



International Dragon Class

South West Championship 2018

Racing Sunday 1 July to Monday 2 July

Royal Torbay Yacht Club

Torquay

Devon

Notice of Race

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Registration Friday 29 and Saturday 30
June 2018

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1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Torbay Yacht Club, Torquay Devon.
- 1.2. The Organising Authority is organising the event in association with the British Dragon Association (BDA).

2. RULES

- 2.1. The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2. The Rules and Regulations of the International Dragon Association and the BDA will apply.
- 2.3. The prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (National Authority) that will apply will be notified on the Official Notice Board.
- 2.4. In the event of conflict between this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall prevail (this changes rule 63.7).

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4.1.
- 3.2. Failure to comply with this regulation shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Only International Dragon Class yachts holding valid measurement certificates shall compete.
- 4.2. The helm and at least one other member of the crew shall be up to date members of their National Dragon Association.
- 4.3. Boats entered by the BDA members shall either have paid a fee to the BDA for 2018 or replaced their boat with one that has already paid a fee for 2018. Any personal details provided as part of the entry / crew registration may be forwarded to the BDA for membership validation.
- 4.4. Entries shall be received prior to midnight on 26 June 2018.
- 4.5. A formal entry from each boat shall be submitted via the entry web site (or paper form) accompanied by the appropriate entry fee (See NOR 5).
- 4.6. Late entries received after midnight on 26 June may only be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.7. Entry will be finalised on completion of registration.

5. FEES

5.1. The entry fees are as follows:

Event	Early fees	Standard Fees	Late fees
	From open of entries until Midnight 30 April	From 0001 on 1 May until midnight 26 June	From 0001 on 27 June until midnight on 30 June
South West Championship	£200	£250	£300
Edinburgh Cup	£400	£500	£600
Both Events	£400	£500	£600
Boats entering the Edinburgh Cup get a free of charge entry into the South West Championship			

All times are UK Local (British Summer time). All fees are GB pounds Sterling (GBP) and payable to Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

5.2. Payments can be made as indicated on the entry form.

5.3. The fee will include:

5.3.1. Participation in the Championship.

5.3.2. Pontoon berthing & trailer storage at Haldon Pier Torquay Harbour from 29 June to 3 July inclusive, (from 29 June to 8 July inclusive if also entering the Edinburgh Cup).

5.3.3. Launching / recovery: (Cranage - See NOR 7 for details).

5.3.4. Three tickets per boat for the South West Championship Welcome Drinks Party on Saturday 30 June.

5.3.5. Three tickets per boat for the South West Championship prize giving (Edinburgh Cup welcome party) on Monday 2 July.

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

6.1. All boats shall register in person at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

6.2. Entrants shall bring the boat's measurement certificate to registration, or a copy can be emailed to manager@rtyc.org in advance. A copy of the measurement form may also be required.

6.3. Weighing of the crew will take place prior to commencement of racing - see NOR 8 for timings.

6.4. Boats shall not present any unmeasured sails for registration and measurement. Sail declarations shall be completed at registration.

6.5. No more than eight sails per boat may be submitted.

6.6. Boats shall not use any sails other than the eight sails listed on the Sails Declaration Form except with the prior written permission of the race committee, and then only in exceptional circumstances.

6.7. All boats shall be afloat and all crew weighed by the end of the registration.

6.8. The latest time for launching is shown in NOR 8.

6.9. The OA reserves the right to conduct measurement and safety equipment checks at any time.

6.10. Substitution of crew will not be permitted without the prior written permission of the race committee. The replacement crew member shall be weighed before racing.

6.11. Each boat shall sail with the same number of crew for the whole event.

7. BERTHING & CRANAGE

7.1. Boats can be craned in and out at Haldon Pier, Torquay Harbour and use visitor pontoon berths provided by Torquay Harbour.

- 7.2. Regardless of the number of events entered (South West Championship / The Edinburgh Cup or both) each boat has just one lift in and one lift out included in the entry fee / combined entry fee.
- 7.3. A boat not wishing to be berthed at Torquay Harbour visitor pontoon berths during the event will make their own arrangements and settle up accordingly.
- 7.4. Boats shall be required to supply their own lifting slings which carry the appropriate test certificate and should be presented to the crane staff prior to any lift taking place. Boats shall provide their own mooring lines and adequate fenders.
- 7.5. The crane facilities will be available as shown in NOR 8.3.
- 7.6. Boats shall not be hauled out during the Championship, except with prior written permission of the race committee.
- 7.7. Boats wishing to use the crane facilities outside of the designated times (Note NOR 6.7 and 7.6) should do so by arrangement with Torbay Seaways Tel: +44 (0)1803 296570.

8. SCHEDULE

- 8.1. Six races are scheduled. It is the race committee's intention to run a maximum of three races each day. However, additional races may be held on any day as necessary with a view to achieving a series.
- 8.2. The Scheduled first warning signal is 1055.
- 8.3. Overall Event Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Location
Fri 29 June	1200-2000	early registration office open	RTYC Race Office
Sat 30 June	0900-1900	registration office open	RTYC Race Office
	0800-1800	crane available for launching	Haldon Pier, Torquay Harbour
	1900-2000	skipper's briefing & welcome drinks party	RTYC
Sun 1 July	1055	first warning signal	Torbay
	Post racing	daily prize giving	RTYC
Mon 2 July	1055	first warning signal	Torbay
	1830	main prize giving & Edinburgh Cup welcome drinks party	RTYC
Tues 3 July	0900 – 1600	crane available for recovery of boats only entered in the South West Championship	South Pier, Torquay Harbour

No warning signal will be displayed after 1555 on the final day of the Championship.

- 8.5. A fully detailed schedule covering both the South West Championship and the Edinburgh Cup (including registration, craning and social events) is available online: <https://edinburghcup.org/competitor-info>

9. COURSES

- 9.1. The courses to be sailed will be of windward/leeward type.
- 9.2. For information see the British Admiralty Nautical Chart 26: "Torbay"

9.3. The Racing areas will be the waters of Torbay.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SI will be available at registration and may be available at an earlier date on the event website:

<https://edinburghcup.org/competitor-info>

11. TROPHY & PRIZES

11.1. Daily prizes will be awarded to the first Boat and the first Corinthian boat in each race, except that a boat can only win a 1st place daily prize once during the Championship. Thereafter the daily prizes will be presented to the highest placed boat that hasn't already won a daily prize.

11.2. Each winner of a trophy may (if such trophy is not customarily kept in the RTYC) have temporary possession of the relevant trophy for a period of one year, and will arrange appropriate insurance for such trophy. The relevant name of the winning boat and its owner should be engraved on such trophy by the winner.

11.3. Overall Championship prizes will be awarded for the first boat overall and the first Corinthian boat overall on completion of the series on Monday 2 July at 1830.

12. CORINTHIAN CLASSIFICATION

12.1. To qualify for the Corinthian Division and Trophy the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22, shall apply and all crew (including the helm) shall hold a valid Group 1 Classification. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3, thus ineligible for the Corinthian Division.

12.2. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions.

12.3. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website: www.sailing.org/classification

12.4. The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be 1200 on 29 June. Crew Declarations will be validated at registration.

12.5. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the World Sailing ID number and classification and classification expiry date for each crew. Late entries for the Corinthian Division may only be accepted at the discretion of the OA.

12.6. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta.

12.7. Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member with their valid World Sailing ID number and classification and classification expiry date must be submitted to the OA for their approval.

12.8. All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

12.9. The Classification limit is the end of protest time on the first day of racing or, in the case of a crew change, at the end of protest time on the first day of racing of the new crew member.

13. SCORING

13.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

13.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

13.3 Pursuant to RRS Appendix A 2.1, when four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14. VHF RADIOS

- 14.1.** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephone communications.
- 14.2.** Race information will be given on marine VHF. The channel to be used will be stated in the SI. Race committee communication on the water shall not be available to competitors.

15. SUPPORT BOATS

- 15.1.** All support boats including coach, press, private and spectator boats shall register during the registration period. For launching and berthing (not included in the entry fee) contact Torquay Harbour.
- 15.2.** Support boats shall be marked with the appropriate country flag. Additionally, the OA may request for these boats to use additional markers or flags.
- 15.3.** In the event of an emergency the race committee may request support boats for their assistance.

16. RISK STATEMENT

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:

- 16.1.** 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;
- 16.2.** They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 16.3.** They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 16.4.** Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 16.5.** 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;
- 16.6.** The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 16.7.** 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.

17. INSURANCE

- 17.1.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.
- 17.2.** Proof of such insurance may be required at registration.

18. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute rights to the OA and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

19. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around any boat between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information about the venue including accommodation options is available on the Royal Torbay Yacht Club website: www.rtyc.org

Enquiries can be directed as follows:

1. RTYC: manager@rtyc.org
2. BDA: Julia Bailey (Chair): jbailey2012@gmail.com