
Notice of Selection for BUCS/ BUSA Fleet Racing Championships

2026

1. Summary

- 1.1 There is an annual Fleet Racing Championship hosted by a University Sailing Club (USC). The event commonly held over two courses with 4 fleets (slow handicap, fast handicap, firefly, laser classes).
- 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 through the use of a bidding scoresheet, primarily focusing on the quality, feasibility, and financial acceptability of each bid.

2. BUSA Objectives

- 2.1 To select the most appropriate bids on the basis of the criteria set out in Clause 1.3.
- 2.2 Help develop the University Sailing Club's ability to plan and run a high-quality national fleet racing championship event.

3. Selection Committee and Organisation

- 3.1 BUSA will appoint a Selection Committee comprising of the following current BUSA Committee members:

- President
- Vice-President
- Administrator
- Chair
- Vice-Chair
- Fleet Racing Officer
- Treasurer

- 3.2 All communications connected with the selection process should be addressed to the BUSA Fleet Racing Officer (fleet-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). The successful bid will be selected in accordance with the process outlined in this Notice of Selection, taking into account any other factor they may believe to be relevant.
- 4.2 The Selection Committee will fill out an Application Scoring Sheet for each bid and this along with group discussion on a date selected by the Fleet Racing Officer will be used to select the successful bid.
- 4.3 This Notice of Selection may be amended at any go 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 BUSA Constitution.

5.2 The RRS 2025-2028 with RYA Prescriptions.

5.3 The Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for the BUCS Fleet Racing Championships.

5.4 This Notice of Selection. Where there is a conflict, succeeding items, as listed above, shall take precedence over proceeding items.

6. Announcement of Successful Bids

6.1 The Successful bid will be announced one week following the BUSA e-Committee Meeting or Full Committee Meeting (where possible). An article will be published on the BUSA Website along with an email correspondence to all Bid Applications received. If requested, feedback will be given by the Fleet Racing Officer, following a discussion with the Chair and Administrator.

7. Appeals

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

7.1.1 Failure to follow this Notice of Selection.

7.1.2 Bias/undue influence.

7.1.3 Some other form of misconduct.

7.2 There will be no appeal against the published selection criteria or the provisions of this Notice of Selection. If the Selection Committee do not follow the Selection Criteria in relation to 7.1.1-3, appeals may be heard. 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.

7.2.1 If a USC wishes to submit an appeal, this shall be submitted to the BUSA Fleet Racing Officer by email (fleet-racing@busa.co.uk) no later than 7 days following the successful bids announcement. The Fleet Racing Officer has the right to share the appeal with the BUSA Chair and Administrator.

7.2.2 The appeal committee shall be made up of an RYA representative, a BUCS representative alongside the President, Vice-President, Chair, Vice-Chair, Fleet Racing Officer, Treasurer and technical delegate of BUSA.