

# NOTICE OF RACE



## International Contender European Championship 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016

**Hosted by:** Highcliffe Sailing Club, Mundeford Quay, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 4AB

**Organised by:** Highcliffe Sailing Club in collaboration with the British Contender Association (BCA), International Contender Association (ICA) and Royal Yachting Association (RYA)

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The class rules of the ICA will apply.
- 1.3 The ICA Championship Rules provide guidance only.
- 1.4 Appendix P will apply.
- 1.5 The sailing instructions may provide changes to the RRS.
- 1.6 Rule 77 and Appendix G (Identification on sails) will strictly apply.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to competitors with boats of the International Contender class, holding valid measurement certificate. All competitors must be member of their National Contender Class Association.
- 3.2 Eligible boats must be entered on or before the first day of racing. Entry shall be via the official championship website ([www.contendereuros2016.com](http://www.contendereuros2016.com)) unless otherwise agreed by the organising committee.
- 3.3 Each competitor shall personally register and sign the registration form at the regatta office.



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- 3.4 Registration includes presenting
- evidence of current membership of their National Contender Association;
  - The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third-party claims in the sum of at least £2 million;
  - a valid measurement certificate as required by the class rules.

## 4 FEES

- 4.1 The required entry fee is £250.00
- 4.2 The entry fee shall be £300.00 if the entry is received after 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016

## 5 RACING FORMAT

- 5.1 Ten races are scheduled for the Championships.
- 5.2 If the number of participants exceeds 120, the regatta may consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

## 6 SCHEDULE

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Event</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat	09.00	Registration and Measurement
4 <sup>th</sup> Sun	09.00	Registration and Measurement (Practice Race 2pm)
5 <sup>th</sup> Mon	12.30	Race 1 and 2
6 <sup>th</sup> Tue	12.30	Race 3 and 4
7 <sup>th</sup> Wed	12.30	Race 5 and 6
8 <sup>th</sup> Thu	12.30	Race 7 and 8
9 <sup>th</sup> Fri	12.30	Race 9 and 10 (no warning signal after 14.30)

## 7 BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 7.1 All competitors may enter no more than one hull, two sails, one mast, one boom, one centre-board and two rudders.
- 7.2 In the event of damage, replacement equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the Race Committee. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start of a racing day and before the last start of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the measurer for the event or the Race Committee. The written permission shall be applied for before the end of the protest time limit at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.

## 8 MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 There will be an appropriately qualified measurement committee for the event
- 8.2 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate .
- 8.3 All boats and equipment entered for the European Championships shall be presented for measurement.
- 8.4 All boats must comply with the International Contender Class Measurement rules.
- 8.5 Spot checking may also be performed on and off water during the regatta. A boat found to be non-conforming will be protested.

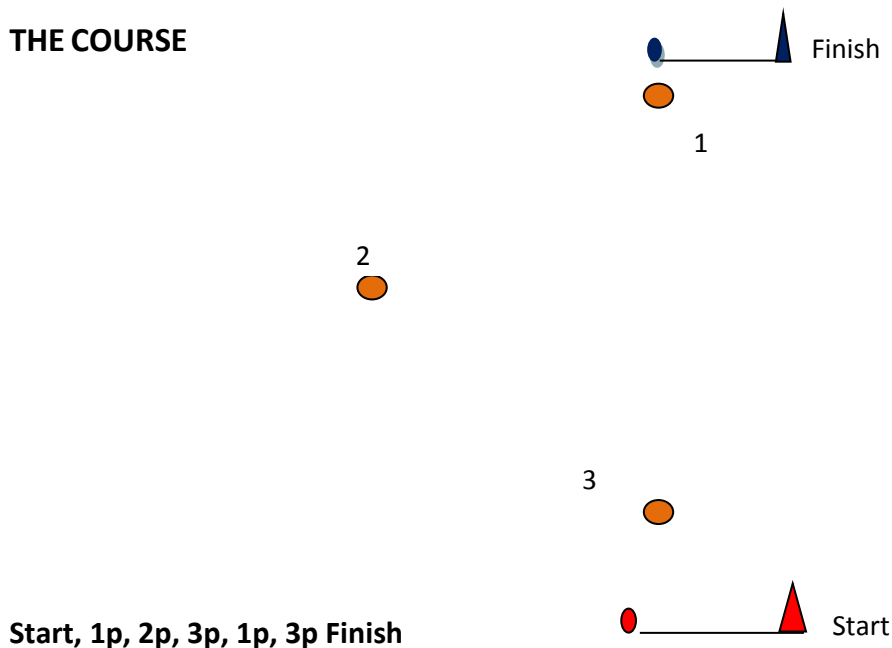
## 9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organising Authority will produce Sailing Instructions which will be available in hard copy at registration from 09.00 on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2016.

## 10 VENUE

- 10.1 The event will be administered from Highcliffe Sailing Club, Mudeford Quay, Christchurch, Dorset, BH23 4AB, UK
- 10.2 The race area will be in “Christchurch Bay” See event website ([www.contendereuros2016.com](http://www.contendereuros2016.com)) for more detail

## 11 THE COURSE



## 12 Jury Decisions

Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

## 13 SCORING

13.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 13.2 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. However, when qualifying series and final series are scheduled, a score from a race in the final series may be excluded only if two or more final-series races have been completed.
- (c) When nine or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. However, when qualifying series and final series are scheduled, only one score from the final series may be excluded.

## 14 SUPPORT BOATS

14.1 All support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The Organising Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

14.2 All support boats shall clearly display the three letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat.

14.3 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.

## 15 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

## 16 PRIZES

16.1 The first 10% placed boats will be awarded prizes, with a minimum of three prizes. If separate fleets have been used, then prizes will be awarded to each fleet.

16.2 The following prizes will also be awarded:

- The Junior Champion will be the first overall under the age of 21 on the date of the first scheduled race of the Championship;
- The Master Champion will be the first overall aged 50 years old or more on the date of the first scheduled race of the Championship;
- The Grand Master Champion will be the first overall aged 60 years old or more on the date of the first scheduled race of the Championship;
- Female European Champion will be the first female overall of the Championship;

The event organising committee shall host:-

1. An opening ceremony and buffet on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September
2. A BBQ on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September
3. The Championship Dinner on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September

In addition there shall be a free beer and snack after each days racing and the bar shall be open each day from 2pm

The social program may be subject to minor variation and more information will be available on the event website.

## 18 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

## 19 **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2 million per incident or the equivalent.

## 20 **RACE OFFICE**

The race Office within Highcliffe Sailing Club, Mudeford Quay, Christchurch, BH23 4AB