

NOTICE OF RACE

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The NSSA Double Handed Team Racing Championship, for two boat teams, will take place on 21-22 March 2026.
- 1.2. The event is open to any team meeting the conditions below.
- 1.3. The event will be sailed in two person dinghies supplied by the Organising Authority; these will either be:
 - 1.3.1. Junior Fleet in RS Fevas (no spinnaker).
 - 1.3.2. Youth Fleet in Fireflies.
- 1.4. The event will be sailed at Yorkshire Dales Sailing Club, Hebden, Skipton BD23 5ED

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 2.1. The organising authority (OA) is North East & Yorkshire Youth Sailing Association (NEYSSA) in conjunction with Yorkshire Dales Sailing Club (YDSC)

3. RULES

- 3.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 3.2. Races will be umpired.
- 3.3. The current UK Team Racing Association (UKTRA) Team Racing Sailing Instructions will apply. These will be available on NEYSSA website, K-Sail event page and at registration.
- 3.4. In accordance with RRS 70.3(b) the right of appeal is denied.

4. ENTRIES & DEPOSIT

- 4.1. Applications for entry are invited from organisations who are current members of NSSA. Membership is available on the NSSA website. <https://www.nssa.org.uk/>
- 4.2. All sailors in a team must be individual members of the NSSA and members of the organisation they represent and should not change teams during the event.
- 4.3. All sailors must be U19 on 1 Sept 2026, in addition for the Junior Fleet (RS Feva) all sailors must be U17 on 1 Sept 2026.
- 4.4. Entries to the event will be restricted to a maximum of **36 Teams**.
- 4.5. The deadline date for receipt of priority entries is **20:00hrs on 6 Feb 2026**. Any entries received after this date will not be considered until all priority entries have been reviewed.
- 4.6. Request for entry shall be made exclusively through the NEYSSA Team Racing Entry Form available at www.neyyssa.org/teamracing
- 4.7. Teams must provide a responsible shore-based team manager; team managers must be over 18; team managers may be responsible for more than one team.
- 4.8. Each Team must provide a minimum of one volunteer to assist on the water; this is in addition to the team manager. NEYSSA reserves the right to use, or not use the team volunteer to assist with event management, at their discretion.
- 4.9. If more than 36 teams have applied by 6 February 2026, teams will be accepted in the following order
 - a) One team in each fleet per organisation

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- b) An additional team in each fleet for the organising authority and those organisations providing significant additional volunteers or equipment.
 - c) Additional teams to other organisations.
 - d) A second additional team in each fleet for the organising authority and those organisations providing significant additional volunteers or equipment.
 - e) In order of the date and time that entry is received.
- 4.10. Decisions of the OA about entry or eligibility shall not be cause for redress. This changes RRS 62.1
- 4.11. Each team shall supply a set of 4 identical bibs. The colour and style of the bib should be stated on the entry form. The OA may request teams to provide alternative bibs; this will be confirmed by the OA when the entry is confirmed per NoR 4.12. The OA may provide alternative bibs for a team.
- 4.12. All sailors must wear the team bibs when competing at the event.
- 4.13. All teams will be notified by email by **20:00hrs on 15 February 2026** whether or not their entry has been accepted.
- 4.14. Invited teams must complete their entry and pay their entry fees by **20:00hrs on 25 February 2026**. Entry will only be confirmed once payment for the whole team is complete. Teams who have not completed their entry and paid their fees by this deadline will be deemed to have forfeit their place and it will be offered to the next eligible team in the waitlist.
- 4.15. The entry fee is £260 per team.
- 4.16. Should there be any remaining places after 25 February 2026, late entries will only be accepted when accompanied by immediate payment of the entry fee.
- 4.17. Team managers must submit all sailors lists and ensure consent forms for each sailor (available via www.neyysa.org/teamracing) are submitted by 20:00hrs on 12 March 2026.
- 4.18. No competitor shall sail for more than one team.
- 4.19. After 12 March 2026, the nominated sailors or bib allocation shall not be changed without the prior written approval of the race committee.
- 4.20. NEYYSA reserves the right to decline admittance to the event or venue to any sailor or supporter as they see fit, without cause or justification.

5. DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 5.1. Each team will be liable for the cost of damage, but not 'fair wear and tear', to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of £500 per incident. By entering, the team, their parents and team manager agree to the damage process detailed in Attachment 1 to this Notice of Race.

6. EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The intended format of the event will be available at registration.
- 6.2. Registration **for all competitors** will take place from 0830 to 0900 on the first morning in the clubhouse. At the event organisers discretion, registration may be available on Friday evening 1900 – 2100.
- 6.3. The competitor briefing for all competitors will either be online prior to the event or will take place no later than 0830 hours on Saturday 21 March 2026.
- 6.4. The first warning signal each day will be no earlier than 0830.
- 6.5. There will be no warning signal after 1830 on the first day and no warning signal after 1530 on the last day.

7. BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

- 7.1. Rule 40.1 is in place for all competitors and support crews at all times whilst afloat or on the jetties.

- 7.2. Competitors will be required to wear a full wet-suit or dry-suit.
- 7.3. If the OA provides bibs for the team to wear, the team shall be responsible for returning the bibs to the OA at the end of their racing. A damage charge will be made for any loss or damage to an allocated bib.

8. RISK STATEMENT AND INSURANCE

- 8.1. RRS Rule 3 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 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.

9. PRIZES

- 9.1. Prizes will be awarded to the overall winners of the event.
- 9.2. Additional prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

10. PRIVACY STATEMENT

- 10.1. The personal information you provide to the organising 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.
- 10.2. 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 organising authority's privacy policy.
- 10.3. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 10.4. All personal data provided via the medical consent form will be held confidentially by the organising authority and destroyed 3 months after the event unless there is an agreement in writing to retain the information for longer between the organising authority and individual and their parent/guardian. Information provided will be shared confidentially with key event team members as necessary to facilitate the safe delivery of the event.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Attachment 1 –DAMAGE AGREEMENT

Competitors shall show due care and attention to the venue, boats and equipment provided for their use during the event.

Damage to boats causes delay and impacts everyone involved at the event. This attachment provides guidance to competitors and officials on how the cost of any damage that does occur will be assessed and allocated to teams as equitably as possible.

A. DAMAGE AGREEMENT

- A1 By entering the event, the team / their parents expressly agrees to comply with this process without delay or dispute. A failure to comply with an instruction or invoice issued may result in disqualification of the team from completed or future races without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- A2 Each team shall be liable for up to £500 of damage-related costs per incident (this includes boats, equipment and property).
- A3 Any decision on the amount and allocation of any damage-related costs is solely for the Organising Authority to determine. However, a team or the Organising Authority may ask the Protest Committee for its opinion on allocation when there is substantial disagreement between the team and the Organising Authority.
- A4 Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams.
- A5 The Organising Authority may amend or cancel a damage notice at any time and may reinstate a team disqualified.

B. DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

- B1 An initial assessment of damage will be made as soon as possible following an incident.
- B2 Further inspection and assessment of the damage shall have no effect on any penalty given by umpires or the protest committee, but may affect the amount of damage-related costs.

C. PAYMENT OF DAMAGE-RELATED COSTS

- C1 The Organising Authority may require a team to make an intermediate payment, up to the amount defined in paragraph A2 above, against allocated damage costs before the team may sail again.
- C2 If allocated damage-related costs are not paid at the event, the Organising Authority will issue an invoice to the team / their parents. Invoices shall be paid (without set-off or deduction) within 14 days unless an extension is agreed with the Organising Authority.
- C3 Failure to pay a damage invoice within 14 days (or any extension period) is a breach of this agreement and the Organising Authority may as a result:
 - a) Add an administrative fee of £30 per invoice to cover the costs of chasing payment;
 - b) reject future entries from the team's organisation;
 - c) report the matter to organisations such as RYA and request that they take action against the team's sailors or organisation they represent.

Attachment 2 - Key Dates and Deadlines

25 January 2026	Entry Open
06 February 2026	Deadline for receipt of priority entries
15 February 2026	Invited Teams will be notified
25 February 2026	Entry Fees to be paid to confirm entry.
12 March 2026	Sailors lists and consent forms deadline Deadline for changes to sailors or bibs
18 March 2026	Sailing Instructions Published
20 March 2026	Site open for camping/vans/motorhomes from 16:00hrs
21-22 March 2026	Event