



APPROVED 09 DECEMBER 2024 WA

2024 SA Sailing Youth National Championship

Dates: 15-12-2024 to 19-12-2024

Venue: Wriggleswade Dam, Stutterheim

Organising Authority: SA Sailing in conjunction with the East London Yacht Club with the consent of SA Sailing.

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules Of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The SA Sailing Regulations for National and Regional Championships will apply.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P applies.
- 1.4 In addition to the provisions of RRS 61.1 (a), the protesting boat shall inform the Race Committee at the finishing line immediately after finishing, or as soon as practicable after she retires, of the boat/s being protested. This changes rule 61.1(a).

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice board in the clubhouse no later than 18h00 on the 14th of December 2024 and will also be posted on the Youth Nationals Notice Board WhatsApp group. The link to this group will be made available during registration.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located in the clubhouse. Notices will also be posted on the Youth Nationals Notice Board Group on WhatsApp. Failure to receive a notification on this group shall not be grounds for redress.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all qualifying dinghy and catamaran classes.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter online by logging on the SA Sailing website using the following link:
<https://www.sailing.org.za/events/234978>
- 4.3 Classes that do not meet the requirements for National Championships may be transferred to an "O Class".
- 4.4 Competitors must be under the age of 19 years on 31 December 2024 and must, in addition, comply with any age limits specified by their applicable class rules.
- 4.5 In the Optimist Class there will be an Optimist A Fleet that competes for the Optimist National Championships and an Optimist B Fleet that completes in a non-championship

event. Optimist competitors must indicate their choice of A Fleet or B Fleet during registration. The B Fleet is expected to include mostly younger sailors competing at the Youth Nationals for the first time.

- 4.6** In the case of ILCA class boats, the regatta is open to all boats of the ILCA 6 and ILCA 4 classes including "ILCA-like" boats. However, "ILCA-like" boats will not be eligible for SA Sailing medals, nor will they be eligible for the National Championship title and its trophy. An "ILCA like" boat is defined as an ILCA that has some equipment that is similar to ILCA Class compliant equipment but is not ILCA Class compliant, and that the non-Class compliant equipment is, in the opinion of the Technical Committee, not performance enhancing. Such non-Class compliant equipment includes items such as pirate spars, sails and blocks. Note that boats with non-Class compliant sail numbers also fall into the definition of "ILCA-like" boats. In accordance with the Class Rules all competitors shall be members in good standing of LASA or the equivalent if they are not RSA sailors.
- 4.7** To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.8** Entries close at midnight on 30th November 2024. Late entries will be accepted until 09h00 on 15th December 2024
- 4.9** All competitors shall be members in good standing of SA Sailing and of a yacht club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing (or their equivalent in the case of non-South Africans) and legally permitted to compete.
- 4.10** Proof of such membership shall be presented at registration.

5 FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

Single Handed: R850

Double Handed: R1100

Late Entry Fees:

Single Handed: R950

Double Handed: R1200

Beginner Course:

Single Handed R350

Double Handed R450

6 ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1** Registration, Equipment Inspection and Event Measurement: Sunday 15th December from 09h00 to 20h00. Monday 16th December from 07h00 to 09h00.
- 7.2** Dates of racing: Monday 16th December to Thursday 19th December 2024.
- 7.3** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is Sunday 15th December 16h00. This race does not count towards the Youth Nationals Championship Results.
- 7.4** The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first Championship race is Monday 16th December 10h00

- 7.5** A maximum of 15 races are scheduled.
- 7.6** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 10h25.
- 7.7** The main prize giving is scheduled to take place at 13h00 on Thursday 19th December 2024.
- 7.8** A beginner's course for new and inexperienced sailors will take place from Monday 16 December to Wednesday 18th December 2024. This will be a fun event for new sailors introducing them to sailing with most of the on-water activities taking place close to the shoreline.

8 MEASUREMENT

- 8.1** With the exception of the beginner fleet, each boat shall produce at registration a valid measurement certificate as required by their respective class rules.
- 8.2** [DP] Boats shall be available for spot measurement and checks at any stage during the event.

9 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

[DP] Support person vessels shall be marked with a white flag.

10 SAFETY

[DP] All Competitors must be accompanied by a responsible adult who will be available on shore or as a spectator or on the water AT ALL times. The adult responsible for a competitor must sign the competitor in at registration.

11 RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Competitors participate in this event entirely at their own risk. The organising 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.

12 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

To qualify as a National Class Championship, the following criteria shall be adhered to:

- a) At least ten valid entries shall have been received no later than the closing time for registration
- b) At least 10 finishers in at least one third of all the races completed
- c) At least four races shall be completed

The Optimist Class B Fleet does not qualify as a National Class Championship

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall carry sufficient insurance with valid third-party liability cover to cover any liability arising during the event.

14 PRIZES

SA Sailing Medals will be awarded in accordance with the Requirements for National Championships as follows:

10 – 14 Boats Gold

15 – 19 Boats Gold & Silver

20 or more boats Gold, Silver & Bronze

Other prizes and trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority and class associations.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1 For further information please use this link: <https://www.sailing.org.za/events/234978>

OR

Contact the Regatta Secretary: Mrs Liana van Lill, Cell number: +27 66 5367237