



**Kielder Water Sailing Club**  
**Open Meeting**  
9th/10th September 2017

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**Also an Osprey Open Meeting**

**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 Competitors should note that KWSC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they shall be required to sign an undertaking to sail in compliance with the Charter, which can be found on the club house notice board, in the RYA rule book and at [www.rya.org.uk](http://www.rya.org.uk).

**3 Eligibility.**

- 3.1 The event is open to dinghies and multi-hulls.
- 3.2 There will be separate starts for Ospreys, Fast Handicap and Slow Handicap/Juniors. Classes with five or more entries will also be eligible for a separate start.
- 3.3 Handicap racing will be under the current published Portsmouth Yardstick Scheme (PY). The Slow Handicap/Junior start is for those not in an Osprey or other single class start, where either the boat has a PY greater than the 'Slow/Fast Handicap Threshold' or the helm is under 18 at the start of the event.
- 3.4 The 'Slow/Fast Handicap Threshold' PY will be announced at the briefing.

**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 The Entry Fees are as per the entry form.

## 5 Registration.

- 5.1 Competitors shall register at KWSC Race Office between 9:00 and 12:00 on Saturday.
- 5.2 Sailing Instructions will be issued at registration.
- 5.3 A briefing will be held on Saturday at 12:00.

## 6 Schedule of races.

- 6.1 There will be five races. The first warning signal on Saturday will be at 13:00. Subsequent race times will be advised in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.2 Scoring will be on The Low Point System.  
There will be one discard if three or more races are sailed.

## 7 Liability.

- 7.1 A helmsman is responsible for his/her boat's safety. Whether he/she is afloat or ashore nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 7.2 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.
- 7.3 **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.**
- 7.4 The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the helmsman / crew of their responsibilities.