

Stokes Bay Sailing Club

Notice of Race

Rooster Southern Topper Traveller

11 July 2026 (Saturday)

The organising authority is Stokes Bay Sailing Club (SBSC), The Promenade, Stokes Bay Road, Gosport, PO12 2BL, UK.

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1. Rules

The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. Competitors will also behave in accordance with the [RYA Racing Charter](#).

2. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available on the ITCA GBR website (<https://www.itca-gbr.co.uk/>) by 20h00, Thurs 9 July 2026.

3. Eligibility and Entry

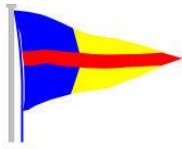
- 3.1. The event is open to all boats of the Topper class (Topper 5.3 and Topper 4.2 Rigs)
- 3.2. Competitors must be a member of the Topper Class Association (ITCA), or a member of Stokes Bay Sailing Club.
- 3.3. Boats may enter the event by registering online at: <https://www.itca-gbr.co.uk/> and by paying the entry fee no later than midnight Mon 6 July 2026.
- 3.4. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.5. The maximum number of entries is as follows, which may be amended at the discretion of the Organising Authority. Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first served basis.

Toppers	40
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4. Fees

4.1. Entry fees are as follows:

Topper 5.3 and 4.2	£30
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5. Schedule

- 5.1. The competitors briefing will take place at **09h30**, on the slipway in front of the club house (weather permitting), or alternatively upstairs in the club house
- 5.2. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is **10h55**
- 5.3. A maximum of four races will be sailed
- 5.4. No warning signal will be made after 16h00

6. Scoring

- 6.1. The Topper 5.3 and 4.2 fleets will be scored separately.
- 6.2. One race must be completed to constitute a series.
- 6.3. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 6.4. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

7. Prizes

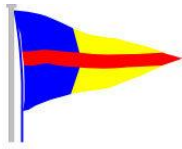
- 7.1. Prizes will be awarded dependent on the number of entries after the conclusion of the last race.

8. Risk Statement

Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;



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9. Insurance

- 9.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

10. Privacy Statement

The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's [privacy policy](#). When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

11. Rights to use Names & Likenesses

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.