Reading University Sailing & Windsurfing Club

**NOTICE of RACE**

Reading Rumble

25th-26th October 2025

**1 INTRODUCTION**

The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflies supplied by the organising authority. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.

**2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The organising authority is Reading University Sailing & Windsurfing Club.

**3 RULES**

3.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.

3.2 Races will be umpired.

3.3 The UK Team Racing Association (UKTRA) Standard Team Racing Sailing Instructions will apply. These change some rules in the RRS; they are available on the UKTRA web site (www.teamracing.org) and at registration.

3.4 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

**4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT**

4.1 Entry Procedure

(a) Entries are invited from universities, clubs and schools.

(b) The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is the 25th October 2025.

(c) The entry fee will be £300 per team and will only be returned if the organisers fill the place with a team from the reserve list

(d) If at 18:00 on the Closing Date the minimum number of teams have entered, the event will proceed.

(e) If at 18:00 on the Closing Date there are insufficient entries the event will be cancelled, and the entry fee less any bank charges will be returned.

(f) If on the Closing Date the event is oversubscribed the Organising Authority will advise the team(s) concerned, these teams may request to be placed on a waiting list or have their entry fee (less bank charges) returned. All teams that have entered correctly and are not offered a place will have its entry fee (less any bank charges) refunded.

4.4 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £250 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail. When a team is assessed as liable for damage, it shall restore the deposit to the original value in order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage.

4.5 Withdrawal

(a) When a team accepts an invitation and later withdraws before the closing date, the entry fee (less any bank charges) will be returned.

(b) When a team accepts an invitation and later withdraws after the closing date, the entry fee will not be returned unless the team is able to find a replacement team that meets the requirements of this NOR.

**5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE**

5.1 The format of the event will be a round robin followed by semi-finals and a final.

5.2 Registration will take place at 0830 in Burghfield Sailing Club on 25th October.

5.3 There will be a briefing at 0930 in Burghfield Sailing Club on 25th October.

5.4 The first warning signal will be at 1000.

**6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING**

Adequate personal flotation devices and a wetsuit or drysuit shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat and on the pontoons.

**7 RISK STATEMENT, INSURANCE**

7.1 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 other 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.

7.2 When the boats are provided by the competitors, the boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular, to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3,000,000.

**8 PRIZES**

These will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

The entry form is available on the BUSA website or by emailing [uorsailingwindsurfing@gmail.com](mailto:uorsailingwindsurfing@gmail.com).

**9 Privacy Statement**

1.1 The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority’s privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published