**NOTICE OF RACE**

**Highcliffe Sailing Club shall host the Phantom and Europe National Championships**

**8th-10th September 2017**

The Organising Committee (OC) is Highcliffe Sailing Club (HSC) working in collaboration with the Phantom and Europe UK Class Associations (BCA) and Royal Yachting Association (RYA)

1. **RULES**
	1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

## FORMAT AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

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| Date | Time | Race/ event |
| 8th Sept | 13:00pm | Race 1 & 2 |
| 9th Sept | 11:00am | Race 3, 4, 5 & 6 |
| 10th Sept | 10:30am | Race 7 & 8 |

There shall be no warning signal after 3pm on 10th September 2016

## RACING AREA

* 1. Approx 1 mile south of the entrance to Christchurch Harbour within Christchurch Bay

## THE COURSE



Start

Finish

1

2

3

Committee

Phantom Course Options

Course A will be 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p Finish

Course B will be 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, Finish

Course C will be 1p 3p (repeat until shortened course flag is raised)

Europe Course

1p 2p, 3p, 1p, 3p, 1p, 2p, 3p Finish

## MARKS

* 1. Marks 1,2 and 3 shall be large orange tetrahedrons. The starting mark shall be a dan buoy with orange flag. The finish mark shall be a dan buoy with blue flag. Alternative marks will be yellow cylinders.

## THE START

* 1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
	2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the start mark described in 10.1
	3. The Europe Class shall follow the Phantom Class if there is a General recall the Phantom start will be completed before the Europe start.

## THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an blue flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and a dan buoy at the port.

## SCORING

* 1. The Low point scoring system will be used.
	2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.

 When five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

When eight (8) races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## SAFETY REGULATIONS

* 1. While afloat competitors must wear adequate personal buoyancy under all circumstances.

## REGATTA SPONSORED ADVERTISING

Boats shall display advertising if supplied by the OA.

## SUPPORT BOATS

* 1. All support boats shall be registered with the OA before launching.
	2. Except in case of emergency, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 50 meters outside areas where boats are racing and shall not communicate with boats from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
	3. Support boats shall be marked with the national flag of the country they represent.
	4. Support boats should be prepared to offer assistance to competing boats in the event of adverse weather if requested to do so by the race committee.

## TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. A penalty of breaking rule 55 may be less than qualification if the protest committee so decides.

## PRIZES

Prices and trophies shall be awarded at the prize giving ceremony in the club house on the final day of the event

## SOCIAL

## There will be a meal provided in the clubhouse on Friday evening and a BBQ on Saturday evening.

## DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

## INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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