



2025 DF95 National Championship

NOTICE of RACE

Barton's Point Coastal Park 27th & 28th September 2025

Host Club: East Kent RSC

Club Location

Barton's Point Coastal Park, Marine Parade, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 2BX

What3words Location: ///scatters.small.value Website: www.eastkentradiosailingclub.com

Rules:

The event will be governed by the current version of the following rules:

- World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing as changed by the RRS Appendix E
- MYA Standard Sailing Instructions
- DF95 Class Rules
- RYA Racing Charter
- HMS for multi-fleet event or other nominated scoring system at briefing.

Schedule:

26th September 2025 14:00 – 17:00 Registration and Practice

27th September 2025

08:30 -09:45 Registration and Practice

09:45 Race Officer's briefing

10:00 Racing Starts

17:00 No race to start after this time

28th September 2025

09:15 Race Officer's briefing

09:30 Racing Starts

15:30 No race to start after this time

Any race in progress will be abandoned if the first boat in 'A' heat has not finished before **16:00 hrs**.

Prizegiving will take place as soon as possible after racing.

Entry

Online, using the MYA online entry system via the MYA website.

All competitors shall be members of the MYA, or foreign clubs affiliated to a Delegated National Member of IRSA.

All boats must be registered with the DF Class Association or equivalent Class Association in their country of origin. All boats shall display their registered sail number in accordance with class rules or a personal sail number as allocated under the personal sail number scheme operated by the MYA.

All competitors are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.

Closing Date

23rd September 2025 18:00hrs. After that time late entries may be accepted only at the discretion of the host club.

Entry Fee

The event entry fee is £32.00 payable online at entry.

Club Contact

Jim La Roche, via email: jlr.gbr57@gmail.com

Boat Inspection

The Race Committee or an officer of the DF UK Class Association may at any time inspect any boat to ensure compliance with the Class Rules and random checks may be made throughout the event.

Competitors with Disability

Competitors that require any form of help or special requirements should, prior to entry, get in touch with the club contact to check if the club is able to help with the provision of any such special requirements. The onus is on the competitor to establish whether the available facilities are adequate before deciding to enter the event.

Frequencies

Permitted frequencies are 27 MHz, 40 MHz and 2.4 GHz.

For frequency bands other than 2.4GHz, a minimum of five (5) frequencies shall be stated on the entry form and be available at the event.

Protests

A protest committee will be appointed by the Race Committee to hear any protests arising from the event and may comprise of competitors not involved in the incident.

Permission to use Images

By entering, all competitors expressly give their permission for any images or photographs taken during the event to be used by the MYA, the DF UK Association & East Kent RSC for promotion and press releases etc.

Parking

Unrestricted and free within Barton's Point Coastal Park. Car park gates are locked, overnight parking is not permitted.

Launching

Depending on wind direction and course layout, launching will be in designated areas either via a concrete path / landing stage or from the grass lake embankment. The embankment can be muddy, it is recommended to bring boots, sturdy footwear is recommended to cope with the uneven surfaces.

Additional Information

- The lake is open and exposed, we suggest you bring suitable clothing for any weather conditions.
- There are public toilets located in car park.
- The lake is saltwater; fresh water may be available to wash down boats after sailing.

Disclaimer of Liability

All those entering or taking part in this event do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Model Yachting Association, the organising authority, the host club, and any other parties involved in the organisation of this event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods both ashore or on the water as a consequence of entering or participating in the event covered by this Notice of Race. At all times the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves plus the decision to participate or continue must rest with the competitor.

Risk Statement

- 19.1 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."
- 19.2 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:
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, 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, recovery boat and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser, does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of recovery 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 briefing held for the event.

Catering

The onsite cafe may be open. To be advised nearer the event.

Accommodation

As there is no current concession operating, campervans and caravans will have to use the car park but overnight stays are not allowed. There are no facilities other than toilets. There are many caravan parks on the island.

A 10% discount has been organised at the Abbey Hotel if booked direct. The rate includes breakfast. A twin/double room should be £71, single £63.00 per night. Mention organisers name, Jim La Roche and East Kent RSC when booking.

Hotels

The Abbey Hotel and Conference Centre The Broadway, Minster-on-Sea, Sheerness, Kent, ME12 2DA

Tel: 01795 872873

Web: www.abbey-hotel.net (1 mile from Barton's Point)

The Royal Hotel 29 The Broadway, Sheerness Kent, ME12 1AB

Tel: 01795 662626

Web: www.royalhotelsheerness.com (2 miles from Barton's Point)

Premier Inn, Sittingbourne Sheppey Way, Sittingbourne, ME9 8RZ

Tel: 03333 218678

Web: www.premierinn.com

Brewers Fayre Restaurant on-site (8.5 miles from Barton's Point.)

Travelodge, Sittingbourne, Bourne Place, St. Michaels Road Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3JY

Tel: 08719 846562

Web: www.travelodge.co.uk (10 miles from Barton's Point.)

Other accommodation is available in the area, use internet search engine.