



International Topper Class Association (GBR) Notice of Race for the Rooster Southern Traveller Series 2017, Chichester Harbour Series 2017, & Southern Area Championships 2017

1 Rules

- 1.1 The traveller series, Chichester Harbour Series and Southern Area Championships will be governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020*.
- 1.2 Prescriptions of the ITCA (GBR) and any other such instructions determined by the host club will apply.

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Only current members of a National Topper Class Association or paid up members of the host club may enter any of the events. Non members may pay a temporary weekend membership of the Association for £5 at registration.
- 2.2 The person and boat stated on the entry form for each event will be the only person that shall compete in that boat at that event.

3 Approved Sail

- 3.1 Only sails that are supplied by Topper International and stamped Race Approved Sail must be used.
- 3.2 Competitors may only use ONE sail during each event. If for any reason a sail requires changing the competitor MUST obtain written permission from the Race Officer before he/she may use a replacement sail.

4 Traveller Series Events

Traveller 1 Spinnaker SC, Hampshire April 9th

Traveller 2 Warsash SC, Hampshire May 21st

Traveller 3 Poole YC, Dorset June 11th

Traveller 4 Stokes Bay SC, Hampshire July 1st

Traveller 5 Chichester YC, West Sussex July 9th

Traveller 6 Burghfield SC, Berkshire September 2nd

Traveller 7 Island Barn SC, Surrey September 9th

Traveller 8 Bosham SC, West Sussex October 8th

*Event 1 in Chichester Harbour 5.3 Series

*RYA Zone Squad selector event

*Event 2 in Chichester Harbour 5.3 Series

4.1 Area Championship

Event 9 – 5.3 / 4.2 Area Championships - Hill Head SC, West Sussex October 22nd

Sailing Instructions

5.1 Sailing instructions will be published by the host club and be available at the event.

6 Scoring

- 6.1 The low points scoring system of Appendix A will apply
- 6.2 An event will be deemed to have been "sailed" when one or more starts have taken place

6.3 For the Traveller Series, the number of events to count shall be one plus half the number of events "sailed", rounded down to the nearest whole number. (i.e. if all 8 events are "sailed" there shall be a total of 3 discards for the Traveller Series (e.g. 5.3 and 4.2 = 5 to count). As the separate Chichester Harbour Series consists of only 2 events, no discards will apply for this mini-series. The Area Championships will be a stand-alone event and will not count towards the Traveller Series.

6.4 A DNC shall be scored as one more than the largest entry of all traveller series events.

7 Traveller Series Prizes

7.1 ITCA prizes for the traveller series will be awarded for: First Overall 5.3 and 4.2 Second Overall 5.3 and 4.2 Third Overall 5.3 and 4.2 In addition, there will be spot prizes at each event

7.1 Area Championship Prizes

7.2 ITCA prizes for the Area Championship will be awarded for: First Overall 5.3 and 4.2 Second Overall 5.3 and 4.2 Third Overall 5.2 and 4.2

8 Disclaimer of Liability

8.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4. Decision to Race.

"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 events, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
- 2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves and their boat and their other property whilst afloat or ashore.
- 3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission.
- 4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- 5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 6. The provision of the patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in those that prevail at the time.

The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

9 Insurance

9.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per event

10 Further Information

10.1 For further information please contact the following e-mail address – 'itcasouthliaison@gbrtopper.co.uk'