

2026 Rutland Runners Team racing Event



RSC, Edith Weston LE15 8HJ

14th – 15th March 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is Rutland Sailing Club (RSC)

[NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 1.2 [DP] RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat.
- 1.3 Races will be umpired.
- 1.4 In accordance with RRS 70.3(b), the right of appeal is denied.
- 1.5 In case of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. Sailing Instruction

The sailing instructions will be available before 2000 on Thursday 12th March 2026 on the event's Ksail page.

3. Communications

- 3.1 The official notice board will be located on the window of the waterside John Merricks building and, on the event's Ksail page.
- 3.2 A team manager briefing will be held outside the John Merricks Building at 8:20 on Saturday 14th March.
- 3.3 A competitors briefing will be held outside the John Merricks Building at 8:30 on Saturday 14th March.
- 3.4 [DP][NP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. Entries

- 4.1 The teams shall consist of 4 sailors, with 2 per boat. The event will be sailed in RS Fevas. all boats will be supplied by the organising authority.
- 4.2 [NP] All sailors must be U16 by the 15th March 2026.
- 4.3 Entries are restricted to 12 teams.

- 4.4 The deadline date for receipt of priority entries is 1800 on 21st February. Any entries received after this date will not be considered until all priority entries have been reviewed.
- 4.5 Request for entry shall be made exclusively through the event page on Rutland Sailing Club website.
- 4.6 Teams must provide an onshore-based team manager; team managers may be responsible for more than one team.
- 4.7 All teams must provide at least one volunteer to assist on the water; this is in addition to the team manager.
- 4.8 Each team shall supply a set of four identical bibs. The colour, style and lettering of the bibs shall be stated on the entry form. The OA may request a team to supply alternative bibs; this would be confirmed by the OA when the entry request is confirmed in NoR 4.10.
- 4.9 [NP] All sailors must wear their bibs when competing in the event.
- 4.10 All teams will be emailed to accept or decline their entry by 21st February 2026.
- 4.11 Invited teams must complete their entry and pay their entry fees by 1800 20th February 2026. Entry will only be confirmed once payment for the whole team is complete.
- 4.12 No sailor may sail for more than one team.
- 4.13 Should there be any remaining spaces by 1800 22nd February 2026, late entries will only be accepted when the entry fee is paid.
- 4.14 Team managers should submit a list of all sailors and medical forms by 1800 28th February.
- 4.15 After 2nd March 2026 nominated sailors and bib allocation cannot be changed without prior approval from the OA.

5. fees

The entry fee will be £300 per team.

6. Schedule

- 6.1 Registration for all competitors will be on Saturday 14th March 2026 in the John Merricks between 8:00 – 9:00.
- 6.2 A team manager briefing will be held at 8:20 outside the John Merricks.
- 6.3 A competitors' briefing will be held at 8:30 outside the John Merricks.
- 6.4 The first warning signal will be no earlier than 8:55 on each day.
- 6.5 There will be no warning signal after 17:00 on the first day and 15:00 on the second day.

7. Venue

- 7.1 the event will be held at Rutland Sailing Club.

8. Course

- 8.1 The course will be a Starboard "S" course.
- 8.2 Details of the course will be published in the SI's.

9. clothing and buoyancy

- 9.1 RRS 40.1 is in place for all competitors and support crew whilst afloat and on the pontoons.

9.2 All competitors are required to wear a wetsuit or dry suit unless otherwise stated in the sailing instructions.

10. Risk assessment

10.1. RRS Rule 3 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 event and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

11. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

12. Other information

12.1 For further information regarding accommodation, catering, etc., please refer to www.rutlandsailingclub.co.uk or telephone 01780 720292. This includes details for camping/caravan facilities adjacent to RSC. Campervans and tents are not allowed to be used as accommodation on the club premises overnight.

12.2 Support vessels may be allowed only as part of the safety team and with prior permission of RSC.

12.3 Drones are not permitted on Rutland Water without permission of RSC.

12.4 Entrants and authorised guests become temporary members of Rutland Sailing Club during the period of the event and shall comply with Club rules and Bylaws. Failure to observe these rules may result in exclusion from the club premises.

12.5 dogs are permitted onsite on a lead. The only exclusions are inside the ground floor and 1st floor lounge of the clubhouse and the balcony in front of the lounge.