



Kielder Water Sailing Club

ILCA Lakeland & Border Grand Prix

Catapult Open

Handicap Dinghy Open

Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th September 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025 – 2028
- 1.2 Rights to use Names & Likenesses: Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions will be made available to download from kielderwatersailing.club. Sailing instructions will also be posted on the event official notice board located by the registration desk in the clubhouse.
- 1.4 In the event of a contradiction between this notice and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions will apply.

2.0 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 This event is open to all sailing dinghies with a PN handicap below 1400
- 3.2 The current RYA National Portsmouth Number list is available from the RYA's website:
<https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/technical/handicap-systems/portsmouth-yardstick>
- 3.3 Competitors under the age of 18 years at the time of the event shall be required to complete and lodge the parental/guardian's consent form included in the entry form with the Race Committee prior to the start of racing.
- 3.4 Competitors should note that Kielder Water SC implement the RYA Racing Charter and that they [competitors] will be required to undertake to sail in compliance with the Charter which can be found at the front of the RYA rule book (Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024).

4.0 FEES

- 4.1 Event entry fees will be as follows:

Double Hander	£40
Single Hander	£20
ILCA Class	£16

Discounted entry for KWSC members.

ILCA Lakeland & Border Series includes class levy

5.0 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration will be at KWSC from 9:30am on Saturday 13th September
- 5.2 A competitor briefing will be held at 12:00pm, on 13th September
- 5.3 Racing timetable:

Date	Proposed number or races	First warning signal
19th September	Three (3) back-to-back races	12:30pm
20th September	Three (3) back-to-back races	10:30am

6.0 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

7.0 SCORING

- 7.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 7.2 For handicap classes, the scores for the series will be calculated using standard PY's
- 7.3 A minimum of 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 7.4 If 5 races are sailed, one discard will be allowed.

8.0 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats.

9.0 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded depending upon the numbers of competitors in the fleet.

10.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority 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.

11.0 RISK STATEMENT

It must be recognised that sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the open day, you agree and acknowledge that:

- (i) You are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and you accept responsibility exposing yourself to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the open day.
- (ii) You must always comply with the instructions of the Open particularly regarding handling of boats, wearing of buoyancy aids and the wearing of suitable clothing for the conditions.
- (iii) You accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by your own negligence.
- (iv) You will not participate in the event whilst your ability to skipper or crew a dinghy is impaired by alcohol, drugs or whilst otherwise unfit to participate.
- (v) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance as can be practically provided in the circumstances and does not relieve the helmsman / crew of their responsibilities.

12.0 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £2,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

13.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 **Invasive Non-Native Species:** Visitors must ensure to follow boat wash down procedure on arrival. The wash down station is located at Tower Knowe, the key may be accessed via the visitor centre or from the event organiser at the sailing club. This strictly applies to visitors from other inland waterways. The wash down procedure is to reduce the risk of introducing invasive non-native species to the reservoir.
- 13.2 **Car Parking:** Once dinghies are unloaded, please park your vehicle either in the on-site parking area or as directed. If parking on-site at the club, please ensure not to block member's boats in.
- 13.3 **Further information:** contact info@kielderwatersailing.club