

University of Warwick Sailing Club
NOTICE of RACE
Warwick Turtle 2016
January 30th - 31st 2016

1 INTRODUCTION

The event is for 3 boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflies supplied by the organising authority. Each boat shall be sailed by 2 people.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is the University of Warwick Sailing 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 Entries are invited from University teams, both past and present, and sailing clubs from around the UK and ROI. Entries will initially be limited to two places per university/club, unless otherwise stated. However, if fewer than 21 teams have entered by the 31st December 2015, the organising authority may accept other entries. Please contact the organising authority if unsure as to your eligibility on hello@uwsc.org.uk.

4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is 7th January 2016.

4.3 The entry fee will be £280 per team.

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 in advance 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.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

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

5.2 Registration will take place on January 29th, 19:00 to 22:00. Location TBC (Leamington Spa area).

5.3 There will be a briefing at January 30th, 09:15 at Draycote Water Sailing Club.

5.4 The first warning signal will be at 09.57 on January 30th.

6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

Adequate personal flotation devices and wet or dry suits shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.

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 No alcoholic beverages not purchased on site are to be consumed at the sailing club.

Transport to and from the reservoir is the responsibility of the team applying.

8 PRIZES

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

Entry forms are available on the BUSA website (www.busa.co.uk) or can be obtained by emailing hello@uwsc.org.uk.