

Royal Lyminster Yacht Club



**K6 UK National Championships 2024**  
**Friday 13, Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 September**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

The Organizing Authority is the Royal Lyminster Yacht Club in conjunction with the K6 Class Association.

**1. Rules**

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. The Royal Lyminster YC Safety Regulations, Appendix SR of this Notice of Race shall apply.
- 1.3. The racing rules will be changed as follows:
  - Rule 31 changed so that marks other than starting and finishing marks may be touched without penalty.
  - Rule 35 changed to score boats finishing outside the time limit in their observed position on the course.
  - Rule 40 changed so that personal Floatation Devices must be worn at all times while afloat.
  - Rule 44 the two turn penalty is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 1.4. The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5. Boats in the Lyminster River, while racing, proceeding to a race or returning from racing, shall not cause Wightlink ferries to take avoiding action.
- 1.6. The Race Committee may stop a boat launching, or require it to return ashore, if they consider that the boat, its equipment and/or helm are not adequate for the likely conditions.

**2. Advertising**

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

**3. Eligibility and Entry**

- 3.1. Entries shall be made on the official entry form downloadable from the K6 Class Association website ([www.k6class.org](http://www.k6class.org)).
- 3.2. All boats shall hold adequate insurance and in particular hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3.0 million.

3.3. The event is open to the following boats:

<b>Class/ Rating/ Handicap System Name</b>
K6**

\*\*For this Class, a boat shall be entered only by a current member of the relevant Class association. to: A boat shall be entered only by its helm holding current membership of the UK K6 Class Association.

3.4. Championship Dinner tickets can be ordered on the entry form.

**Entry Dates:**

<b>Entries Open From</b>	<b>Latest Date / Time for Entry</b>
01 June at 09:00	Thursday 12 September 2024 at 1700hrs

The latest entry date / time may be extended by the Race Committee.

**4. Racing Schedule**

4.1. The event is scheduled as follows:

<b>Race Day</b>	<b>No. of Races Scheduled each day + No. of extra races **</b>	<b>Total number of Scheduled Races</b>	<b>Time of 1<sup>st</sup> Warning Signal</b>
Fri 13 Sept	3	3	12:55
Sat 14 Sept	3 + 1**	3	11:55
Sun 15 Sept	3 + 1**	3	10:45

\*\*Extra races may be sailed to maintain the original total number of scheduled races in the series.

4.2. Registration from 18:00 to 19:00 on Thursday 12 September and 09:30 – 11:30 on Friday 13 September unless extended by the Organizing Authority.

4.3. There will be a competitor briefing at 10:45 on Friday 13 September in the Royal Lymington Yacht Club Island Room.

4.4. No warning signal after 14:00 on the last day of racing.

**5. Sailing Instructions**

5.1. The Sailing Instructions for the championship will normally be available at the Club and on the Club website one week before the first race of the event.

**6. Venue and Course Area**

6.1. The venue will be the Royal Lymington Yacht Club, Bath Road, Lymington, SO41 3SE.

6.2. The course areas will be The Western Solent and its Approaches.

**7. Courses**

7.1. Courses will be: Windward/Leeward type.

**8. Penalty System**

8.1. The Sailing Instructions will specify any changes to RRS 44 and if RRS Appendix P applies.

## 9. Scoring

9.1. The minimum number of races to constitute a championship is 3.

9.2. The number of counted races and excluded races will be as follows:

No. of Completed Races	No. of Races to be excluded to determine a boat's score
0 – 3	0
4 – 7	1
8 +	2

## 10. Radio Communications (Not Applicable)

## 11. Prizes

11.1. Prizes will be specified in the event Sailing Instructions.

## 12. Risk Statement

12.1. Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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 race 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) For offshore races, they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew; and
- (h) The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

## 13. Amendments to the Notice of Race

13.1. This Notice of Race may be changed by a notice posted on the official notice board (and duplicated on the Club website).

### Further Information

All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.