



Oxford University Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE **The Oxford Magnum** **22nd & 23rd November 2025**

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Oxford Magnum will take place on the 22nd & 23rd November, 2025, at Farmoor Reservoir, Farmoor. OX2 9NS.

1.2 The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Fireflies supplied by Oxford University Yacht Club & Oxford Schools. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.

2 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is Oxford University Yacht Club.

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 UK Team Racing Association (UKTRA) Standard Team Racing Sailing Instructions will apply. These change some rules in the RRS; they are available on the UKTRA web site (www.teamracing.org) and at registration.

3.4 In accordance with RRS 70.5(a) the right of appeal will be denied.

4 ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

4.1 Entries will be invited from registered universities and/or sailing clubs. A request for invitation can be made via the form:

<https://forms.gle/mZ6WSAaDG1FdKzMV7>

Invitations will be issued on or after the 18th October from the requests received.

4.2 The closing date for receipt of entries and payment of the entry fee is 8th November unless agreed with the organising authority. If the entry form and payment are not received by this date, then the entry will be offered to another team.

4.3 The entry fee will be £400 per team.

4.4 Decisions of the Organising Authority about entry or eligibility shall not be cause for redress. This amends RRS 62.1.

4.5 By making an entry, teams agree to be bound by the damage requirements as found in Attachment X.

4.6 A damage deposit for the amount detailed in Attachment X will be required before a team may sail. Teams will be required to pre-authorise a payment card with at least this amount available as a deposit prior to registration.

4.7 Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams.

5 EVENT FORMAT AND SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The format of the event will be available at registration.
- 5.2 Registration will take place at Oxford Sailing Club at 9am on Saturday 22nd November.
- 5.3 There will be a briefing at Oxford Sailing Club at 9.30am on Saturday 22nd November.
- 5.4 The first warning signal will not be before 9.57am.

6 BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

Adequate personal flotation devices and wet or dry suits shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat.

7 RISK STATEMENT, INSURANCE

7.1 Rule 3 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:

- (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.
- (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 safety briefing held for the event.

7.2 When the boats are provided by the competitors, the boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £3,000,000.

8 PRIZES

These will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

9 DATA PROTECTION, RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

9.1 The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event and may be shared with third party organisations; a list of whom may be obtained by contacting the Organising Authority. 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, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

9.2 By participating in this event competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make use and show at their discretion any photography, audio and video recordings and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.

10 CANCELLATION

The Organising Authority reserves the right to cancel the event. The entry fee and any deposits will be refunded less any unavoidable costs.

Attachment X –Damage

It is expected that all competitors show due care and attention to the boats that are provided for their use during the Event. Damage to boats causes conflict, delay and impacts everyone involved at the event. This attachment intends to help minimise damage; ultimately providing more racing at less cost for everyone.

In the unfortunate case of damage occurring, this attachment provides guidance to competitors and officials on how damage may be assessed, penalised and costs allocated as equitably as possible.

X1. DAMAGE AGREEMENT

X1.1 By entering the event, the team expressly agrees to follow and comply with this system without delay or dispute. A failure to comply with an instruction or invoice issued may result in disqualification from the event without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

X1.2 Each team is liable for up to £450 of damage associated costs per incident (this includes boats, equipment and property).

X1.3 Any decision on the allocation and quantum of any damage associated costs is solely for the Organising Authority to determine. Subject to rule 62, the decision of the Organising Authority is final and teams agree to accept it without dispute.

X2. DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

X2.1 An initial assessment of damage will be made as soon as possible following an incident.

X2.2 Onward assessment of the damage after further inspection will have no effect on a penalty given in accordance with RRS 14 but may affect any damage associated costs.

X3. DAMAGE ASSOCIATED COSTS

X3.1 The Race Committee may require a team to make an intermediate payment, to the amount defined in this attachment; against allocated damage costs before the team may sail another event boat.

X3.2 If a team is allocated damage associated costs, and these are not paid at the event, the Organising Authority will issue an invoice to the team. () Failure to pay an invoice, without set off or deduction, within 5 days of the end of the event will result in the full deposit amount plus a payment processing fee being charged to the preauthorised card.

X3.3 Failure to comply with a damage invoice is a breach of this agreement and the Organising Authority may:

- (a) disqualify the team in question without a hearing, this changes RRS 63.1;
- (b) reject any future entries from the team's organisation.
- (c) Suspend the BSDRA membership rights of the team's organisation.

X3.4 The Organising Authority may amend or cancel a damage notice at any time and may reinstate a team disqualified.