NOTICE OF RACE





Blackwater Laser/ILCA & Solo Open

Blackwater Sailing Club

TITLE Blackwater Sailing Club

Laser/ILCA & Solo Open

DATE Saturday 30th September 2023

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Blackwater Sailing Club

VENUE Blackwater Sailing Club

Basin Road, Heybridge, Maldon, Essex CM9 4SD

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www.blackwatersailingclub.org.uk

Details of location, directions, facilities and accommodation can be obtained from the

contact below

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RULES Races will be governed by the rules as defined

in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 [RRS], the prescriptions of the RYA and the rules of the ILCA & Solo Class Associations except as amended in SI's. The Exoneration Penalty and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules

Disputes Procedures will be available.

All Solos are expected to conform to the relevant Class rules with respect to **ELIGIBILITY**

measurement and buoyancy requirements. The event is open to all Laser or ILCA dinghies. This event is not affiliated to ILCA and as such replica sails and other equipment can be used. ILCA 4, 6 & 7s will compete in the same race but will be treated as separate fleets for scoring

purposes.

If there are insufficient entries to constitute a fleet the organising authority reserve the rights to combine fleets and calculate the results using the current Portsmouth Yardstick scheme

ENTRY Entry should be online via the BSC website

https://blackwatersailingclub.org.uk/event-

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ENTRY FEE Entry fees for the event are £20 per boat.

ENTRY LIMIT

REGISTRATION In the Clubhouse from 09:00 on Saturday 30th

September.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be issued at Registration. Copies are also available on the BSC website. Boats and equipment will be

subject to scrutiny and/or measurement during the event at the discretion of the Race

Committee.

RACE SCHEDULE Three races are scheduled: for Saturday 30th September. Subsequent races will be sailed as soon as possible after the previous race has

finished.

Saturday 30th; first warning signal scheduled

for 12:45.

STARTS The starts will be by Committee Boat. Sufficient

time should be allowed to sail down river to

reach the start area.

COURSES See attachment 1 of Sailing Instructions

SCORING The low points scoring system of Appendix A of

the RRS will apply.

Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 3 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If 3 races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst

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 involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

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

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INSURANCE

All entrants are required to hold third party indemnity insurance with a minimum indemnity of five million pounds Sterling or equivalent for the total period of the event and affirm such cover to the Organizing Authority. Entrants not from the UK need to have the accepted Normal Min. level of liability insurance for their country (this level needs to be displayed to all other competitors).