



**INTERNATIONAL 12sqM SHARPIE
EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

18 TO 23 AUGUST 2019

**ITCHENOR, CHICHESTER HARBOUR, UK
ORGANISING AUTHORITY: ITCHENOR SAILING CLUB**

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) prescriptions.

1.2 The following rules will be changed:

RRS 61.3 and 62.2: The time limit for protests and requests for redress is 45 minutes after the last boat arrives back at the Itchenor Sailing Club jetty directly from the race area.

RRS 44.1 shall be amended from 2 turns to 1 turn

1.3 The Sailing Instructions may change some other rules.

2.0 PERSONAL FLOTATION

2.1 Adequate personal flotation shall be worn at all times when afloat by all competitors. Neither a wetsuit nor drysuit constitute adequate personal flotation. This amends the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the International 12sqM Sharpie Class.

4.2 Helms must be fully paid up members of their National Sharpie Association.

4.3 Entries shall be made using the online entry form. The link to which can be found on the event website which can be accessed via www.itchenorsc.co.uk

4.4 Competitors, their immediate families and supporters are Temporary Members of Itchenor Sailing Club for the duration of the Regatta.

5. ENTRY FEE

- 5.1 The Entry Fee is £185 per boat for entries received by 1700 hrs on Tuesday 18 June 2019. Entries will be accepted after the 19 June 2019 and by the 4 August 2019 but an additional £50 will be charged.
- 5.2 The Entry Fee includes harbour dues for Chichester Harbour.
- 5.3 The Entry Fee includes one ticket each for helm and crew for both the Tuesday Evening Party and Prizegiving Barbecue. Tickets for competitors' friends and family may be purchased closer to the time through the Sharpie Association.

6. PROGRAMME AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Ten races are scheduled. Five races shall constitute a valid Championship. Additional races may be sailed on any day at the discretion of the Race Committee to achieve the schedule. No warning signal will be made after 1700 hrs on Friday 23rd August.

REGATTA PROGRAMME

Date	Programme	Times (BST)
Sunday 18 Aug	Arrival Registration Measurement Free sailing Competitors Briefing and Opening Ceremony	From 1100 1200 to 1800 1800
Monday 19 Aug HW 1447 Ht 4.5m	Races 1 and 2	First warning signal 1030
Tuesday 20 - Friday 23 Aug	Races 3 to 10	First Warning Signal 1030

7. MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Competitors will be expected to submit their boat and equipment for measurement, which may include weighing, prior to the commencement of racing and also at any other time at the discretion of the Race Committee. All boats must produce a valid weighing certificate. Any boat adjudged not to conform to class rules will be excluded from the Championship.

*Competitors are reminded that while afloat all boats must carry an anchor, paddles and suitably long tow line in accordance with the Sharpie Class Association rule book.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1 Sailing Instructions will be issued at Registration. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be displayed on the Official Notice Board. The Sailing Instructions and any amendments may be published on the event website for information only.

9. VENUE

- 9.1 The location of the Championship is:

Itchenor Sailing Club, Itchenor, Chichester Harbour, West Sussex PO20 7AG

Tel: 01243 512400

Email: sailing@itchenorsailingclub.co.uk, website www.itchenorsc.co.uk

10. RACING AREA

- 10.1 The racing area will be in Chichester Harbour, Bracklesham Bay or Hayling Bay.

11. COURSES

- 11.1 Courses will be triangle/sausage or windward/leeward.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A 4.1 of the RRS will apply.
- 12.2 Five races shall be completed to constitute a valid Championship.
- 12.3 If 9 or 10 races are completed there will be 2 discards. If between 5 and 8 races are completed there will be one discard.
- 12.4 Overall results will be published including details of fleet positions.
- 12.5 Fleet prizes will be awarded on the basis of 12.2 and 12.3 above.

13. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 13.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board which is located in the Members Room at Itchenor Sailing Club.

14. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 14.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the ISC flagstaff.

15. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 15.1 For a boat to qualify for Championship points the helm and crew of a boat must be those named on the entry form. Any changes must be for bona fide reasons and agreed by the race committee prior to racing. Changes may result in qualification for daily prizes only

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded for the Championship and for individual races. Prizes for the Championship will be presented at the prize giving barbecue at the Itchenor Sailing Club on the evening of Friday 23rd August. Daily prizes may be awarded after conclusion of the days racing and will take place within the sailing club grounds.

17. RISK STATEMENT

- 17.1 Rule 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:
- (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 support 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.

18. INSPECTIONS

- 18.1 The fact that a Race Committee may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities set out in this paragraph.

19. GENERAL DISCLAIMER

- 19.1 Members of the Club, including Temporary Members, their guests and visitors use the Club premises and any other facilities of the Club entirely at their own risk and impliedly accept that:
- (a) The Club will not accept any liability for any damage to or loss of property belonging to members, their guests or visitors to the Club.

- (b) The Club will not accept any liability for personal injury arising out of the use of the club premises, and any other facilities of the club, or out of participation in any races organised by the club, whether sustained by members, their guests or visitors, or caused by the said members, guests or visitors whether or not such damage or injury could have been attributed or contributed to or was occasioned by neglect, default or negligence of any of them, the officers, committee or servants of the Club.
- (c) Before inviting any guests or visitors onto the premises or to participate in events organised by the Club, members are required to draw their attention to this rule.

20. INSURANCE

- 20.1 Boats are required to be adequately insured including insurance against third party claims of at least £3,000,000 or equivalent in foreign currency. Competitors are also advised to effect their own Personal Accident insurance.

21. TELEVISION AND MEDIA

- 21.1 In entering for this event, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and Class Association(s) the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, in which he/she participates, without compensation.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 22.1 For further information contact:

Ryan Breach, Sailing Manager, Itchenor Sailing Club

Tel: 01243 512400 Email: sailing@itchenorsailingclub.co.uk

Information for competitors

1. BOAT TRAILERS

Please note that boat trailers must be man-handled from the road to the Club stage as vehicles are not permitted down the Club Lane. Parking for cars and trailers is available at the Chichester Harbour Conservancy car park (turn left towards the Northshore Ship Yard). The cost of parking for a week is currently £26.50 and can be paid via credit/debit card in the car park. An area for parking trailers will be provided, free of charge, at the regatta campsite

Road trailers must not be left on the Club staging

2. LAUNCHING TROLLEYS

Launching trolleys must not be left on the slipways.

3. CLUBHOUSE

All competitors are invited to use the Club facilities during the event as Temporary Members and as such, are requested to abide by all the Club's rules and traditions.

The Club will be open daily for breakfast, snacks, hot and cold drinks, lunch, tea and evening meals. The Bar will be open from 1100 hrs daily.

The Club's toilet and shower facilities will be available to competitors 24 hrs/day.

4. SECURITY

Competitors and visitors are advised not to leave valuable items unattended in the changing rooms. Money and other valuables may be placed in a sealed envelope and deposited with the Club Office. Items not collected by 1700 hrs will be transferred to the Bar for collection. All items are left at the owner's risk.

5. ACCOMMODATION

Rooms are available at the clubhouse subject to availability. Please contact the Club Office on 01243 512400 to book a room.

By kind permission of the landowner, a campsite for competitors and their families will be provided in the vicinity of the Village Hall, about 10 minutes walk from the Club. Please see the website for online reservation. Payment will be via the Sharpie Association.

Other accommodation options may be shown on the event website under Where to Stay.