



International Moth Class UK Open Grand Prix

13th & 14th May 2017



NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) in conjunction with the International Moth Class UK.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020*, the International Moth Class rules and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Competitors will be required to wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times whilst afloat, except for a short period whilst changing clothing. Flag 'Y' will not be displayed; this changes RRS 40 and Race Signals 'Y'.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 The event is open to International Moth Class dinghies.
- 2.2 All competing helms shall be members of IMCA UK or in the case of overseas competitors they shall be members of their local Moth Class Association or IMCA.
- 2.3 Those competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event shall be required to complete and lodge the parental/guardian's consent form at registration prior to the start of racing.
- 2.4 Eligible boats may enter on the day by completing the entry form (copy available to complete in advance at <http://www.wpsa.org.uk/events/international-moth-class-grand-prix>) and paying the required fee.

3. FEES

The entry fee is £40 per boat.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration will be 09:30 to 10:30 on the first day of racing.
- 4.2 The competitors briefing will be at 10:45 in Rooms 5 & 6 (off of the Event Hall) on Saturday.
- 4.3 Racing will take place as follows:

Day	Race Number	Warning signal
Saturday	Race 1	11:55
	Race 2	ASAP after Race 1
	Race 3	ASAP after Race 2
Sunday	Race 4	10:25
	Race 5	ASAP after Race 4
	Race 6	ASAP after Race 5

- 4.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15:30

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the event website and a few copies at registration.

6. VENUE

- 6.1 The venue is the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy.
- 6.2 The Race area will be in Portland Harbour.

7. COURSES

Courses will be windward leeward.

8. SCORING

8.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

8.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

8.4 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register at the Race Office during the registration period.

10. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded depending upon the entry numbers.

13. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

By participating in the regatta, competitors grant to IMCA UK, the Organising Authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show at their discretion any motion or still pictures, audio recordings, or similar media. This provision shall be interpreted as broadly as possible.

14. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the RRS 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 while taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss 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 competitors briefing held for the event.

15. INSURANCE

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

16. MEMBERSHIP & LIABILITY

16.1 All visiting competitors will be deemed temporary members WPNSA during the event and as such shall abide by all WPNSA's rules and bye-laws.

17. FURTHER INFORMATION

The cafeteria is open every day from 08:00 serving breakfast, lunch, snacks, hot and cold drinks. Packed lunches or baguettes/sandwiches may be ordered from the cafeteria to take on the water. The closing time will depend on the days racing.

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