



SB20 UK OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Thursday 4th – Sunday 7th July 2013

Organising Authority (OA): RCYC Events Ltd,
Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

in conjunction with the SB20 UK Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 RRS 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty (see section 10). Full details will be given in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.3 Local regulations will apply concerning safe navigation in close proximity of commercial vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre, and dive vessels. Full details will be given in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 In the event of conflict between this notice of race and the sailing instructions then the sailing instructions will prevail.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display bow numbers and event advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the sailing instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The event is open to all registered boats of the SB20 class that comply with class rules. Entrants are particularly reminded of class rule requirements in relation to personal memberships of a class association. They shall complete on-site registration prior to 1030 on Friday 5th July 2013, unless the OA extends this time.
- 3.2 Helms may be of any nationality but the national championship included within the event will be awarded only to a UK citizen.
- 3.3 All entries shall be submitted on-line at www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org prior to Friday 5th July 2013.
- 3.4 The closing date for normal entries is Friday 28th June 2013. Entries submitted after this date will be subject to payment of an additional late entry premium.
- 3.5 An entry is not complete until:
 - (a) entry fees have been paid in full;
 - (b) crews have weighed-in at registration;
 - (c) a crew list and declaration form, available at registration, has been signed by each member of the crew;
 - (d) a parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration has been submitted for crew age 18 and under. The form will be available for download at www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The entry fee for the regatta is £245. The late entry premium is £50.
- 4.2 The entry fee covers launch & haul-out, trailer parking, berthing, 3 tickets to the reception and to the championship dinner, and the UK class association levy. Additional tickets will be available for purchase at registration and from the race office during the regatta.
- 4.3 Refunds (less an administrative charge of £25) will only be given if cancellation is received by 1200 on Friday 28th June 2013.

5. COMPETITION FORMAT

The regatta will consist of a series of ten scheduled races.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Schedule

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Thursday 4 th July	Marina berths open to competitors	0900	
	Launching	0900-1600	Falmouth Docks
	Registration	1400-1700	Marina
		1900-2100	RCYC
	Training (coordinated by Sportsboat World)	tba	tba
	Training debrief	tba	RCYC
	Reception/briefing/supper available afterwards	1900	RCYC
Friday 5 th July	Launching	0900-1030	Falmouth Docks
	Final registration	0900-1030	Marina
	Up to three races back-to-back	First warning signal 1155	
	Free evening		
Saturday 6 th July	Up four races back-to-back	First warning signal 1025	
	Championship dinner	1930	RCYC
Sunday 7 th July	Up to three races back-to-back	First warning signal 1025	
	Hauling-out	After racing	Falmouth Docks
	Prize-giving	During haul-out	Falmouth Docks

- 6.2 Representatives of the UK class association and Sportsboat World may be on the water in a RIB and may advise the race officer of the appropriate number of races to be sailed on each day.
- 6.3 No warning signal will be made after 1425 on Sunday 7th July.

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

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. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at on-site registration. A preliminary version may be posted at www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org and on the UK class association website at www.sb20class.com/uk before this date.

9. VENUE AND COURSES

- 9.1 The regatta office will be situated at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club. Racing will take place in Falmouth Bay or adjacent waters to the east. If conditions in the Bay are unsuitable, racing may be held within the estuary (see attachment).
- 9.2 Courses will be Windward-Leeward as described in the sailing instructions. Races will be approximately 60 minutes in duration.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

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

11. SCORING

- 11.1** A minimum of 6 races shall be completed to constitute the championship.
- 11.2** When fewer than 6 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 11.3** When from 6 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.4** When ten races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1** All support boats shall be registered with the OA and will be required to comply with local regulations. No support boat over 7m LOA will be registered. Unregistered support boats will not be permitted on or near the course area.
- 12.2** During racing, support boats shall remain more than 100 metres from the course area, except when asked to assist by the race committee, or to rescue a competitor who is ill, injured or in danger. Sailing instructions may impose other requirements on support boats.

13. BERTHING

- 13.1** Boats shall be kept afloat at Port Pendennis marina www.portpendennis.com, except by prior arrangement with the race committee. Boats are advised that suitable fenders will be required when rafted up alongside the pontoon.
- 13.2** There will be no parking close nearby for road trailers. Trailers will be kept in a secure compound within Falmouth Docks with restricted access during the regatta.
- 13.3** Boats shall be in the marina by 1030 on Friday 5th July, except by prior arrangement with the race committee. All boats shall be removed from the marina on Sunday 7th July unless private arrangements have been made with the marina owner.

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

- 16.1** Except in an emergency, 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.
- 16.2** The race committee may make use of marine VHF channel M2 (Icom P2) to make announcements to competitors, including during the pre-start period. Any announcement, or failure to make an announcement, shall not be cause for redress.

17. PRIZES

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the series. In addition, a perpetual trophy will be awarded to the highest placed boat helmed by a UK citizen. Keeper prizes will be awarded for 1st to 5th places in the series. The OA and class association may also award other prizes.

18. RISK STATEMENT

- 18.1** 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".
- 18.2** 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 and omissions;
 - (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) 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) provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 18.3** The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

20. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the OA and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the venue please visit www.royalcornwallyachtclub.org or contact the regatta office: Tel: +44 (0)1326 312 126, Fax: +44 (0)1326 211 614, E-mail: sb20@rcycevents.co.uk.

For further information on Falmouth and its environs, including accommodation, please visit www.falmouth.co.uk.

Attachment

Venue



- 1 - Royal Cornwall Yacht Club (regatta office, reception/briefing/BBQ, dinner, protest hearings)
- 2 - Port Pendennis marina (berthing, registration, notice board)
- 3 - Falmouth Docks, County Wharf (launch, haul-out)
- 4 - Public car parks
- 5 - Trailer park in Falmouth Docks

Indicative course areas

