



## 2020 SB20 UK Sprint Championship

Thursday 17th September  
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## 2020 SB20 UK Open & National Championship

Friday 18th—Sunday 20th September

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Organised by the Royal Southern Yacht Club in association with  
the UK SB20 Class Association.

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# NOTICE OF RACE

## 1 ORGANISATION and RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#), [the SB20 Class Rules](#), the Sailing Instructions (SI's) and this Notice of Race.
- 1.2 Boats shall comply with Southampton & Portsmouth Harbour byelaws where applicable. In particular, notice is drawn to [ABP Southampton Notice to Mariners No 14 of 2019](#).
- 1.3 In the case of conflict the Class Rules will prevail over the RRS, the NoR will prevail over both the RRS and the Class Rules and the SI's will prevail over all other rules.

## 2 ADVERTISING

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

## 3 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 3.1 The events are open to all paid up members of the SB20 Class whose boat complies with class rules. Entrants are particularly reminded of class rule requirements in relation to personal memberships of a class association.
- 3.2 Entrants may be of any nationality but the National Championship included within the Open & UK National Championship will be awarded to the best placed qualifying team. To qualify, at least 50% of the team (including the helm) must be either UK citizens or a bona-fide UK residents and at least one person on board must be a UK Class Member.
- 3.3 In order to assist with social distancing, boats are limited to a maximum of three crew per boat. This amends Class rule "c3.2 a".
- 3.4 All entries shall be submitted to the Royal Southern Yacht Club by Wednesday 16th September 2020, and registration for both events shall be completed prior to 1200 on the first day of racing.
- 3.5 The closing date for normal entries is Friday 4th September 2020. Entries submitted after this date will be subject to payment of an additional late entry premium.
- 3.6 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 17 and under. The form will be available at registration, please contact the OA if you require the form in advance.

## 4 FEES

4.1

DEADLINE	NORMAL ENTRY	LATE ENTRY
	4th Sept	16th Sept
3 Day National Champs	£160	£210
4 Day with Sprint Champs	£200	£250

4.2

Entry for the UK Sprint Championship is only available to competitors also entering the Open & UK National Championship.

4.3

The entry fee covers berthing at the Royal Southern Yacht Club (as available), use of the clubhouse, AGM, prizes and the UK class association levy. Competitors are invited to dine at the club on Friday 18th September and tickets for this can be booked through the events team on [events@royal-southern.co.uk](mailto:events@royal-southern.co.uk).

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Refunds (less an administrative charge of £25) will only be given if cancellation is received by 1200 on Wednesday 16th September 2020.

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The online Entry Form and payment can be found at <https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/calendar/events/event/8174/>.

## 5 COMPETITION FORMAT

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The Sprint Championship will consist of a series of six scheduled races. The Open & UK National Championship will consist of a series of ten scheduled races.

## 6 SCHEDULE of EVENTS

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Club crane use requires advance booking ([see 13.1](#)).

6.2

The Race Committee may alter the number of races per day in order to preserve the nature of the championship in the event of inclement weather conditions.

- 6.3 Representatives of the UK Class Association may be on the water and may advise the race officer of the appropriate number of races to be sailed on each day.
- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1330 (BST) on Sunday 20th September.
- 6.5 **Schedule**

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	LOCATION
<b>Sprint Championship</b>			
Thursday 17th September	Crane In	0900—1130	RSrNYC
	Registration	0900—1200	RSrNYC
	Briefing	1200	TBD
	First Warning	1400	Central Solent
	6 Races	Back to back	Central Solent
<b>Open &amp; UK National Championship</b>			
Friday 18th September	Crane In	0900—1130	RSrNYC
	Registration	0900—1200	Dining Room
	Briefing	1200	TBD
	First Warning	1400	Central Solent
	Up to 3 Races	Back to back	Central Solent
	Class Dinner	1930	RSrNYC
Saturday 19th September	First Warning	1030	Central Solent
	Up to 4 Races	Back to back	Central Solent
	Regatta Party	1800	Dining Room
Sunday 20th September	First Warning	1030	Central Solent
	Up to 3 Races	Back to back	Central Solent
	Virtual Prize Giving	After racing	Facebook Live
	Crane Out	1330—1500	RSrNYC

## 7 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1 Boats and equipment may be inspected at any time during the regatta in accordance with class rules. Random spot checks will be carried out on the water.
- 7.2 During the championship, the keel should stay down during the whole event, crews may take their rudders off after racing each day and overnight.
- 7.3 A boat shall comply with RRS 78.1 during the event.
- 7.4 Boats should be wet by 1200 on the first day of each event, boats shall not be hauled during the National Championship without prior agreement from the race Committee.

## 8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing instructions will be available from 16th September 2020 on the website—<https://www.royal-southern.co.uk/calendar/events/event/8174/>.

## 9 VENUE and COURSES

- 9.1 Racing will take place in the Central Solent.
- 9.2 Courses will be Windward-Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions. Races will be approximately 20 minutes in duration for the Sprint Championship and approximately 50 minutes in duration for the Open & UK National Championship.

## 10 PENALTY SYSTEM

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

## 11 SCORING

- 11.1 **Sprint Championship**
- 11.1.1 A minimum of one race shall be completed to constitute the championship.
- 11.1.2 When fewer than 3 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 11.1.3 When 3 or more races have been completed; a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.2 **Open & UK National Championship**
- 11.2.1 A minimum of 2 races shall be completed to constitute the Championship.
- 11.2.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 11.2.3 When 6 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 11.2.4 When 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores

## 12 SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 All support boats shall be registered with the OA and will be required to comply with local regulations and must be suitably insured. Unregistered support boats will not be permitted on or near the course area.
- 12.2 During all racing and the times between races of the same day (i.e. from the first Warning Signal of the day until the last boat has finished the last race of the day) all support boat shall remain more than 100m from the racing area.

- 12.3 During racing (i.e. from the first Warning Signal of the day until a particular SB20 has finished the last race of the day) an SB20 shall not communicate with a support boat or its crew in any way. For the avoidance of doubt this includes the passing of rubbish, drinks, food, spares etc. between races and this rule specifically precludes sailors from talking to their coach/support team between races of the same day, unless they choose to retire from the rest of that day's racing.
- 12.4 The official class sponsored coach boat during the Sprint Championships is exempted from the above restrictions, it may operate in the race area and may offer advice to any and all SB20s at any time.
- 12.5 The race committee may request a support boat to enter the restricted area to rescue competitor(s) who is/are ill, injured or in danger. Sailing instructions may impose other requirements or restrictions upon support boats.
- 12.6 A team representing an educational school may talk to their coach/support boat between races, this varies 12.3.

### **13 BERTHING, LAUNCHING and HAUL OUT**

- 13.1 Sportsboat or RIB launching, recovery and berthing is available by prior booking. Please contact the Sailing Office in advance at [sailing@royal-southern.co.uk](mailto:sailing@royal-southern.co.uk).
- 13.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the National Championships except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

### **14 DIVING EQUIPMENT and PLASTIC POOLS**

- 14.1 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.

### **15 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 15.1 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.
- 15.2 The Race Committee may make use of marine VHF channel 72 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.

## **16 GPS TRACKERS and MOBILE PHONES**

- 16.1 Boats may carry mobile telephones but must not use them to communicate with support boats or gain outside assistance other than reviewing weather and tidal information that is publicly available on the Internet. They must not use any GPS functionality on a smart phone unless they are involved in a urgency or distress situation" This changes SB20 Class Rule C.4.2

## **17 PRIZES**

### **17.1 Sprint Championship**

A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the highest places boat in the UK Sprint Championships.

### **17.2 Open & UK National Championship**

- 17.2.1 A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the highest placed GBR boat. To qualify the boat should have a GBR sail number, at least one crew member should be a SB20 UK Class member and more than 50% of the crew must be UK citizens or bona fide residents.
- 17.2.2 Keeper prizes will be awarded for 1st to 3rd places in the series.
- 17.2.3 If there are 23 or more entries a 4th place prize will be awarded.
- 17.2.4 If there are 26 or more entries a 5th place prize will be awarded
- 17.2.5 If there are 29 or more entries a 6th place prize will be awarded
- 17.2.6 For every 3 more entries over 29 another place prize will be awarded
- 17.2.7 The Harken Youth Trophy will be awarded to the best-placed youth team. To qualify as a youth team, the average age of all of the crew must be below 30 years old and the helm's age must be below 30 years old.
- 17.2.8 The best-placed Masters team will be awarded bottle prizes. To qualify as a Master's team the average age of all of the crew must be 50 or more.
- 17.2.9 Masters and Youth entrants will be based on their age on the first day of the Championships. If less than 15% of the fleet qualify for either title the UK Class Committee may at their discretion move the age boundaries of either title. If this occurs the amendment will be posted on the official notice board by 1700 on the first day of the regatta.
- 17.2.10 The OA, Class Association or Sponsors may also award other prizes.
- 17.2.11 The award of trophies is subject to the rules listed at <http://www.sb20class.com/uk-trophies/>.

## 18 SB20 UK NATIONAL SERIES

- 18.1 All entrants who are UK class members will automatically be entered into the 2020 UK National Series as per <https://www.sb20class.com/2020-uk-series/>.

## 19 RISK STATEMENT

- 19.1 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 (if any) and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover (if any) is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be 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 for the event;
- (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat 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 is familiar to the crew.

## 20 INSURANCE

- 20.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## 21 MEDIA RIGHTS

- 21.1 Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the OA, Class Association and any party to which either 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.

## 22 PERSONAL INFORMATION

- 22.1 The personal information that owners, charterers, competitors and others provide to the Organizing Authority will be used to facilitate their participation in the event. If they have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If they are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Their personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

## 23 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 23.1 For further information, please contact the Royal Southern Sailing Office:

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