



International Moth
UK National
Championships

NOTICE OF RACE
5th to 11th September
2020



The **Organising Authority** is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy in conjunction with the UK Moth Class Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The Class and Championship Rules of the International Moth Class Association will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3. The Class Race Management Guidelines will also apply.
- 1.4. The RYA National Authority prescriptions will apply, see Attachment B.

2. ADVERTISING

Sailors may be required to wear bibs and boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats of the International Moth Class that comply with the Moth Class Rules and carry a valid measurement certificate.
- 3.2. Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
- 3.3. All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the UK or, for overseas competitors, their National Moth Class Association or the International Moth Class Association where there is no appropriate national class association.
- 3.4. The helmsman named on the boat entry form shall be the same for all races.
- 3.5. Competitors shall enter using the on-line entry system <https://www.blueteq-sys.co.uk/imca-uk/emailverification>
- 3.6. Payment by Paypal or Credit/Debit Card is preferred. Please note if you choose to pay by bank transfer you will have 72 hours to complete the payment or your entry will be removed. You will also be responsible for all bank transfer charges.
- 3.7. There will be an entry limit of 100 boats.

4. COVID-19

- 4.1. By taking part in the event covered by this Notice of Race, each competitor and support person agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations and guidance in force from time to time in response to COVID-19 and for complying with the WPNSA/Organising Authority COVID-19 procedures.
- 4.2. This event will be run with an emphasis on the safety of competitors, WPNSA staff and volunteers at all times.
- 4.3. All competitors and visitors are asked to strictly adhere to the COVID-19 guidelines that will be published before the event on the Official Notice Board and to follow any instructions



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given by the WPNSA staff during the event. Anyone disregarding the guidance without good cause may have their entry rescinded and asked to leave the site.

- 4.4. The COVID-19 guidelines used for this event will follow the UK Government and RYA advice in force at the start of the event.
- 4.5. Competitors should be aware that the event may be cancelled, or the entry limit reduced at any point if the UK Government and/or local Government advice changes. Full entry refunds will be given if the cancellation or reduction in numbers occurs before the start of the event programme. If a reduction of entries is required it will be done strictly on a “last in first out” basis.
- 4.6. Competitors are advised to note the refund policies of any accommodation and travel arrangements booked in advance.

5. ENTRY FEES

UK NATIONALS	
£175.00	
SUPPORT/COACH BOAT REGISTRATION	£100

- 5.1. **Individual Refunds** will be given up to 20th August 2020. Refunds after this date will be at the discretion of the Organising Committee. Refunds may be subject to bank or other charges.
- 5.2. **Refunds due to the Cancellation of Event** – In the event of the event being cancelled for any reason, including the COVID-19 pandemic, refunds will be given to all entries at any time up to the start of the event. Refunds may be subject to bank or other charges.
- 5.3. **Transfers** – the transfer of entries between competitors will not be allowed.
- 5.4. **Waiting list** – once the entry limit has been reached, competitors can be placed on a waiting list.
 - 5.4.1. To request a waiting list place, competitors must complete their details on the on-line entry system. Requests via other means will not be accepted.
 - 5.4.2. A competitor will not be asked to pay a fee unless they are subsequently offered an entry.

6. FORMAT OF RACING.

- 6.1. SIX races are required to constitute a valid Championship.
- 6.2. The Regatta will consist of a series of up to FIFTEEN races



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7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day	Time	Description
Saturday 5 September	09.00 to 17.00	Measurement & Registration
Sunday 6 September	09.00 to 13.00 14.00 warning	Measurement & Registration Practice Race
Monday 7 September	11.00 warning	Nationals Day 1 – 3 races
Tuesday 8 September	11.00 warning	Nationals Day 2 – 3 races
Wednesday 9 September	11.00 warning	Nationals Day 3 – 3 races
Thursday 10 September	11.00 warning	Nationals Day 4 – 3 races
Friday 11 September	10.00 warning There will be no warning signal after 16.00	Nationals Day 5 – 3 races

8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1. Valid measurement certificates will be required for all equipment and sails.
- 8.2. Only 2 sails, 2 masts, 2 front foils (vertical & horizontal) and 2 rear foils (vertical & horizontal) shall be used.
- 8.3. Competitors are encouraged to measure all of their equipment before attending. Due to the Covid-19 precautions, only a limited amount of Covid-safe measurement will be available. It will be the competitor's responsibility to organise the measurement of their equipment.
- 8.4. Spot measurement checks may be carried out during the event.
- 8.5. Equipment may only be replaced with permission of the Race Committee.
- 8.6. Competitors shall only change their rudder, dagger board or horizontal foils whilst ashore or afloat inside the Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy marina.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on 1st September on the regatta website. No printed copies will be provided by the Organising Authority.

10. VENUE

The 2020 International Moth UK National Championships will be held at the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Portland, UK.

11. THE COURSES

Courses will be of a windward/leeward configuration. Details will be published in the Sailing Instructions.



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12. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

13. SCORING

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

13.2. The "Grand Prix" (Lapped Finish) finishing practice shall be used. This procedure will be described in full in the Sailing Instructions.

14. SUPPORT BOATS

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

14.2. Coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the first warning signal until racing has been concluded.

14.3. Support boat drivers and crew must attend competitor and safety boat briefings when held, which may be electronic.

14.4. Berthing of coach/support boats will be as directed by the Organising Authority.

15. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in the assigned places at the boat park.

16. PRIZES

The following prizes will be awarded:

- UK National Champion
- First Overseas Champion
- Top 5 UK Nationals places
- Prizes for the first 10 positions in the overall rankings
- Prizes for the first 3 positions in the Silver Fleet
- 1st Master: aged 45 years or older as of 1st September 2020
- 1st Junior: aged 23 years or younger as of 1st September 2020
- 1st Female

Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

17.2. Competitors should note that it is anticipated that all communication for this event will be online. Competitors should note that the WPNSA WIFI system may not be accessible and

they may wish to have a device which can connect to the internet via an alternative means. [DP]

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least £1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

19. RISK STATEMENT

19.1. RRS 4 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 agrees and acknowledges that:

- 19.1.1. 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;
- 19.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves and their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 19.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- 19.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate
- 19.1.5. 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;
- 19.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 19.1.7. 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.

20. PRIVACY STATEMENT

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. 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. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.



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21. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 21.1. By participating in the UK National Championships 2020, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 21.2. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
- 21.3. Competitors may be asked to be interviewed during the regatta.

22. SUSTAINABILITY

All competitors are encouraged to use non-single use water bottles and recycle all appropriate items.

23. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further notices about accommodation suggestions, social events will be available on the UK National Championship website.

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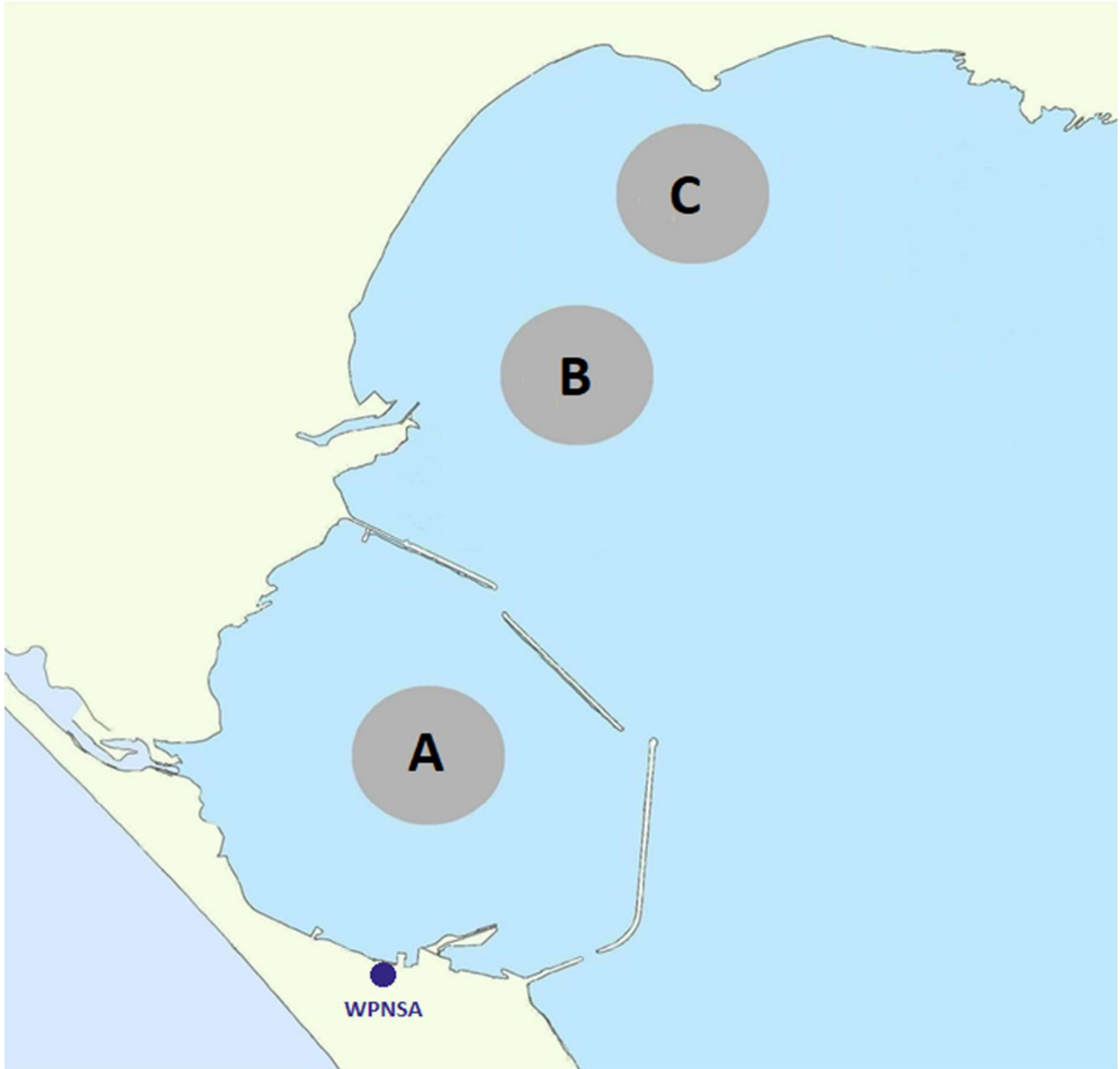
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ATTACHMENT A – COURSE AREA





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Attachment B

RYA Prescriptions that apply: -

5. Acceptance of the Rules

Add new rule 3.6: 'Each competitor and boat owner shall ensure that their support persons comply with the rules.'

6. Anti-Doping

The National Authority procedural rules required by World Sailing regulation 21.16 to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through World Sailing regulation 21 are the RYA Anti-Doping Rules.

67. Damages

1. Any 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 Organising Authority wishing to develop or test alternative rules shall obtain prior approval from the RYA. The Organising Authority shall promptly report the results of the 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 of RRS 3, 5, 67, 86.3 and 88.2 shall apply.



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END OF NOTICE OF RACE

FURTHER INFORMATION:

There may be significant changes in Government and/or local Government COVID-19 guidance, regulation and operating procedures between the issue date of this document and the event date, we will endeavour to keep competitors informed. We would, however, ask that all competitors and volunteers take action to keep themselves informed of any changes in guidance.

Part of our operational plan is shown below

- a) We will, as an Organising Authority, take a considerate and conservative approach to the racing and the wind strength, sea state and the ability of competitors. This may mean postponements to starts. This is to ensure that we minimise as much as we can the impact on the local community. We will however endeavour to meet the programme as laid out in the Notice of Race.
- b) We have to maintain control of launching/recovery and the dinghy park. There may be special requirements for launching, recovery and the hygiene of boats and equipment, it is the responsibility of every competitor to make themselves aware of those regulations and to follow them.
- c) Competitors and other persons attending in connection with the event should be prepared to provide their own PPE, should Government guidelines change. This may include amongst other items, hand sanitiser and face masks. Please make yourselves aware of the current regulations and guidance.
- d) Social distancing and gatherings should be in accordance with regulations and guidelines, including any mitigation.
- e) The changing facilities onsite will be closed, except for the toilets.
- f) There will be a post-race snack available for the competitors. This will be served from a specific service location.
- g) Other catering facilities will be limited and all transactions should be by card payment only.