



Open Meeting
for
Fireball Class (Golden Dolphin)
Merlin Rocket Class (Silver Tiller)

27 & 28 April 2019

Hayling Island Sailing Club, Hampshire, UK

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority is Hayling Island Sailing Club

1 RULES

Documents governing this event will be available at the event website:

<http://www.hisc.co.uk/sailing/open-events-2019/fireball-merlin-om/>

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Competitors should note that Hayling Island SC implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The Charter can be found at: www.rya.org.uk/racing/pages/racingcharter.aspx
- 1.3 The notation [DP] in a rule of the NoR or SI means that the penalty for breaching the rule is at the discretion of the protest committee, and may be less than disqualification.

2 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all Fireball and Merlin Rocket class boats.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter at registration, or in advance by post.
- 2.3 Competitors less than 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations before racing (download from HISC website).

3 FEES

Entry fee per boat: £45.00

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration: Saturday 27 April, from 09:00.
- 4.2 There will be a briefing for competitors on Saturday 27 April at 11:00.
- 4.3 The race schedule is as follows:

Date:	Time of 1st warning signal & scheduled races per day	
	Time:	# Races:
27 April	13:00	3
28 April	11:00	3

- 4.4 No warning signal will be made after 15:30 on Sun 28 April.

5 MEASUREMENTS

Boats may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be published on the event website.

7 VENUE

The racing area will be Hayling Bay with Chichester Harbour as an option in case of bad weather.

8 SCORING

8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 8.2 (a) When fewer than three races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When three or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places whilst ashore.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

[DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

11 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to all classes depending on the number of entries.

12 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

13 RISK STATEMENT

13.1 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."

13.2 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 or omission;
- (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 organizer 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 briefing held for the event.
- (h) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £2 million against third-party claims, or the equivalent in other currencies.

14 FURTHER INFORMATION

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