



Emsworth Slipper Sailing Club
The Quay, South Street, Emsworth, Hants, PO10 7EQ
Notice of Race
D-Zero Open Meeting – Saturday 20th May 2023
1st Start 1205

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. GOVERNING RULES

Racing will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the RYA, the Notice of the Race, these sailing instructions, the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, Chichester Harbour Bye Laws, and the appropriate class rules, subject to:

- (i) In the event of a conflict with the Notice of the Race these sailing instructions shall prevail;
- (ii) Any boat that is helmed in any race other than by the declared helm on the entry form shall be treated as a separate entry.

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITIES

Shall comprise: The Race Officer/s and Sailing Committee/s of Emsworth Slipper Sailing Club (ESSC)

3. RISK

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 any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (i) 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;
- (ii) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (iii) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (iv) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (v) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (vi) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

4. INSURANCE

Every competitor shall hold a valid and current certificate of insurance, which covers them whilst racing (including third party insurance over or up to at least £3 million) and will continue to do so whilst engaged in racing during the event.

5. CONDITION OF ENTRY

A valid Entry via the web app emsdinghies.com will:

- (i) Advise the sail number of the boat to be raced which is an Eligible Boat;
- (ii) Name the Helmsman; and

(iii) Be made at least 2 hours before the scheduled start time of any race that has a Committee Boat start or by the warning flag for any other race;

An Eligible Boat:

(i) Is of a class, not excluded by the Notice of Race, which is listed under "Centre-Board" in the current RYA Portsmouth Number List and is helmed by an Eligible Competitor.

(ii) An Eligible Competitor is a member or temporary member of ESSC or ESC not excluded hereunder, and who if under the age of 18 on the 1st January of the current year is named on a list which each respective club maintains of persons covered by a valid Junior Declaration.

6. SAIL NUMBERS

The Race Committee may permit a boat to use sails carrying an identifying number other than that required by RRS Appendix H, providing the number is not being used by another boat competing in the races.

7. ENTRY FEES

The entry fee is a donation to the Aldingbourne Trust, our Commodores Charity (usual entry fee would be £10). Unless already in possession of a Chichester Harbour or Langstone Harbour Plaque, an additional charge of £2.00 will be made to the Chichester Harbour Office (near Emsworth Harbour) on the day.

8. ENTRIES

Entries will be taken via emsdinghies.com and is available from the 18th May. Please look for the signon for the D-Zero Open and **NOT** the General Handicap 3 race series which is on the same day.

9. SCHEDULE OF RACES/WARNING SIGNALS

The schedule of races, the starting times and warning signals are:

| Start | Class | Pennant |
|-------|-----------|------------|
| 1200 | Gen H/Cap | Numeral 1 |
| 1205 | D-Zero | Class Flag |

Thereafter, subject to the Race Officer being satisfied with the position of the racing marks, the warning signal for subsequent races will be made shortly after the last competitor in the previous race has finished. The D-Zero warning signal will be the General Handicap start signal. Should a general recall occur for the General Handicap races, the D-Zero sequence will remain and the General Handicap start sequence for that particular race will commence on the D-Zero start signal. Subsequent start sequences will revert to the original sequence

Up to 4 races will be sailed.

10. D-ZERO PRIZES

Individual prizes for the D-Zero class only will be awarded to at least the first three places overall.

11. D-ZERO PRIZEGIVING

Will take place immediately after racing subject to resolution of any protests.

12. PROTEST COMMITTEE

The Race Committee shall appoint a Protest Committee to hear protests as necessary.

13. CHANGING ROOMS, SECURITY & VALUABLES

Members & Visitors to follow covid guidelines and no more than 6 at any one time in the changing rooms. Please do not wedge the doors open to the changing rooms, and/or not to leave valuables in the changing rooms.