



INTERNATIONAL MIRROR CLASS BRITISH OPEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Thursday 3rd – Sunday 6th June 2021

Organising Authority: Restronguet Sailing Club,
Falmouth, Cornwall, UK
in conjunction with the
UK Mirror Class Association (UKMCA)

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- (a) The Post-Race Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to www.rya.org.uk/go/rules). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.
 - (b) Rule 63.7 will be changed to permit a rule in the sailing instructions to take precedence over a rule in the notice of race.
 - (c) The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages then the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display event advertising chosen and supplied by the OA. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the sailing instructions.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The event is open to all boats that comply with the rules of the International Mirror Class.
- 3.2 The event is also open to boats which generally comply with the rules of the International Mirror Class but do not have a valid measurement certificate. These boats will race concurrently with other boats but will be scored separately as the "Bronze Fleet".
- 3.3 All sailors shall be paid-up members of a club or other organisation affiliated with a World Sailing Member National Association and which is a National Class Association member of the International Mirror Class Association (IMCA) or, where none exists, direct members of IMCA.
- 3.4 Boats competing shall complete on-site registration prior to 1100 on Friday 4th June, unless the OA extends this time.
- 3.5 The closing date for entries to be received by the OA is Thursday 27th May. Entries submitted after this date may be accepted at the discretion of the OA, and will be subject to payment of an additional late entry premium. The final date after which no entry will be accepted is 1900 on Thursday 3th June.
- 3.6 All entries shall be submitted on-line at <http://www.ukmirrorsailing.com>.
- 3.7 An entry is not complete until:
- (a) entry fees have been paid in full;
 - (b) a boat entry form, available at registration, has been filled out and submitted;
 - (c) all sailors have provided proof of membership required by regulation 3.3 above;
 - (d) a valid measurement certificate issued by the boat's World Sailing MNA has been submitted prior to the close of registration (except that boats entering the Bronze

Fleet under regulation 3.2 above will not be required to present a valid measurement certificate);

- (e) all boats have completed sail certification inspection;
- (f) a parental (or guardian) consent form and declaration has been submitted for sailors age 18 and under. The form will be available for download at <http://www.ukmirrorsailing.com>.

4. FEES

4.1 The entry fees are as follows:

	Nationals
Normal entry	UK£120
Late entry	+UK£30

- 4.2 The entry fees cover berthing, trailer storage, and admission for helm and crew to the opening and closing ceremonies.
- 4.3 Boats requiring berthing outside of the period Thursday 3rd to 2000 on Sunday 6th June are responsible for making private arrangements through the OA.
- 4.4 Competitors requiring berthing for support boats are responsible for making private arrangements through the OA, which will also advise on launching at the nearby public slipway. The RSC event safety officer must be consulted prior to launching and a launch fee may be required.
- 4.5 If Covid-19 restrictions allow, there may be some social events. These will be charged separately.

5. CANCELLATION

- 5.1 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel fleets and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76
- 5.2 Should the Organising Authority cancel a fleet or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 5.3 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event at least 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 the entry fee will be refunded less any costs incurred.
- 5.4 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours of the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 5.5 If an entry is cancelled by a competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

Cancellation Date	Entry Fee Refund
Up to 27 th May 2021 1200	90%
After 27 th May 2021 1200	0%

6. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 6.1 The British Open National Championship will consist of a series of eight scheduled races.

7. SCHEDULE

The schedule is shown in Appendix A.

8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 Before the close of registration each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate issued by the boat's MNA, except boats in the Nationals Bronze Fleet.
- 8.2 Scheduled equipment inspection will take place during the periods stated in Appendix A. In addition, random spot checks of boats and equipment may be carried out at any time during the regatta including on the water.
- 8.3 As provided in RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for the event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available online at <http://www.ukmirrorsailing.com> from Saturday 1st May. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website before this date. Entrants will be informed by email if a preliminary version has been posted.

10. VENUE AND COURSES

- 10.1** The race office will be situated at Restronguet Sailing Club. Racing will take place on the Carrick Roads.
- 10.2** Courses will be Triangle, Windward/Leeward as described in the sailing instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1** A voluntary Post-Race Penalty will be available when appropriate. Full details will be given in the sailing instructions.

12. SCORING

- 12.1** A minimum of 3 races shall be completed to constitute a championship.
- 12.2** When fewer than 5 races have been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 12.3** When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst excludable score.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

All support boats shall be registered with the OA and shall comply with event regulations that will be published in an addendum to the sailing instructions.

14. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places when they are ashore, unless the OA has given permission in writing for a boat to be elsewhere.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1** Perpetual trophies will be awarded by the UK Mirror Class Association as stated in Attachment B
- 15.2** The OA, class association and sponsors may also award other prizes.

16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1** 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".
- 16.2** 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 and omissions;
 - (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - (e) 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) provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 16.3** The fact that the race committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of UK£3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors will be required to sign a declaration to this effect at registration.

18. DATA PROTECTION

- 18.1** Restronguet Sailing Club has a Data Privacy Policy which can be found at www.restronguetsc.org/privacy-policy. Your data will be stored and used in accordance with that policy.
- 18.2** The information you provide in your entry will be used to facilitate your participation in the Event and to contact you. The UKMCA would also like to include your contact details on a mailing list in order to make you aware of Mirror dinghy related news, information and future events. You will be asked if you agree to being included in the mailing list on the entry form.

19. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 19.1** The UKMCA may arrange for images or videos to be taken at the Event and published on the UKMCA's website or social media channels to record the Event or to promote future events or Mirror sailing. You will be asked if you agree to images of you being used for this purpose on the entry form.
- 19.2** Competitors and/or their Guardians who allow their images to be used, automatically grant to the UKMCA and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

20. COVID STATEMENT

- 20.1** By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the Restronguet Sailing Club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the event and venue please visit <http://www.ukmirrorsailing.com>, or contact the regatta office: Tel: +44 (0)1326 315774, email: martin.egan764@btinternet.com.

For further information on the Mylor Churchtown, Mylor Harbour, the Carrick Roads, Falmouth and its environs, including accommodation, please visit <https://www.visitcornwall.com/places/falmouth>

Appendix A

Schedule

A1. Registration and Equipment Inspection

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Thursday 3 rd June	Registration and Equipment Inspection	0900 – 1300, then 1400-1900	RSC
Friday 4 th June	Registration and Equipment Inspection	0900-1100	RSC

A2. British Open National Championship

Date	Activity	Time	Location
Friday 4 th June	Race briefing	1200	RSC
	Three races back-to-back	First warning signal 1355	Carrick Roads
Saturday 5 th June	Three races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Carrick Roads
Sunday 6 th June	Up to three races back-to-back	First warning signal 1055	Carrick Roads
	Prize-giving	After racing	RSC

Appendix B

Prizes

B.1 British Open Championship

Trophies will be awarded as follows:

The British Open National Champion
Second place overall
Third place overall
Highest ranked lady helm
Highest ranked helm & crew under 19* excluding overall winners
Highest ranked helm & crew under 15* excluding overall winners
Second highest ranked helm & crew under 15* excluding overall winners
Highest ranked helm & crew under 13* excluding overall winners
Highest ranked helm over 39**
Highest ranked helm over 49**
Highest ranked Scottish boat
Highest ranked Welsh boat
Best team (lowest aggregate score of the three highest ranked boats entered from the same club)
Highest ranked parent & offspring
Highest ranked Devon or Cornwall helm & crew under 18*
Twenty-fifth place overall
Lowest place overall having completed every race
Youngest helm** to have completed all races
Youngest crew** to have completed all races
Youngest combined helm** & crew** ages to have completed all races
Highest ranked wooden boat
Highest ranked single-hander
Winner of the Bronze fleet
Winner of practice race
Winner of race 1
Winner of race 2
Winner of race 3
Winner of race 4
Winner of race 5
Winner of race 6
Winner of race 7
Winner of race 8

*at 6th June 2021

**at 4th June 2021

Daily Mirror Trophy
Pioneer Cup
America Cup
Proops Pot
Arthur Vine Trophy

Harry Yule Smith Plate

Mike Devonshire Trophy

Hathi Plate

Lucas Trophy
1963 Trophy
Aberdeen Trophy
Gulf Cup
Fleet Shield

Topaz Trophy
Dyno-Rod Cup

Silver Jubilee Trophy
Shavian Mug
Turbo Service International Plate
Super Crew Cup
MCA Shield

Ptwootle Trophy
Bass Charrington Trophy
Jan Grieg-Gran Plate
International Paints Trophy
Marlow Rope Trophy
Cassandra's Cauldron
Jeckells Mirror Trophy
Peter Wilson Trophy
City of Plymouth Trophy
National Westminster Trophy
Abersoch Trophy
40th Anniversary Trophy