



**Kielder Water Sailing Club**  
**Dam to Dam Open Meeting (Handicap)**

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Sun 30<sup>th</sup> April & Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 Organising Authority**

1.1 The Organising Authority for the event will be Kielder Water Sailing Club (KWSC).

**2 Rules**

2.1 The racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS).

2.2 The following Racing Rules will be changed and these changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions:

- Personal Floatation Devices shall be worn by competitors at all times while afloat or on the jetty. This changes Rule 40.

2.3 Competitors should note that KWSC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they shall be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found on the club house notice board, in the RYA rule book and at <http://www.rya.org.uk>.

**3 Eligible Classes**

3.1 Sailing vessels of all classes are eligible with a Portsmouth Yardstick not slower than 1450.

**4 Conditions of Entry**

4.1 Entrants shall hold third party indemnity insurance for their boat with a minimum cover of £2,000,000. All competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

4.2 Entry Fees will be on the entry form.

**5 Registration**

5.1 Competitors may register at KWSC Race Office from 10:00 on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 2017.

5.2 Sailing Instructions will be issued at registration.

5.3 A briefing will be held on Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:00.

**6 Schedule of races**

6.1 There will be two long distance races covering the full extent of the lake (weather permitting), one on Sunday and one on Monday. The first warning signal will be on Sunday at 13:00. It is intended for the warning signal for the second race to be on Monday at 10.30.

## 7 Scoring

- 7.1 Scoring will be on the Low Points System in RRS Appendix A after application of Handicaps using the Portsmouth Yardstick system.
- 7.2 The scores from the two races on Sunday and Monday will count towards the Dam to Dam Endurance trophy. There will be no discards.

## 8 Liability

- 8.1 A helmsman is responsible for his/her boat's safety. Whether afloat or ashore nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 8.2 The helmsman shall decide whether the boat and the crew are fit for the prevailing or likely conditions. By launching and setting out to race, the helm confirms that the boat and crew are fit and competent and have the relevant experience to sail in those conditions.
- 8.3 **Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of each helm / crew, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The 'organisers' includes everyone helping to run the races and the event and includes the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, patrol boats and beach masters.**
- 8.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the helmsman / crew of their responsibilities.