



## Royal Southern Yacht Club



### LASER SB3 SOLENT SERIES

Solent Series 1 - 18/19 June 2011

Solent Series 2 - 2/3 July 2011

Solent Series 4 - 10/11 September 2011

## NOTICE OF RACE

The organising authority is the Royal Southern Yacht Club in conjunction with the Laser SB3 UK Class Association.

### **1 RULES**

The race series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Laser SB3 Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions (SI's) and this Notice of Race. In the case of conflict the SI's will prevail.

### **2 ADVERTISING**

The organising authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising on the hull.

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**3.1** The series is open to all registered boats of the Laser SB3 class that comply with the Class Rules. Entrants are particularly reminded of the Class Rule requirements in relation to membership of the Class Association.

**3.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to the Royal Southern YC before 1000 on Tuesday prior to each race weekend. Late entries may be accepted subject to receipt of an extra 25% late entry fee.

**3.3** Cancellation of entry: Refunds (less an administrative charge of £20) will only be given if cancellation is received by noon Tuesday prior to the race weekend.

#### 4 FEES

Required fees are as follows:

- (a) The entry fee is £125 for the Series to be received before 17<sup>th</sup> May
- (b) The entry fee per weekend is £50.00
- (c) Late entries received after 10 am on the Tuesday before the event will be charged £87.50 per weekend
- (d) Berthing is available on a "first come, first served" basis. Please pay before you leave.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

##### 5.1 Registration and crew weighing:

Friday 1700-2000 or  
Saturday 0800-0915 or after racing but no later than 1800  
Sunday 0800-0900

All crews must have been weighed during each event, at the latest before going afloat for the second day of racing.

##### 5.2 Dates of racing:

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##### 5.3 Number of races:

Saturday	3 races	1 <sup>st</sup> Scheduled start 1030
Sunday	3 races	1 <sup>st</sup> Scheduled start 1030

##### 5.4 There will be no race started after 1500 on Sunday.

#### 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available from lunchtime on Tuesday prior to each weekend on the Royal Southern website [www.royal-southern.co.uk](http://www.royal-southern.co.uk), on the Class website at [www.lasersb3.com](http://www.lasersb3.com) and at registration.

#### 7 MEASUREMENTS

All crews shall be weighed at registration in accordance with Class Rules. Crew weighing will be carried out for complete crews at one time.

Boats and equipment may be inspected at any time during the regatta in accordance with Class Rules. Random spot checks may be carried out on the water.

#### 8 VENUE

8.1 The venue will be the Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble.

8.2 The race area will be the central Solent, with starts in the vicinity of Royal Southern buoy.

## **9 THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be of a windward-leeward style using a combination of fixed and laid inflatable marks as described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

### **11.1 SCORING – Laser SB3 Solent Series.**

**11.2** The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply for each weekend. Except that all scores will count. This amends Appendix A2 Series Scores.

### **11.4 SCORING – R.Srn Summer Series**

**11.5** All races form part of the Royal Southern Summers Series.

**11.6** The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. A boat that does not start a race shall be scored 35 points or 1 more than the number of boats entered in the race. This changes Rules A 4.2 and A 9

**11.7** Each individual weekend regatta is a short "series" for which all races count.

**11.8** Points will be awarded for the overall R.Srn series as follows.

(a) When 15 or fewer races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.

(b) When 16 to 19 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 3 worst scores.

(c) When 20 or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 4 worst scores.

## **12 PRIVATE SUPPORT BOATS**

During racing, support boats shall remain more than 100 metres from the course area, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee or rescue boats, or rescuing a crew in difficulty.

## **13 BERTHING**

Berthing at the Royal Southern is included in the cost of the entry fee on a "first come first served" basis with booking through the Sailing Secretary.

## **14 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **15 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## **16 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**17.1** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**17.2** The Race Committee may make use of VHF Channel M1 (37) to make announcements to competitors, including during the pre-start period. Any announcement, or failure to make such an announcement, shall not be cause for redress.

## **18 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> places in the regatta at the prize giving after racing on Sunday. The target time is about 1630.

## **19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the racing and the event, and include the organising authority, the race committee, committee boat(s), the race officers and others.

The boat is responsible to ensure that she is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew knows how to use it.

Any inspection of a boat by the race committee does not reduce the responsibilities set out in this disclaimer.

## **20 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## **21 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact the Sailing Secretary:

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