



## Notice of Race

Event **RS Aero UK Youth Nationals 2017**

Date **12th-13th August 2017**

Organising authority **Burghfield Sailing Club**

Event Website [http://burghfieldsailing.org/rs\\_aero\\_youths](http://burghfieldsailing.org/rs_aero_youths)

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 including Appendix T and the rules of the RS Aero Class Association.
- 1.2. By participating in this regatta, a competitor grants to the Organising Authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 1.3. The following rule changes apply. The Sailing Instructions may make additional rule changes:
  - 1.3.1. RRS A4.1 and A5 are changed such that boats starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored, DNS.
  - 1.3.2. RRS 35 is changed to allow the Race Committee to finish boats in place on the race course if they are unreasonably delaying the completion of a race.
  - 1.3.3. RRS 63.1 is changed to also require competitors to inform the Race Committee as soon as possible after finishing of their intention to protest.
  - 1.3.4. RRS 26 is changed such that the warning signal is displayed 3 minutes before the start and the preparatory signal displayed 2 minutes before the start. The preparatory is removed at 1 minute and the warning at start time as per Rule 26.
- 1.4. The rules and by-laws of Burghfield Sailing Club will apply.

### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats of the RS Aero class.
- 3.2. UK participants must be members of the UK RS Aero class association and International visitors must be members of their equivalent National organisation where they exist.
- 3.3. Entry will be accepted only from competitors under the age of 22 on 31st December 2017.
- 3.4. Eligible boats must enter by completing the form on the event website and completing full payment of the entry fees (See 5, below) by midnight on 5th August 2017
- 3.5. Late entries will only be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority
- 3.6. Entry places may be limited, details will be available on the event website.

#### 4. LOCAL AMENITIES

- 4.1. Breakfast will be available before racing each morning.
- 4.2. There will be a BBQ Dinner on the Saturday Night & Lunch will be available at the club canteen both days.
- 4.3. If you require camping nearby, please contact [rs\\_aero\\_youths@burghfieldsailing.org](mailto:rs_aero_youths@burghfieldsailing.org)

#### 5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee will be:

Before midnight on 22nd July 2017	£35 / boat
After this date	£45 / boat
- 5.2. Entry Fees are non-refundable.

#### 6. RACE FORMAT

- 6.1. The regatta will consist of a single series with no qualifying and Finals.
- 6.2. Dependant on the number of entries, entries may be divided into separate fleets RS Aero 9, RS Aero 7 and RS Aero 5, or may be grouped.
- 6.3. If racing is split into separate fleets for each rig, should a competitor wish to change rigs during the championship, they may do so within their original entry fee. However all races completed using the changed rig will be scored as a separate entry. Requests for permission to change rigs must be submitted in writing to the race office.

#### 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. The schedule is given below. Times in bold are fixed (subject to RRS procedures) all other times are for guidance only and may vary considerably, deviation will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

Item	Saturday	Sunday	Notes
Registration	<b>08:30 - 10:00</b>		
Competitor's Briefing	<b>10:15</b>		
First Warning Signal	<b>11:00</b>	<b>10:00</b>	
	Three races	Two Races	
Lunch ashore	13:00	11:30	Sunday Club Race
Afloat	13:45	12:30	
	Three races	Two Races	
Last Warning		<b>14:00</b>	
Ashore	16:30	14:30	Sunday Club Race
Prize giving	17:00	15:00	

- 7.2. There will be a maximum of 10 races.
- 7.3. On Sunday, there will be no warning signal after 14:00

## **8. MEASUREMENTS**

- 8.1. There will be no pre-event measurement.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 9.1. Sailing instructions will be available on the event website at least 3 days before the event.
- 9.2. Sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board. Individual printed copies will NOT be distributed on the day, please print your own if required.

## **10. VENUE**

Burghfield Sailing Club  
Hangar Road  
Theale, Reading  
Berkshire  
RG7 4AP

See: <http://www.burghfieldsailing.org/map>

## **11. THE COURSES**

- 11.1. The courses to be sailed will be as published in the Sailing Instructions.
- 11.2. Trapezoid courses will be used if practical.

## **12. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 12.1. Rule 44.3, will not apply.

## **13. SCORING**

- 13.1. The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 13.2. Subject to sufficient entries in each class, boats will be divided by rig sizes (5, 7, and 9) for scoring.
- 13.3. Subject to sufficient entries, competitors will also be divided in to the following age categories for scoring:
- |            |                                     |
|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Junior     | Aged under 16 on 31st December 2017 |
| Youth      | Aged under 19 on 31st December 2017 |
| Apprentice | Aged under 22 on 31st December 2017 |
- 13.4. One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.5. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores as listed below:

Races Completed	Scores Excluded
1 - 3	0
4 - 7	1
8 - 10	2

## **14. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 14.1. If you wish to bring a support boat to this event please contact [rs\\_aero\\_youths@burghfieldsailing.org](mailto:rs_aero_youths@burghfieldsailing.org).

## **15-18 NOT USED**

## **19. PRIZES**

- 19.1. Prizes will be awarded for overall results and the various combinations of rigs and age categories depending on the number of entries.

## **20. STATEMENT OF RISK**

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;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held at the venue.

## **21. INSURANCE**

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

## **22. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please see contact details on the event website.