



2021 RS Aero UK National Championships & International Open

18 – 22 August 2021

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

The Organizing Authority is Hayling Island Sailing Club
in conjunction with the RS Aero UK Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Competitors should note that Hayling Island SC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at: <https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/rules/racing-charter>
- 1.3 [DP] Competitors shall comply with the applicable Covid-19 restrictions. This includes the HISC Covid Racing & Visitor Training Policy.

2 COMMUNICATIONS & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 All event documents, including the sailing instructions, will be available at the event website: www.hisc.co.uk/sailing/open-events/rs-aero-nationals/
- 2.2 An online briefing will be available on the event website from 11 August.
- 2.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

3 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all RS Aero class dinghies.
- 3.2 Competing helms shall be members of the RS Aero Class Association.
- 3.3 Helms of Chartered or borrowed RS Aeros and Day Entries are excused Class Membership at this event.
- 3.4 Racing will be held in separate fleets for RS Aero 5, RS Aero 7 and RS Aero 9 rig options; boats may enter without specifying their rig, but shall do so at the event registration. Should competitors wish to change rig during the championship, they may do so once within their original entry fee, but all races completed using the changed rig will be scored as a separate entry.
- 3.5 [DP] A change of rig shall be notified in writing to the race office before the first race affected.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form on the Class website and submitting the entry fee. Entries after 14 August will incur higher entry fees, and will only be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.7 Boats may enter on a daily basis or for the whole event.
- 3.8 Competitors under 18 years of age shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations before racing.
- 3.9 By entering the event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

4 FEES

Entry fees per boat are as follows:

Overall event £160 After 14 August £180
Daily rate £39 After 14 August £45

The daily rate is available for a maximum of 2 days racing, and does not include social functions which can be ordered separately.

In the event of cancellation, refunds will be made in accordance with HISC Open Event Cancellation policy

www.hisc.co.uk/media/14715/open-event-cancellation-policy-2021.pdf

5 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

6 FORMAT OF RACING

The event will be run as single series for each fleet, or, with a large number of entries in a fleet, it may be divided into groups and racing will consist of a qualifying series and final series for that fleet.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration: Wed 18 & Thurs 19 August from 08:30.

7.2 Race schedule:

Date:	Event:	Time of 1st warning signal & scheduled races per day:	
		Time:	# Races:
Wed 18 Aug	RS Aero Challenge Cup	15:00	1
Thurs 19 Aug	RS Aero Nationals & International Open	11:00	3
Fri 20 Aug		11:00	3
Sat 21 Aug		11:00	3
Sun 22 Aug		11:00	2

7.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules.

9 VENUE

9.1 The racing area will be Hayling Bay with Chichester Harbour as an option in the case of bad weather.

9.2 Venue information is available at www.hisc.co.uk

10 COURSES

10.1 The courses will be windward/leeward or trapezoid.

10.2 The race target time will be 40 minutes.

11 SCORING

11.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 In a single series event:

- When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- When from four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score
- When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11.3 The scoring system to be used if a qualifying series and final series is used will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

12 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

[DP] Support boats shall register at the race office during the registration period.

13 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places whilst in the boat park.

14 PRIZES

The UK National Championship Title and 1st place Trophy in each Championship fleet shall be awarded to the highest placed competitor who is either (or both) British or whose main residence is within the UK. Prizes will be awarded to the top three helms in each fleet, the first Lady helm, and, depending on entries, for the following age categories (age as at 31 December 2021):

Grand Master:	65 and over	(Only the first 2 races of each day will count)
Master:	55 and over	(Only the first 2 races of each day will count)
Youth:	under 19	
Junior:	under 16	

15 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

16 INSURANCE

[DP] Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per incident or the equivalent.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

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