

SALCOMBE YACHT CLUB TOPPER OPEN 4 SEPTEMBER 2022 NOTICE OF RACE

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The title of the event is "Salcombe Yacht Club Topper Open 2022" and it is to be held at Salcombe Yacht Club.
- 1.2 The Open will be held on Sunday 4th September 2022.
- 1.3 This event is organised by Salcombe Yacht Club (SYC).
- 1.4 Salcombe Yacht Club supports the RYA Racing Charter: http://www.rya.org.uk/racing/Pages/RacingCharter.aspx

When entering, competitors will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Racing Charter.

1.5 Any changes to this Notice of Race (NoR) will be posted on the SYC Topper Open 2022 page on the SYC website not later than 23:59 hrs on Saturday 3rd September.

2 THE RACE SERIES

- 2.1 The races will be governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) which apply at the time of the race, the prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of Salcombe Yacht Club, the rules of the class associations, the by-laws of Salcombe Harbour Authority, the International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, this NoR and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 All boats entered must hold valid Class registration certificates or equivalent.
- 2.3 The number of races is indicative only and will depend upon weather conditions.
- 2.4 The following limits for entries will apply.

Overall maximum Toppers	50 boats

- 2.5 Entries must be made using ITCA(GBR) South West Region Entry Form available on the SYC website and submitted online with the fee as directed.
- 2.6 The entry fee is £12.50 for all entrants. Visitors to Salcombe are to pay a special rate of £10 per day to include parking for topper and trailer in designated area and parking for one car in parking area and Harbour Dues.

- 2.7 If the open is oversubscribed then acceptance of entries will be based upon earliest receipt of the entry fee.
- 2.8 SYC reserve the right to refuse an entry.
- 2.9 Sailing Instructions, the SYC Course Map and Directions for trailer parking will be available on the SYC Regatta page of the SYC website.
- 2.10 A Competitors' Briefing will take place at SYC on Sunday 4th September at 0930 at Batson.

3 FLEETS & CLASSES

- 3.1 Topper boats shall have a RYA Portsmouth Number of 1365. In order to qualify for trophies, they shall be sailed by competitors under 16.
- 3.2 SYC will operate a Regatta Fleet to support less experienced sailors.

4 RACE PROGRAMME

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Fleet	Start time	Class flag
Topper Race 1	10:30	Flag T
Topper Race 2	To follow race 1	Flag T
Topper Race 3	To follow race 2	Flag T

4.2 Races cancelled or abandoned will not be re-sailed.

5 RESTRICTIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SAILING

- 5.1 Responsibility A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 5.2 Competence It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 5.3 Class requirements All boats, crew and equipment must comply with the measurement and sailing requirements of the Class including efficient positive buoyancy.
- 5.4 *Insurance* The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims to the sum of at least £3,000,000.

- 5.5 Organiser's responsibility 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 a boat taking part in the racing. The Organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and event, and include the Organising authority, the Race committee, the Race officer and patrol boats.
- 5.6 Patrol boats The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
- 5.7 Inspections Class association membership, measurement certificates (or equivalent) or boats may be inspected before or after any race at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer (PRO), who may stop a competitor from entering or racing if the PRO considers an inspection unsatisfactory. An inspection does not absolve the boat owner or sailors of any of their responsibilities set out above.
- 5.8 *Minors* All competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event are required to complete a parental declaration, signed by their parent or guardian. This is available from the ITCA(Great Britain) South West Region.
- 5.9 *Personal Buoyancy* Rule 40.1 of the RRS shall apply whilst afloat. This makes the wearing of personal buoyancy whilst afloat mandatory.

6 SCORING SYSTEM

- 6.1 The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A as amended by Notice of Race 6.2, will apply.
- 6.2 All races will count.

7 TROPHIES AND PRIZES

8.1 The Open prize-giving will be held at Salcombe Yacht Club commencing at 14.00 on Sunday 4th September 2022 or as soon as possible thereafter.

8 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

9.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising 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. They also allow their names, age category, club and boat details to be displayed in competitors lists prior to the event and in results, on the SYC website and in other publications.

End of Notice of Race.

V1 Topper 18/08/2022