

NOTICE OF RACE

Royal Torbay Yacht Club

Laser SB3 Pre World Open

12th - 13th May 2011



1.0 **ORGANISATION**

1.1 The sailing races described in this NoR are organised by the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. All enquiries and correspondence should be addressed to: Secretary, Royal Torbay Yacht Club, 12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, TQ1 2BH. Tel: 01803 292006 Fax: 01803 200297. E-mail: admin@royaltorbayyc.org.uk

2.0 **RULES**

- 2.1 Races shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of the RYA, Laser SB3 Class Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The event will be Category Č according to ISAF Regulations Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 –2012.
- 2.3 On the water umpires or wardens may be used to aid rules observance and enforcement.
- 2.4 Members are reminded that all boats have to comply from 01st June 2008 with the new class minimum boat weight of 685kgs for this event and that boat weight checks may be made.
- 2.5 The Race Committee may run Spot Checks for mandatory equipment and impose penalties in the case of missing items.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The races are open to all Laser SB3s fulfilling the class membership criteria. A full or associate member of the association must be aboard each yacht whilst participating in the event.
- 3.2 Any changes of helm or crew during the event must be applied for in writing and agreed by the Race Committee in writing in advance of the change being made.

4.0 **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

- 4.1 Measurement and Inspection Yachts may be subject to inspection before and or after any race at the discretion of the event Race Committee and or the Laser SB3 UK District Class Association measurer or scrutineer.
- 4.2 Safety All yachts shall comply with the prescriptions set out in the Class Rules or the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for any of the events in the Series.
- 4.3 Yachts shall be equipped with a marine VHF Radio, the primary purpose of which is to monitor the Race Committee unless otherwise dictated by Class Rules. The Race Committee will communicate on Channel M1. 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.
- 4.4 The Organising Authority may require competitors to affix bow numbers provided by the RTYC and or sponsors advertising to both sides of the bow for the duration of the event.

5.0 **ENTRIES**

5.1 Entry Fee of £50. (To be paid by 01st May 2011) (3 methods of payment)

1. I enclose a cheque for £50 made payable to Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

2. Direct Bank Transfer of £50 to Account No 11277898 Sort Code 40-44-22

BIC MIDLGB2160A International Bank Account No GB50MIDL40442211277898

3. Royal Torbay Yacht Club Pay Pal Account, pay button on SB3 page of RTYC web.

If paying by Cheque please make the payment to Royal Torbay Yacht Club and on the back of the cheque, Laser SB3 Pre Worlds, the name and sail number of the boat. All charges relating to transfer of the entry fee shall be paid by the remitter.

- 5.2 Entries close at 1200 noon on 01st May 2011. Late entries will be accepted with a £60 late entry fee.
- 5.3 Crane in and out is included in World Entry.

6.0 SCORING

- 6.1 The Low Points Series of RRS Appendix A will be used.
- 6.2 Five Races are scheduled of which 2 shall constitute a series.
- 6.3 If up to 4 races are completed all race scores will count.
- 6.4 In the event of 5 races being sailed, one discard will be allowed (Amends RRS Appendix A2).

7.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 7.1 Registration and crew weigh-in will take place in the Race Office located on the ground floor of the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. Registration for the pre worlds may count for the Worlds also.
- 7.2 The race times stated are for the warning signal.

Date	Time	Event
Thur 12 th May	0900 hrs 1200 1355	Registration & Crew Weigh-In Begins - RTYC Race Office Competitor Briefing (Harbourside) Warning Signal for the first race of the day. It is intended to sail two races.
Fri 13th May	1025 hrs	Warning Signal for the first race of the day. It is intended to sail three races.

8.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions for the event will be available by Wednesday 11th May 2011 and will be posted on the Club website (www.royaltorbayyc.org.uk). Copies will be available for collection at registration and a copy will be displayed on the official notice board at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.
- 8.2 The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward full details will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9.0 **BERTHING – LAUNCHING**

- 9.1 SB3's may be rigged on Haldon Pier and either launched down the slipway into Torquay Harbour or by means of the South Pier Crane.
- 9.2 Visiting SB3's will be berthed on the new Events Pontoon in Torquay Harbour Town Dock. The Berthing Fees are included in the Entry Fee. Competitors must provide adequate fenders and mooring lines.

10.0 **RACE RESULTS**

10.1 Race results will be posted on the official notice-board situated in the RTYC after racing each day and on the Club website (www.royaltorbayyc.org.uk).

11.0 **PROTESTS**

11.1 The procedure for protests shall be in accordance with the current ISAF Rules.

12.0 **PRIZEGIVING**

- 12.1 The presentation of Prizes will take place following the end of protest time or after protests on Friday 13th May at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.
- 12.2 Prizes will be awarded for finishing positions 1-3. They may also be awarded for other positions.

13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS4.
- 13.2 A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.
- 13.3 It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 13.4 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in at least the amount stated in clause 14.1 below for the duration of the race.
- 13.5 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat 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 encompass everyone

helping to run the race and the event, and include amongst others the organising authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and Beachmasters.

13.6 In the event that assistance is rendered to any competitor, no liability for any loss, damage or injury is accepted by the Royal Torbay Yacht Club, the Race Committee or the crew of any rescue craft.

14 **INSURANCE**

14.1 Each boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party cover of not less than £2,000,000 and it is the owner or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate. No responsibility will be accepted by the Royal Torbay Yacht Club, or any other party involved in the organisation of the Race.