The Organising Authority is the Royal Yachting Association in conjunction with the International 49er and Nacra 17 Class Associations and Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES
   1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
   1.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply
   1.3 For the Medal Race, World Sailing Addendum Q (as posted on the official notice board) takes precedence over any conflicting instructions.
   1.4 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions. The Class Race Management Guidelines will also apply.
   1.5 The RYA National Authority prescriptions will apply, see Attachment C.
   1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
   1.7 This is a World Sailing 100 point ranking event

2. ADVERTISING
   2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
2.2 For 49er and 49erFX - the bottom two panels of the jib area shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved 49er Class jib advertising policy. For Nacra 17 - the area of the jib, except for the visibility window, shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved Nacra 17 Class jib advertising policy.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
3.2 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each of the Olympic Events.
3.3 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er or Nacra 17 Class Associations.
3.4 Entries should be received by the Organising Authority no later than 31st March 2019 to qualify for the early entry fee and will only be accepted after 28th April 2019 with the payment of an additional £100.
3.5 Competitors can enter and pay the fee by visiting: [www.rya.org.uk/racing-events/2019-europeans](http://www.rya.org.uk/racing-events/2019-europeans)

4. FEES
Entry Fees
For 49er and 49erFX: £265 (until 31st March 2019), £315 (until 28th April 2019), £415 (after 28th April 2019)
These fees include the International Class Championship Fee.
Coach Fee per person: £65, no separate fee for support boat registration

5. FORMAT OF RACING
5.1 The Championships will consist of an Opening Series and a Medal Race. The Opening Series will be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Fleet Racing Series.
5.2 The Medal Race will be a single, double points race and detailed further in the Sailing Instructions.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
6.1 Wednesday 8 May 1700 Beach clean
       Friday 10 May 0900 - 1800 Registration/Inspection
                1800 Nacra 17 Class EGM
                1900 Nacra 17 Open Class Forum
       Saturday 11 May 0900 - 1800 Registration/Inspection
               1900 49er Open Class Forum
       Sunday 12 May 0900 - 1100 Registration/Inspection
                1255 Practice Races
                1730 Competitors Briefing
                1800 Opening Ceremony
       Monday 13 May 1055 Qualifying Races
      Tuesday 14 May 1055 Qualifying Races
     Wednesday 15 May 1055 Qualifying Races
      Thursday 16 May 1055 Flexible day
Friday 17 May 1055  Fleet Races
Saturday 18 May 1055  Fleet Races
Sunday 19 May 0955  Fleet Races
1500   Medal Races
Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony
as soon as possible after the Medal Races

6.2 On Sunday 19 May there will be no warning signal after 1600 for those taking part in
the Final Fleet Races and after 1800 for those taking part in the Medal Races.

7. MEASUREMENT
7.1 All boats shall be inspected for class rules compliance prior to racing, according to the
Schedule of Events. Additional spot measurement checks may be carried out during
the Championship.
7.2 For 49er, 49erFX, and Nacra 17 only one set of sails and one forestay shall be used
throughout the duration of the Championship.
7.3 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

9. VENUE
The 2019 49er, 49erFX and Nacra 17 European Championships will be held at the
Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy, Portland, UK

For mailing/shipping: please contact the Sally Reynoldson at Weymouth and Portland
National Sailing Academy sally.reynoldson@wpnsa.org.uk

10. THE COURSES
Courses will be;
For 49er and 49erFX - windward/leeward with a gate at the leeward end of the course.
For Nacra 17 - windward/leeward with a spreader mark at the windward end and a
gate at the leeward end of the course.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM
RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a
One-Turn penalty.

12. SCORING
12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply to the Opening Series
12.2 At least 5 races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

13. SAFETY
In the event of an emergency the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping
off point for safety boats coming from the racing area will be inside the Portland
Marina close to the crane. This meeting point will be where an ambulance will be
waiting when required. The location of the Emergency Meeting Point is shown in
Attachment B

14. SUPPORT BOATS
14.1 Support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Class Support Boat Regulations which can be viewed on the Class website. Team leaders/coaches shall register at www.rya.org.uk/racing-events/2019-europeans and complete on-site registration at the race office at the venue.

14.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their WS Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm.

14.3 If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

15. INTERNATIONAL JURY
An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

16. PRIZES
Prizes for the Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of the Medal Races for the first three places overall and for the Other Fleet(s) respectively. The winners will receive medals -
- European Open Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- European Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- Junior European Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd for top U23 (on 31st December 2019) team
- Silver fleet winner
- Bronze fleet winner (if applicable)

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION
Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

18. INSURANCE
Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least £1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

19. RISK STATEMENT
RRS 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:
- 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;
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- 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 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 event and to attend any safety briefing held for this event.

20. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

20.1 Where consent for imagery has been given by a competitor participating in the Championship, competitors grant to the Organising Authority, the International 49er and the Nacra 17 Class Associations and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.

20.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.

20.3 Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences at the Championship.
ATTACHMENT A - RACING AREA
ATTACHMENT B - EMERGENCY MEETING POINT

Emergency evacuation and ambulance meeting point
ATTACHMENT C

RYA Prescriptions that apply

Rule

3. Acceptance of the Rules

Add new rule 3.6: ‘Each competitor and boat owner shall ensure that their support persons comply with the rules.’

5. Anti-Doping

The National Authority procedural rules required by World Sailing regulation 21.16 to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through World Sailing regulation 21 are the RYA Anti-Doping Rules - click here to read

67. Damages

1. Any claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and not considered by a protest committee.
2. A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a rule.

86.3 Rule Changes

An Organising Authority wishing to develop or test alternative rules shall obtain prior approval from the RYA. The Organising Authority shall promptly report the results of the test to the RYA.

88.2 Changes to National Authority Prescriptions

Notices of race and sailing instructions shall not change a prescription of the RYA. However, when an International Jury has been appointed for an event, only the prescriptions of RRS 3, 5, 67, 86.3 and 88.2 shall apply.