



International Topper Class Association (GBR)

Notice of Traveller Series

South West Area Traveller Series 2019

1 Rules

- 1.1 The traveller series 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 the 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	Porthpean SC, Cornwall	April 21st
Traveller 2	Castle Cove SC, Dorset	May 19 th
Super South	Poole Yacht Club, Dorset	June 1 st & 2 nd
Traveller 3	Cotswold SC, Gloucestershire	June 16 th
Area Champs	Paignton SC, Devon	June 22 nd & 23rd
Traveller 4	Saltash YC, Cornwall	September 8th
Traveller 5	Chew Valley SC, Bristol	September 22nd
Traveller 6	Starcross YC, Devon	October 6th
Traveller 7	Brixham YC, Devon	October 13th

5 Sailing Instructions

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

6 Scoring

- 6.1 Each Traveller event, the Super South Traveller, and the South West Area Championships shall each count as one race in the overall series such that a boat's overall position in any event is her race score in the overall series.
- 6.2 One race must be completed in an individual event for it to count towards the overall series.
- 6.3 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, as defined in NoS 6.1, excluding her worst scores. The number of scores to be excluded shall be equal to half the number of events, minus one, rounded up to the nearest whole number.
- 6.4 A boat who does not enter, or register, for any particular event, shall be scored DNC for that event in the overall series. A DNC shall be scored in accordance with RRS A9.

7 Traveller Series Prizes

- 7.1 ITCA prizes for the traveller series will be awarded for:

First Overall

Second Overall

Third Overall

First 4.2 Overall

8 Risk Statement

- 8.1 Rule 4 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 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 vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol vessel 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

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 event

10 Further Information

10.1 For further information please contact the area rep – Vanessa via arearep.southwest@gbrtopper.co.uk

10.2 By participating in this series, a competitor automatically grants to ITCA (GBR), the organising authority of any constituent event and any event or series sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the series, and of all of his/her material related to the series, without compensation.

10.3 In order to manage the series and events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NoS 10.2) will comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations. More details are available on request.