

**Sailing Chandlery SB20 UK National Sprint Championship  
Sailing Chandlery SB20 UK & Open National Championship**

9th – 13th July 2025

Weymouth, Dorset, England

Organising Authority: Weymouth Sailing Club

Event website: [www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc](http://www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc)

**NOTICE OF RACE**

Notation:

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat [changes RRS 60.1].

**1 Rules**

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 [NP][DP] The Bye Laws of the Weymouth and Portland Borough Council and Portland Port Harbour Authority will apply. A copy will be posted on the official notice board.
- 1.3 [NP][DP] RRS 40.1 will apply at all times while afloat.
- 1.4 SB20 class rule C.3.1.(b) will apply.
- 1.5 SB20 class rules C4.2 and C5.1 are changed by NoR 9.
- 1.6 RRS Appendix G3 will apply as changed by NoR 17.
- 1.7 Sailing instructions may change other rules in accordance with RRS 86.1(b).

**2 Sailing instructions**

- 2.1 Sailing instructions will be posted on the online official notice board before 12:00 on 07/07/25. Printed copies of sailing instructions will not be provided at registration.
- 2.2 If there is a conflict between this notice of race and the sailing instructions the sailing instructions will prevail [changes RRS 63.5(c)].

**3 Communication**

- 3.1 Before 09/07/25 the online official noticeboard will be located at [www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc](http://www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc).
- 3.2 During the event the official noticeboard will be located in the Longshed on the ground floor of the WSC clubhouse.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the sailing instructions.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and smart watches.

**4 Eligibility**

The events are open to all boats of the SB20 Class, where at least one sailor onboard is a member of their National SB20 Class Association. Entrants may be of any nationality but the UK National Championship included within the Open & National Championship will be awarded only to a UK class member who is either a UK citizen or a bona-fide UK resident.

**5 Entry**

Attention is drawn to NoR Appendix 2 'Risk Statement'.

**5.1 Conditions of Entry**

- 5.1.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident.
- 5.1.2 Any competitor under 18 years of age on 09/07/25 shall submit a parent / guardian authorisation. See Attachment 1 of the entry form.

**5.2 Entry Procedure**

Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry form available on the event website at: [www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc](http://www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc). This webpage prescribes the conditions of entry, entry procedure and method of online payment.

Entrants encountering any difficulties should contact the SB20 UK Class Association at [office@sb20.org.uk](mailto:office@sb20.org.uk).

Entries will be acknowledged.

### 5.3 Entry fees, entry schedule

| Entry fee category                                | Entry fee schedule                                   | Fee     |
|---|--|---------|
| Sprint Championship only                          | Received anytime                                     | £120.00 |
| Standard entry<br>Sprint & National Championships | Received before 23:59 on 22/06/25                    | £320.00 |
| Late entry<br>Sprint & National Championships     | Received from 00:01 on 23/06/25 to 12:00 on 07/07/25 | £370.00 |

### 5.4 Entries should be received no later than 12:00 on 07/07/25.

### 5.5 Notwithstanding the receipt of entries deadline prescribed in NoR 5.4, additional late entries may be accepted at registration at the discretion of the organising authority and subject to the availability of berthing, trailer parking and an additional surcharge of £50. Competitors considering entering at registration are advised to contact the organising authority before travelling to the event.

### 5.6 Entries not requiring the use of launching and/or craning-out facilities at WSC may select the 'No launching or craning' option on the entry form to receive a £50 entry fee reduction.

### 5.7 The entry fee includes:

- Regatta entry.
  - Launching and craning-out at WSC.
  - Use of allocated berthing in Weymouth Harbour.
  - Prizes as prescribed in Appendix 1.
  - Entrance to the buffet reception on Thursday 10th July.
  - Three tickets to the class barbecue on Friday 11th July.\*
  - Photographic and coaching services.
- (\* additional BBQ tickets will be available at registration at £15 each)

### 5.8 Entry fees, less a £50 administrative fee, will be refunded only if a request for cancellation of entry is received before 12:00 on 30/06/25.

## 6 Advertising

[NP] Competitors may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising material chosen and supplied by the OA.

## 7 Equipment inspection

### 7.1 Boats and equipment may be inspected at any time to confirm compliance with class and event rules. Random checks may be carried out on the water.

### 7.2 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this notice of race.

## 8 Schedule of events

### 8.1 Sprint Championship program. Six races are scheduled.

| Date               | Time          | Event                          | Location     |
|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Wednesday 09/07/25 | 09:00 - 18:00 | Launching                      | WSC yards    |
|                    | 10:30 - 18:30 | Registration                   | WSC Longshed |
| Thursday 10/07/25  | 08:00 - 12:00 | Launching                      | WSC yards    |
|                    | 08:00 - 12:00 | Registration                   | WSC Longshed |
|                    | 12:00         | Competitor's briefing          | WSC Clubroom |
|                    | 13:30         | First warning signal – Race 1  | Weymouth Bay |
|                    | 17:00         | Last warning signal            |              |
|                    | TBA           | Prizegiving & buffet reception | WSC Clubroom |

### 8.2 National Championship program. Nine races are scheduled. No more than four races will be sailed on one day.

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|--------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Wednesday 09/07/25 | 09:00 - 18:00 | Launching                         | WSC yards    |
|                    | 10:30 - 18:30 | Registration                      | WSC Longshed |
| Thursday 10/07/25  | 08:00 - 12:00 | Launching                         | WSC yards    |
|                    | 08:00 - 12:00 | Registration                      | WSC Longshed |
| Friday 11/07/25    | 08:00 - 12:00 | Launching                         | WSC yards    |
|                    | 08:00 - 12:00 | Registration                      | WSC Longshed |
|                    | 10:00         | Competitor's briefing             | WSC Clubroom |
|                    | 12:00         | First warning signal – Race 1     | Weymouth Bay |
|                    | TBA           | UK Association class dinner / BBQ | WSC Clubroom |
| Saturday 12/07/25  | 11:00         | Warning signal                    | Weymouth Bay |
|                    | TBA           | UK Class AGM                      | WSC Clubroom |

|                 |                   |                     |              |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Sunday 13/07/25 | 10:30             | Warning signal      | Weymouth Bay |
|                 | 14:00             | Last warning signal |              |
|                 | ASAP after racing | Craning-out         | WSC yards    |
|                 | TBA               | Prizegiving         | WSC Clubroom |

## 9 Changes to class rules

- 9.1 In accordance with class rule C.4.2 the following items are permitted:  
[DP] Mobile phones and smart watches may be carried on board. Except in an emergency, they shall be turned off while racing [changes SB20 class rule C.4.2(1)].
- 9.2 Class rule C5.1 is deleted and replaced with the following:  
MANDATORY
- One non-floating tow line of not less than 30m length and 8mm diameter, which can double as an anchor line.
  - Two paddles of combined minimum weight not less than 1 kg.
  - A functioning VHF radio or a functioning mobile phone used for emergency purposes only while racing.
  - First aid kit in a waterproof container.
  - A knife or a multi-tool containing a knife.
  - One anchor and a minimum of 1.5m of 6mm steel chain that shall weigh not less than 6kg (including shackles) and shall be securely stowed when not in use.
- 9.3 As required by RRS 87 the written permission of the UK SB20 class association for these changes will be posted on the official noticeboard.

## 10 Registration

- 10.1 All entrants shall register at the race office located in the WSC Longshed at the times stated in NoR 8. At registration entrants shall:
- 10.1.1 Complete a crew weight check. Late arriving crew members may weigh separately.
  - 10.1.2 Complete all relevant documentation required by the organising authority.
  - 10.1.3 Sign a completed entry form including a declaration that the boat is covered by third-party liability insurance as prescribed in NoR 5.1.1.
  - 10.1.4 Pay any outstanding fees.

## 11 Launching, craning-out, berthing

- 11.1 Launching and craning-out of visiting boats will take place at WSC at the times indicated in NoR 8.
- 11.2 Berthing will be available in Weymouth Harbour from 09/07/25 until 13/07/25. Boats will be moored alongside pontoons or other vessels. Competitors shall provide adequate warps and fenders to enable boats to be moored and rafted four abreast.
- 11.3 Trailers will be stored at WSC.

## 12 Launching deadline, cleaning of hulls, haul out restrictions

- 12.1 [DP] All boats shall be launched before 12:00 on 11/07/25 and shall not be cleaned below the waterline before the end of the event. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be permitted at any time.
- 12.2 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out before the end of the event except with and according to the terms of prior permission of the race committee. Any boat so authorised shall not be cleaned below the waterline other than is necessary to effect repairs and shall be re-launched as soon as is possible.

## 13 Keels

[DP] Except when released for the purposes of re-floating when aground, keels shall remain fixed down from 12:00 on 11/07/24 until the end of the event. Rudders may be removed.

## 14 Course location, configuration

- 14.1 Racing will take place in Weymouth Bay with the centre of the course area located at approximately 50°37'75" N / 02°24'.50" W.
- 14.2 Courses will be of windward – leeward configuration and will be defined in the sailing instructions.

## 15 Penalty system

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## 16 Scoring

- 16.1 The UK National Sprint Championship and the UK Open & National Championships will be scored as separate series.
- 16.2 UK National Sprint Championship
- 16.2.1 Six races are scheduled of which one shall be completed to constitute a series.

16.2.2 When fewer than three races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

16.3 UK Open & National Championships

16.3.1 Nine races are scheduled of which two shall be completed to constitute a series.

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

16.3.3 The Open & UK National Championships will be scored together. To determine the results of the UK National Championship the series scores of boats eligible for that event will be extracted and ranked in order.

**17 Identification on sails**

RRS Appendix G3 will apply. A boat chartered or loaned for the event may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number in contravention of her class rules. This number shall be displayed as required on all mainsails used in the event by that boat. In no circumstances will a boat be permitted to display the sail number of another boat that is racing [changes RRS Appendix G3].

**18 Support boats**

18.1 [DP] Support boats shall register with the OA at the times stated in NoR 8. They shall comply with the bye laws referred to in NoR 1.2 and the coach boat regulations appended to the sailing instructions.

18.2 RRS 37 will be used. Support boats shall carry a functional VHF radio capable of receiving transmissions on VHF channels 9 and 16.

**19 Data protection**

Weymouth Sailing Club and the SB20 UK Class Association have determined they have a legitimate interest to process competitors' personal data for the purposes of promotion, management and reporting of the 2025 SB20 National Championships.

**20 Media rights**

Competitors and/or their Guardians automatically grant to the OA, Class Association and any party to which either 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.

**21 Prizes**

See NoR Appendix 1.

**22 Risk statement**

See NoR Appendix 2.

**23 Additional information**

Additional information to competitors, which does not constitute part of the Notice of Race, may be found under the appropriate sections at [www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc](http://www.sb20.org.uk/2025-nationals-weymouth-sc).

These items will be updated prior to the event and will include information on social program, arrivals, berthing, accommodation, etc.

**24 Contact Information**

24.1 The event organising committee and organising authority may be contacted at:  
SB20 Nationals Organising Group (SBOG),  
[sailing@wsc.org.uk](mailto:sailing@wsc.org.uk) / 01305 785481 (office).

24.2 General enquiries:  
John Morrison [sailing@wsc.org.uk](mailto:sailing@wsc.org.uk) / 01305 785481 (office).

24.3 The UK SB20 Class Association may be contacted at:  
[office@sb20.org.uk](mailto:office@sb20.org.uk)

24.4 Launching, craning-out locations:  
Weymouth Sailing Club, Nothe Parade, Weymouth, Dorset DT4 8TX.  
W3W: ///saying.noises.flows; ///skip.news.spin.

24.5 The national authority may be contacted at:  
Royal Yachting Association, RYA House, Ensign Way, Hamble, Southampton, Hampshire, SO31 4YA.  
[enquiries@rya.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@rya.org.uk) / 0845 345 0400.

## APPENDIX 1 – PRIZES

### SB20 UK National Sprint Championship

#### Bugle Trophy

Perpetual trophy awarded to overall winner of the series.

#### Additional prizes

TBC.

### SB20 UK & Open National Championships

#### Nationals Cup

Perpetual trophy awarded to the highest place boat in the series who is a member of the SB20 UK Class Association and whose helm and at least one other crew member are UK citizens or UK residents.

#### Harken Youth Trophy

Perpetual trophy awarded to the highest placed boat in the series where the helm is under 25 and the average age of all crew members is under 25. The terms for the award of this prize may be revised by the SB20 UK Class Association Committee before the start of the series.

#### Ladies Prize

The terms for the award of this prize will be determined by the SB20 UK Class Association Committee before the start of the series.

#### Additional prizes

TBC.

#### Chieftain Training course

This prize will be raffled among all boats who have entered the event before 1st May 2025.

It comprises a one-day shore-based survival, first aid, splicing, engine maintenance or radar course for 1 person. To be redeemed by one of the crew within 9 months of the event. Subject to availability and non-transferrable.

## APPENDIX 2 – 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 is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the 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 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 and competitors briefings held at the venue.