



The Poole Yacht Club



**Notice of Race
The Poole Yacht Club
OK Dinghy Southern.
Sponsored by P&B
11/12th October 2025**

1. Rules

- 1.1 The Organising Authority is The Poole Yacht club Poole, BH15 4AQ.
- 1.2 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").
RRS 40.1 (Personal Flotation Devices) shall apply at all times when afloat. [DP]
- 1.3 The rules and bylaws of The Poole Yacht Club will apply.
- 1.4 The Sailing Instructions may change racing rules and such changes will be stated in the Sailing Instructions. In the event of any conflict between the NoR and the SI's the SI's shall prevail. This changes rule 63.5C.
- 1.5 The OK Class Rules apply and are available on the World Sailing website.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be published on the event website on or before *Saturday 4th October 2025*.

3. Communications

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board for the event will be the board outside the club changing rooms. Documents will also be displayed on the club website & OK website.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the International OK Dinghy class.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event on the event website: <https://www.okdinghy.co.uk> by paying the required fee and completing the required online registration forms.
- 4.3 In accordance with clause C.2.1(b) of the OK class rules, all entries in the OK class shall be members of an OK Class association.

5. Fees

- 5.1 The entry fee for the open meeting on 11/12 October 2025 is £50 paid before the late fee deadline of 23.59 on Tuesday 7th October after this date there will be a late fee of £10 added on top.
- 5.2 Refunds will not be possible for cancellation unless by written application.
- 5.3 If the event is cancelled by the organisers prior to the fleet launching all competitors will be offered a free transfer to a rescheduled date, or a refund.

6. Schedule

- 6.1 Registration will take place between 09:30 and 11:30 on Saturday 11th October 2025.



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6.2 A race briefing will be held at 11:30 on Saturday 11th October 2025 on the ground floor patio south of the building.

3 The target is for 6 races of 45 minutes each, sailed at the discretion of the Race Officer. The target being 3 per day.

6.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is:

Saturday 11th October, 12.55

Sunday 12th October, 10.55

Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

6.5 Competitors should be prepared to remain afloat between races. There will be no return to the club for lunch, competitors are advised to provide their own lunch or a lunch pack can be provided by prior arrangement at a price to be confirmed.

6.6 No warning signal will be made after 15:30 on the Sunday

7. Measurement

7.1 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate which must be presented upon request. A tow rope must be carried under the class rules.

8. Racing Areas and Courses

8.1 Racing will take place in Poole Harbour, south of the yacht club in the “Top Triangle” area.

8.2 Racing areas and courses for will be indicated in the Sailing Instructions. Courses are proposed as Olympic triangle with one triangle and one sausage per race.

9. Scoring

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

9.2 The series score for each boat will be the sum of her scores as follows:

9.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

9.4 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10. Prizes

10.1 Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

10.2 The Sponsor will be P&B and will be providing prizes

11. Risk Statement

11.1 RRS 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 any event at The Poole Yacht Club, each participant agrees and acknowledges that:

11.2 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 such events.



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- 11.3 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property, whether afloat or ashore.
- 11.4 They accept responsibility for any injury, loss or damage to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
- 11.5 They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extreme weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather and that their safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed, in date and familiar to the crew.
- 11.6 The provision of race management teams, Support boats and other officials and volunteers by the organisers does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 11.7 The provision of support boat cover is limited to such assistance as can be practically provided in the circumstances, particularly in extreme weather conditions. Further, in the event that any assistance is rendered to a competitor, no liability for any loss, damage or injury to the competitor, and/or the boat and its equipment is accepted either by the club or the crew of such craft.
- 11.8 It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks, regulations and/or bye-laws specific to sailing or racing in Poole Harbour and Poole Bay including:
- 11.9 Tidal conditions in Poole Harbour, which are complex with areas of shallow water common as well as very fast tidal flows in parts of the harbour.
- 11.10 The area is used by a wide variety of craft, including large commercial vessels restricted in their ability to manoeuvre, a chain ferry in the harbour entrance and, at times, high volumes of leisure boat traffic. The Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREG) 1972, applies to all these craft including racing yachts.
- 11.11 The Poole Harbour Sail Racing Procedures issued by Poole Harbour Commissioners, (<https://www.phc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/SAIL-RACING-PROCEDURES-2025.pdf>) which place requirements on all those subject to RRS competing within the harbour.

12. Insurance

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall have valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of not less than £3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13. Further Information

- 13.1 For further information, please contact the Sailing manager AJ : sailing@pooleyc.co.uk or
simon Philbrick : simon@sphilbrick.com