



2024 Pro Set National Championship of the International OK Dinghy British Class Association

18th July – 21st July 2024

Hosted by Brixham Yacht Club. All competitors and their friends will be honorary members of BYC for the duration of this event.

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The 2024 OK Dinghy National Championships will be held at Brixham Yacht Club. The Organising Authority is the International OK Dinghy British Class Association and Brixham Yacht Club.

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

Notice of Race (NoR)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 -2024.
- 1.2 The relevant rules, policies and byelaws of Brixham Yacht Club (BYC) will apply. The BYC Byelaws and rules will be available on application to the organising authority.
- 1.3 Class Rules are available on the relevant Class Association web site and apply.
- 1.4 Protocols relating to Covid 19 may be published at any time and will state if they have a status of a rule. [DP]
- 1.5 RRS 40.1 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.6 In the case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, SIs will take precedence. This changes rule 63.7



2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published before 11th July 2024

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official noticeboard before the first day of the event is located on the BYC website.
- 3.2 During the event, Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board (ONB) at the Brixham Yacht Club which is located in the window of the Race Office which is an outside office on the harbour side of the club called the 'Holman Room', near the top of the steps from the main club house to the dinghy compound.
- 3.3 While racing except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 3.4 A competitor WhatsApp group will be set up to assist competitors. This site is not the ONB.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Entry

- 4.1.1 The championship is open to any OK class dinghy helmed by a full, Associate or Junior member of IOKDBCA.
- 4.1.2 Any competitor under 18 years of age on 18th July 2024 is required to enter under submission of a parent/Guardian authorisation.
- 4.1.3 Helms who are members of overseas International OK associations and reside overseas to exclusion of 4.(a)(i) above and 4.(b)(III) below will be permitted to race and be eligible for prizes, but will not be eligible for British trophies.

4.2.1 Certification

- 4.2.1 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate which shall be produced to OA upon request.
- 4.2.2 The OA reserves the right to require any boat, sail or competitor to be submitted for measurement at any time before or during the series.

4.2.3 Competing boats must display a current OKDIA sticker.

4.3 Insurance

4.3.1 Each boat must have third party insurance cover of not less than £3,000,000 valid for the full duration of the event, both on-site at BYC and whilst afloat or racing.

5. FEES

5.1 Standard entry payments made on or before June 30th 2024 is £165.

5.2 Standard entry payments made on or after July 1st 2024 is £185.

5.3 Junior entry payments made on or before June 30th 2024 is £125.

5.4 Junior entry payments made on or after July 1st 2024 is £145.

5.5 Entries made after 14th July 2024 may be accepted subject to the discretion of the OA.

5.6 Sailors who for unavoidable circumstances, cannot sail the full 4 day may participate in the event over the Saturday and Sunday only at a fee of £80

5.7 All entrants are requested to provide a preferred telephone number for WhatsApp communications.

5.8 The entry proforma should be completed and submitted online prior to deadlines indicated above.

5.9 All entrance type will include one ticket for the 3-course class meal at the clubhouse on Saturday evening (20th July 2024). Additional guest tickets are available to purchase on the entry form, or at registration on day one of the event.

5.10 Refunds of 75% will be given for cancelled entries before 18 June 2024, 50% from 19 June to 10 July 2024, but no refunds will be given after 11 July 2024.

6. EVENT CLASSIFICATION

6.1 These Championships are designated as a Category C event. Advertising is permitted as per Category A, and in addition on hulls, spars and sails without restriction except the space reserved for identification by Appendix G (Sail Identification)

6.2 The OA may require competitors to display Event Sponsors advertising.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration will be at Brixham Yacht Club

7.2 Racing Schedule – See Sailing Instructions

7.3 The warning signal for Race 1 on 18th July will not be before 1255hours.

7.4 The race schedule may be amended if the series falls behind or if predicted conditions warrant it. No more than 3 races shall be sailed on any one day and no more than 2 races on the Sunday.

7.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400hrs.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Equipment inspection. Boats and Competitors shall be made available at any time during the event for scrutinization.

9. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

9.1 Rule 40.1 shall apply at all times on the water

10. VENUE

10.1 The racing area will be in Torbay, Admiralty Chart 26 and will usually be located within the area indicated in Appendix 1.

11. COURSES

11.1 The courses will be defined in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

11.2 The courses will be “triangle, Sausage, Triangle in nature.

11.3 Intended target time for the lead boat will be 50 minutes. Variation from this will not be considered as grounds for protest.

11.4 Flag ‘W’ finishing may be used to expedite collection of stragglers who appear significantly behind the leaders.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 No provision

13. SCORING

13.1 Eight Races are scheduled of which, in order to constitute a series, three shall be completed over at least two days.

13.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, there will be no discard.

13.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat's score will permit one worst-race discard.

14. DATA PROTECTION

14.1 The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing and Racing rules of sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

14.2 Competitors automatically grant to the organizing 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.

15. RISK STATEMENT

15.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia of other causes. 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 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 venue or event and to attend any competitor briefing held for the event.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 The main prize giving will be held after sailing on Sunday 21st July. Individual race prizes will be presented daily during the evening. In event of 'Spot Prizes' being awarded absentees may be replaced by a 'next' draw.

1st Points Race Hugh Patton Trophy

2nd Points Race Wilf Burnley Trophy

3rd Points Race Seahorse Trophy

4th Points Race City of Plymouth Trophy

5th Points Race Ron Parkin Trophy

6th Points Race Marlow Salver



7th Points Race Yachts and Yachting Trophy

8th Points Race Zephyr Shield

The National Championship Trophy Overall winner

Overseas winner

7.2 Prizes will also be awarded to:

Runner-up overall, Leading Junior, Leading Veteran, Leading Master, Leading Grand Master, Leading Lady, Leading helm with boat >25 years old, Tin Rig Trophy, Team Trophy and newcomers award.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE



Appendix 1

