



29er World Championships

Weymouth, Great Britain

27th July to 4th August 2023

The Organising Authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy in conjunction with the International 29er Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Penalties: In RRS 44.1 "Two-Turns Penalty" is changed to "One-Turn Penalty"

1.3 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, shall apply, with RRS P2.1 to P2.3 deleted and replaced by:

P2.1 First and Second Penalty

When a boat is penalized under rule P1.2 for the first or second time during the event, her penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty under rule 44.2. If she fails to take the penalty she shall be disqualified without a hearing.

P2.2 Third and Subsequent Penalties

When a boat is penalized a third or subsequent time during the event, she shall promptly retire. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing and her score shall not be excluded.

1.4 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race. The Class Race Management Guidelines will also apply, but a failure to follow these Guidelines is not on its own grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

https://29er.org/images/29er_Race_Management/29er_Race_Management_Guidelines-201904.pdf.

1.5 The RYA National Prescriptions that apply are detailed in Attachment C.



1.6 Appendix T shall apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.29erworlds.org at the latest five days before the event. No paper copies will be handed out.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 The official notice board is located online at www.29erworlds.org

3.2 Except in emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 29er Class Association.

4.2 Eligible boats may enter through the event website www.29erworlds.org via OurClubAdmin.

4.3 Competitors must be 13 years old before 31st December 2023. Entries from sailors under this age will NOT be accepted by the Organising Authority.

4.4 Russian and Belarusian nationals are not permitted to enter the Championship.

4.5 **Parent/Guardian Declarations:** All helms and crews under 18 years of age during the event shall complete a signed Parent/Guardian declaration as part of the entry form which will be emailed to each competitor for their records when entry for the event is complete for the team. During registration competitors may disclose any medical data they feel is relevant to the organisers. This information will be held confidentially and destroyed after the event unless there is a legal reason for its retention.

5. FEES

5.1 Entry fees; Standard Entry £ 610 (until 9th July 2023), Late Entry £ 675.

5.2 Entries will only be accepted after 9th July 2023 at the discretion of the Class Executive with the payment of the Late Entry Fee.

5.3 Coach Event Registration Fee: £ 100 per person. All registered coaches will have the same rights and access as the participants (including meals and event facilities).

5.4 Refund of Entry Fees: if a team withdraws from the World Championships, the entry fee will be refunded as follows;

- Up to 9th July 2023: 50% of the entry fee will be refunded.
- After 9th July 2023: Refunds shall **not** be granted.

5.5 Cancellation; if the World Championship is cancelled each competitor or coach shall receive a refund of 75% of the entry fees he or she paid.

6. [NP][DP] ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority and the International 29er Class Association. Boats shall affix the stickers in accordance with instructions given by the Organising Authority.

7. FORMAT OF RACING

The regatta will consist of a Qualifying series and a Final series.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 The Championship schedule will be as follows:



Thursday 27th July	Race Office open	0900
	Registration and Inspection	0900 - 1800
Friday 28th July	Registration and Inspection	0830 - 1800
Saturday 29th July	Registration and Inspection	0830 - 1800
	Practice race	1400
	Competitors briefing	1815
	Opening Ceremony	1900
Sunday 30th July	Qualifying races	1100
Monday 31st July	Qualifying races	1100
Tuesday 1st August	Qualifying races	1100
	Regatta Dinner	1830
Wednesday 2nd August	Final series races	1100
Thursday 3rd August	Final series races	1100
Friday 4th August	Final series races	1000
	Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony	TBC

8.2 On Friday 4th August there will be no warning signal after 1500.

8.3 Each race day, a daily briefing will be held in Spinnakers at 0900.

9. MEASUREMENT

9.1 Measurement - all competitors will be required to complete an equipment registration form prior to sailing.

9.2 All equipment will be required to pass the "Inspection" prior to the first day of racing, according to the schedule (see NOR 8.1). The timetable for inspections will be published in due course.

9.3 Only one set of sails, and one forestay, shall be used throughout the regatta.

9.4 Equipment shall only be replaced with the permission of the Technical Committee.

9.5 Random equipment inspection will take place on and off the water without notice.

9.6 Non-Class legal equipment is not permitted in the venue from the first day of Inspection.

10. VENUE

10.1 The 2023 29er World Championships will be held at the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Portland, UK.

For mailing/shipping: please contact Sally Reynoldson at Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy sally.reynoldson@wpnsa.org.uk

10.2 Racing will take place in the coastal waters in front of Portland Harbour and Weymouth Bay

10.3 Attachment A shows the approximate location of the racing areas.

11. COURSES

Courses will be windward-leeward with a gate at the leeward end of the course. The race target time will be 30 minutes.

12. SCORING

12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

12.2 THREE Qualifying races are required to be completed by all fleets to constitute a regatta.

12.3 FIVE Qualifying races are required to be completed by each fleet to constitute a Qualifying Series. If five races are not completed as scheduled, for all fleets, the Qualifying Series will be extended.



12.4 The Qualifying Series points less discard are carried forward to the Final Series.

13. [NP][DP] SUPPORT VESSELS

13.1 Support vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the 29er Class Support Vessel Regulations. Please see Attachment B.

13.2 Coaches are required to register through the event website www.29erworlds.org on OurClubAdmin and pay the appropriate fee as per NOR 5.3.

13.3 All support vessels shall clearly display their national letters at all times while afloat. The minimum height of the letters shall be 200mm and visible from both sides of the boat.

13.4 If called upon support vessels will be required to act as rescue boats.

14. SAFETY

In the event of an emergency on the water, the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping off point for safety boats coming from the racing area will be next to the ramp on the R3 hard. The Sailing Instructions will provide all details about the procedure and health services. The venue will be equipped with medical personnel.

15. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

16. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories,

- a. Men's World Champions 1st to 3rd
- b. Women's World Champions 1st to 3rd
- c. Open World Champions 1st to 3rd
- d. Overall 1st to 10th
- e. Under 17 World Champions 1st to 3rd male, 1st to 3rd female and 1st to 3rd Open (must be born in 2007 or later)
- f. Silver, Bronze, Emerald, Purple and White Fleets 1st to 3rd (assuming 6 fleets)
- g. Top 25 Sail Numbers: the top 25 teams shall be awarded the corresponding sail number and recognized at the prize giving ceremony. Sail numbers shall be provided by Ovington Boats.
- h. The Nations Cup shall be awarded to the nation with the best performance at the World Championships.

Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

17. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

Where consent has been given for imagery, competitors grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event. A drone may be flown by a licensed company to record video and still imagery primarily for the event advertising and promotion.

Only drones of the Organising Committee or with the approval of the organiser may be flown on the venue and the racing area.

18. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 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 inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and their responsible adult 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 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 boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f) The provision of patrol boat 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 produced for the event and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euros 1.5 million per event or the equivalent.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

For information on travel and accommodation, including lists of local hotels, holiday rentals, B&B's, campervans, caravans and camping please check the local event website www.29erworlds.org

21. CHARTER BOATS

For official charter information please see the link below

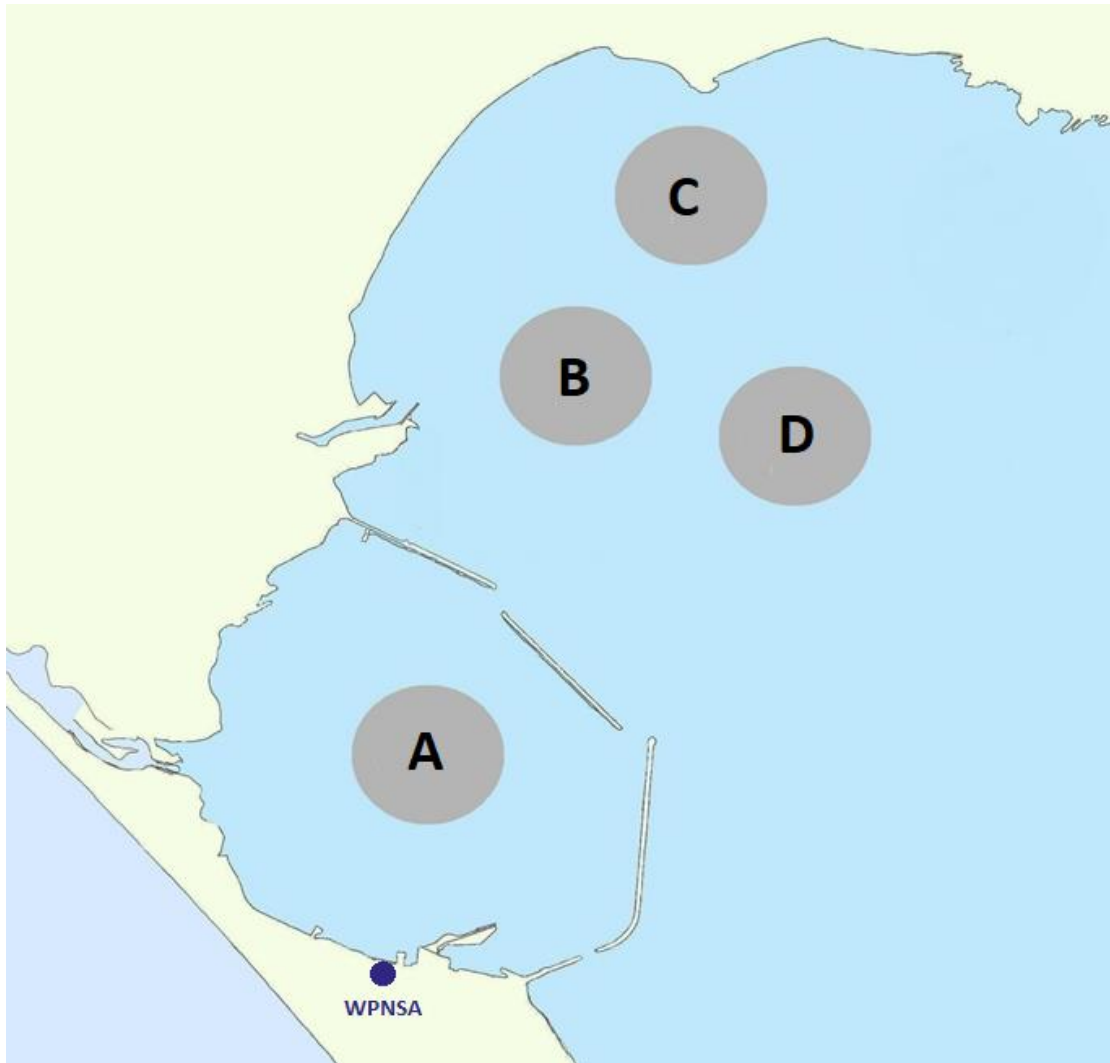
<https://www.29erworlds.org/logistics/29er-charter-boats/>

CHARTER RIBs

For official charter RIB information please see the official website.

Attachment A

Course Locations



Attachment B

SUPPORT VESSEL REGULATIONS *29er*

WEYMOUTH AND PORTLAND NATIONAL SAILING ACADEMY

Support Vessels shall carry the following Equipment on board

- Life jackets / buoyance aids for the driver and all passengers,
- Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser) with a spare kill cord on the support boat
- VHF radio capable of receiving instruction from Safety or Race Committee
- First-aid kit
- Device for making a sound signal

MUSTO

- Compass
- Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth
- Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick)
- Knife

Support Vessel Regulations

- Support Vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with their applicable national sail letters clearly displayed, the minimum height for these letters is 200mm.
- Support Vessels shall comply with all local regulations
- Support Vessels shall follow Race Committee instructions on the designated VHF channel
- **Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running**
- Life jackets / buoyance aids - it is recommended that they are worn at all times when afloat and **shall** be worn in winds of over 10 knots or when motoring at more than 10 knots
- Support vessels shall not be positioned, except during rescue operations
 - Closer than 100 metres of any boat racing
 - Within 100 metres of the starting line and its extensions from two minutes after the orange attention signal until all boats have left the starting area.
 - Within 100 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark
 - Within 100 metres of the finishing line while boats are finishing
 - In addition, support vessels that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing

Local Regulations

- Support Vessels shall complete registration before launching.
- In order to prevent fuel spillage, refuelling of boats/tanks is not permitted on the pontoons at WPNSA. Boats may refuel at Portland Marina fuel pontoon or tanks may be taken offsite to be refuelled at a local service station.
- Boats shall not transit at any time through the RNSA moorings, which are to the left of the Marina exit as leaving the Marina.
- Only the Northern entrance should be used in leaving or returning to Portland Inner Harbour, unless directed otherwise by an Official or Portland Harbour Authority Boat.
- The chart on the following below shows the Portland Harbour Speed Limits and Restrictions which must be adhered to.

Coach Registration

- On registration coaches will be required to confirm the sail numbers of the boats they are supporting
- On registration coaches will be required to confirm that their boat has third party insurance to the value of a minimum of Euros 3 million.

Attachment C



PRESCRIPTIONS

With effect from 1 January 2021, the RYA prescribes

Rule

4 Acceptance of the Rules

Add new rule 4.6:

Each competitor and boat owner shall ensure that their *support persons* comply with the *rules*.

Add new rule 4.7:

The penalty for a breach of rule 4 shall be at the discretion of the protest committee.

6.1 Anti-Doping

The national authority procedural rules required to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through World Sailing Regulation 21 are the **RYA Anti-Doping Rules**, as published on the RYA website.

67 Damages

1. Any issue of liability or claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and not considered by a protest committee.
2. A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a *rule*.

86.3 Rule Changes

An organizing authority wishing to develop or test alternative racing rules shall obtain prior approval from the RYA. An application form is available from the RYA. The notice of race shall include the approved alternative rules. The organizing authority shall promptly report the results of the development or test to the RYA.

88.2 Changes to National Authority Prescriptions

Notices of race and sailing instructions shall not change a prescription of the RYA. However, when an international jury has been appointed for an event, only the prescriptions to rules 4, 6, 67, 86.3 and 88.2 shall apply.

NOTE The RYA Prescription to rule 88.2 was approved by World Sailing on 29 July 2020.