



KSSA Opening Splash Regatta



Date of Event: Saturday 25th April 2026
Organising Authority: Downs Sailing Club on behalf of KSSA
Venue: Downs Sailing Club, The Beach, Walmer, Deal, Kent CT14 7DY

Notice of Race

RULES

Racing will take place under the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025 -2028, the prescriptions of the RYA, the Sailing Instructions and appropriate Class Rules. In the event of conflict, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. Competitors should note this event will be conducted in accordance with the Basic Principles and Part 1 Fundamental Rules.

ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

This event is open to all who are members of KSSA aged under 19 on 1 September 2026.

Entries must be completed online at kssa.co.uk. Entry will close at midnight on Wednesday 22 April 2026.

The race committee reserves the right to refuse any entry. The event will be open to all monohull dinghy classes using the Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap System with a PY number between 900 and 1629 inclusive (2026 numbers).

REGISTRATION

Registration will be available on the day from 08.45 until 09.45

BRIEFING

The event briefing will take place @ 09.45hrs on Saturday 25th April.

RACE SCHEDULE

Will be as per the SI supplement to appendix S

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to a level proportional to attendance.

A Regatta fleet will run in addition to the Main fleet. Eligibility for the Regatta fleet will be for those sailors competing in their first season, with little experience of racing or those needing support afloat. Those qualifying for the Regatta fleet will ultimately be decided by the event organizing committee.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be posted on the official notice board located in the club hallway.

COURSES

The course is described in the Appendix A to the Sailing Instructions and the official noticeboard.

PERSONAL BOUYANCY

Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices

DATA PROTECTION

The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. 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 privacy policy of KSSA which is available on the KSSA website kssa.co.uk.

When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, and World Sailing.

The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

RISK STATEMENT

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 by nature is 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 whilst 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 familiarize 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 briefings held for the event.

INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

CATERING

Full galley and bar services will be available. Lunch prebooking at registration.

FURTHER INFORMATION FROM - <https://kssa.co.uk/event/2026-opening-splash-regatta/>

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