.co.uk](mailto:secretary@busa.co.uk)) no later than 7 days following the successful bids   
 announcement. The Secretary has the right to share the appeal with the Team   
 Racing Officer and BUSA Chair.