



Zhik International Topper Class (5.3m²) World Championship 2014

Organized by the International Topper Class Association (ITCA) in conjunction with
the Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Sailing Club

Sunday 10th August to Friday 15th August 2014

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS).
- 1.2 All times are BST and UT/GMT+ 1 hrs.
- 1.3 In accordance with the RYA prescription to rule 88.2, the RYA prescriptions to rules 5 and 67 will apply.
- 1.4 The sailing instructions will change rules 30.3, 32, 41, 60.1, 62.1, 63, 66, A4, A5, P1 and P2.3. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions, which may also change other rules.

2 ADVERTISING

In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, boats may be required to display the advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Topper Class using the 5.3m² sail, subject to NoR 3.7. Competitors must be members of a National Topper Class Association. (See NoR 8 for contact details)
- 3.2 Competitors may only use one 5.3m² sail for the competition.
- 3.3 Crew substitution of the registered sailor is not permitted.
- 3.4 Each competitor under 18 years of age on the 10th August 2014 shall complete a parent / guardian consent form and submit it to the Organising Authority at registration. This consent form will be available on the ITCA web site and may be automatically emailed to each sailor upon completing the online entry form.
- 3.5 For the duration of the championship the responsible adult of sailors aged under 18 years named on the parent/guardian consent form shall remain within the immediate area of the beach, club or boat park.
- 3.6 The responsible adult (if applicable) and competitors shall register together on site at the race office before registration closes.
- 3.7 The total number of entries is restricted to 300 sailors.

4 ENTRY APPLICATION & ENTRY PROCESS

- 4.1 Application for entry shall be made at: <https://gbrtopper.ourclubadmin.com/worlds>
- 4.2 The entry fee is £235.00 or £205.00 per competitor if made at the same time as entry to the British International Topper Class National Championships.

5 CANCELLATION & REFUND

- 5.1 50% of the entry fee paid is refundable for cancellations received by 1st July. No entry fee is refundable after the 1st July
- 5.2 In all instances refunds are processed on the credit or debit card used to pay for application or entry. Please ensure the expiry date of the credit card used for payment is after August 31st 2014. Credit card details are not retained by the entry system and refunds cannot be made to another card. If the card expires and a refund is required the refund will be by another method at the expense of the sailor.

6 SCHEDULE

Saturday 9 th August	10:00-17:00	REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT
Sunday 10 th August	10:00-17:00 18:30 19:30	REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT OPENING CEREMONY FINGER BUFFET
Monday 11 th August	11:00	RACING
Tuesday 12 th August	11:00	RACING
Wednesday 13 th August	11:00	RACING
Thursday 14 th August	11:00 19:30	RACING LAMB ROAST FOR COMPETITORS
Friday 15 th August	10:30 17:00	RACING PRIZE GIVING

- 6.1 The time for the first warning signal on the first day will be 11:00 hrs.
- 6.2 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.
- 6.3 Any race whose initial warning signal is not given by 15:00 hrs on the last day of the championship will be abandoned and not re-sailed.

7 RACING FORMAT

- 7.1 There will be a Qualifying series in which the entry will be divided daily into two or three fleets, followed by a Championship series in which the entry will be divided into two or three fleets, Gold, Silver, and (if numbers warrant) Bronze.
- 7.2 If four races have not been completed by the end of 13th August the qualifying series will continue to the end of the racing day when a fourth qualifying race is completed.

8 SAIL & CHAMPIONSHIP NUMBERS

- 8.1 Sails shall display the full sail number and Championship Number in accordance with the class rule and the RRS. Competitors who do not have a Championship Number shall apply for allocation of a number:
- 8.1.1 GBR sailors apply to GBR Topper Association (secretary@qbrtopper.co.uk)
 - 8.1.2 IRL sailors apply to the IRL Topper Association (nicolakquinn@btinternet.com)
 - 8.1.3 Other nationalities should apply to the International Secretary (secretary@itcaworld.org)
- 8.2 It is the responsibility of the competitor to obtain and fix the Championship Numbers in accordance with the instructions supplied.

9 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

Boats may be required to be presented for Measurement and Inspection during the regatta. Information on measurement and inspection will be posted on the official notice board.

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available for all competitors at registration at the venue. Draft Sailing Instructions may be available on the event web site approximately two weeks before the Championships

11 SAILING AREA

See attachment

12 THE COURSES

Trapezoid courses will be used with inner and outer loops. The target time for the first boat in each race will be approximately 45 minutes.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 There are a maximum of 15 races scheduled and a total of 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 13.2 A qualifying race will not count until all qualifying fleets have completed that race.
- 13.3 One race score will be excluded when calculating the division into the championship fleets.
- 13.4 The qualifying races and championship races will count for total points in the Championship.
- 13.5 When 4 or more races are completed 1 race score will be excluded, when 10 or more races have been completed, 2 races scores will be excluded. Only one race score may be excluded from the championship races and only if at least 2 championship races are completed.
- 13.6 The split for the championship series will only be made based on results at 21:00 on the last day of the qualifying series.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

- 14.1 Support Boats must register with Andy Millington (ribs@itcaworld.org)
- 14.2 Support Boats will sign in at the Regatta Office and comply with the Support Boat regulations as defined in the Sailing Instructions. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel will be required to register at the Regatta Office during the Registration & Measurement days.

15 BOATS AND TRAILER STORAGE

- 15.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park. Trailers can be kept in the designated area (see the attachment)
- 15.2 Information on arrival procedures and practice sailing facilities before Saturday July 20th will be posted on the event web site

16 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An international jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N. There will be no right of appeal against its decisions. Arbitration will be available to decide some protests.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio communication while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephone.

18 SAFETY

Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device, of minimum 50N buoyancy at any time while afloat except when adjusting clothing.

19 PRIZES

The first ten places of the Gold Fleet will receive prizes.

The first three places of the Silver Fleet will receive prizes.

If numbers dictate then the first three in the Bronze Fleet will receive prizes.

Class Association perpetual prizes will be awarded.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £1,500,000 per event or the equivalent.

22 PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

- 22.1 By entering the Championships competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the Championship facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.
- 22.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organising authority.

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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For information regarding accommodation and camper van facilities please refer to the event web site "Travel" section



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Attachment

