



2024 Kestrel Class UK National Championship

3rd to 6th / 7th August 2024 (with the 7th a reserve day)

Hosted by the Royal Tay Yacht Club - www.royaltay.org - the organising authority

In partnership with the Kestrel Owners Association - www.kestrel.org.uk

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Rules

1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 RRS 63.7 is changed so that in any conflict between the Notice of a Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.

1.3 Competitors should note that the Royal Tay Yacht Club 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/rules/racing-charter

1.4 The Tay Estuary is a working harbour and competitors are obligated to adhere to the by-laws that are in force.

2 Communications and Sailing Instructions

2.1 All documents governing the event will be available from the event section of the RTYC website (above) and the official notice board before the event.

2.2 The class website will also carry links to relevant information (above).

2.3 Those entering will be invited to join an event specific What's App group.

3 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The event is open to all boats which comply with the Kestrel Owners Association rules. These can be found on the Kestrel Owners Association website (above).

3.2 The helm of each boat shall be a full paid up member of the Kestrel Owners Association.

3.3 Boats may enter by completing and submitting the Entry Form which can be downloaded from the Kestrel website (above) or the RTYC website (above) and paying the required entry fee.

3.4 Entries shall be received before the 1st August.

3.5 Competitors Under18 shall submit a Parent/Guardian Declaration before racing.

4 Fees

Entries received before the 1st June 2024 - £150

Entries received by 31st July 2024 - £170

Entries received after the 1st August 2024 - £190 (£20 being paid to the RNLI)

5 Advertising In the event of an event sponsor, boats will display any advertising material supplied by the organising authority.

6 Schedule

6.1 Registration – Shall take place from 1400 on Friday 2nd August and up until 10:00 on Saturday 3rd August in RTYC clubhouse. Additional information regarding registration will be posted on the RTYC website.

6.2 Racing Programme :

	First warning not before	Number of Races	Format
Saturday 3 rd Aug	12:55	2	Back To Back
Sunday 4 th Aug	12:55	3	2 Back to back
Monday 5 th Aug	12:55	3	2 Back to Back
Tuesday 6 th Aug	12:55	2	Back to Back
Wednesday 7 th Aug	Reserve Day		

6.3 Programme information :

Saturday - Two races. No shore break. Back in for a late lunch.

High Water 15:27

Sunday - Three races. Possible break for lunch ashore.

High Water 16:12

Monday - Two shorter races, lunch ashore, followed by longer race west through the bridges if conditions are suitable.

High Water 16:51

Tuesday - Two races. Late lunch ashore.

LW 11:08 - HW 17:23

Wednesday - the reserve day will be used only if more than 2 races have been lost earlier in the racing programme.

HW 17:51

6.4 No warning signal will be made after 14:55 on the last day, whichever that is.

7 Equipment inspection

7.1 Competitors should have available a valid measurement certificate for their boat at the time of registration.

7.2 Boats may be inspected to ensure compliance with the class rules.

7.3 Sails should all have valid measurement certification.

7.4 RRS3 applies. A boat chartered or loaned for the event may carry a sail number in contravention of her class rules.

8 Venue

8.1 The venues will be the Royal Tay Yacht Club and racing will be in the Tay Estuary, off the Grassy Beach.

8.2 Venue information and information for visitors can be found on the club website (above).

9 Courses

9.1 Courses will be described in the sailing instructions and course cards may be issued at registration, if required.

9.2 There will be a variety of courses sailed, including one long distance race.

10 Scoring

10.1 Three races will be required to constitute a series.

10.2 When four or fewer races have been sailed, a boat's score will be the total of her races sailed.

10.3 When five to ten races have been sailed, a boat's total will exclude her worst result.

11 Prizes

11.1 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority.

11.2 KOA trophies will be presented each day to the winners of the designated races at 21:00 in Glenogil House.

11.3 KOA special trophies will be awarded at the event prize-giving which will take place at Glenogil House approx two hours after the last boat comes ashore from the final race.

11.4 There will be prizes for the Gold and Silver fleets, the split to be determined by the KOA in conjunction with the organising authority.

12 Risk Statement

RRS3 states : *“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone”*. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous sport with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds, rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

13 Insurance

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

14 Further information

14.1 The club has parking spaces for campers and 4 plug-ins are available for £10 per 24 hours.

14.2 Dinghy park space is at premium and boats should be stored on top of their road-base.

14.3 CLUB CONTACT : The club secretary Tel : 01282 477516

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email : clubsecretary@royaltay.org

14.4 CLASS CONTACT : KOA representative Tel : 01382 477133 Stewart Murdoch

Mobile : 07951 380178

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15 Membership & Liability

15.1. All visiting competitors and families will be deemed as visiting yachtsmen during the event and as such shall abide by the club’s rules and bye-laws.