

B14 CLASS ASSOCIATION EUROPEAN & NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024



B14

Royal Torbay Yacht Club
12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, TQ1 2BH

Wednesday 12th to Sunday 16th June
NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC)
In conjunction with the UK International B14 Class Association (UKB14)
This event is being organised at the same time and in conjunction with the I14 Class Association National Championships and POW for which separate NoR and Sailing Instructions will be published.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a) The notation (DP) in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 including Royal Yachting Association (RYA) prescriptions.
- 1.2 Competitors should note that the OA implements the RYA Racing Charter and that they will be expected to sail in compliance with it. The charter can be found at the front of the RYA edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 or on the RYA website at [Racing Charter \(rya.org.uk\)](https://www.rya.org.uk/charter)
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing, to the extent that they apply. Available at [Equipment Rules Index : Equipment Rules | World Sailing](https://www.worldsailing.com/equipment-rules)
- 1.4 The rules of the International B14 Class Association apply, except where changed by this NoR.
- 1.5 RRS 40 Personal Flotation Devices - RRS 40.1 applies at all times whilst afloat.
- 1.6 RRS 44.1 Penalty System is changed, see NoR 12.
- 1.7 (DP) Torbay Harbour Byelaws.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)

- 2.1 Sailing instructions will be published on the Official Notice Board (ONB) by Friday 31st May.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at [B14 Nationals 2024](#)
- 3.2 Notices may also be displayed on the noticeboard on the ground floor of RTYC.
- 3.3 (DP) While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 3.4 A WhatsApp group may also be used to contact registered mobile numbers for each boat providing notifications and Race Committee (RC) communications whilst ashore. Failure to receive WhatsApp messages shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

4 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the B14 Class whose helm or crew are current members of the B14 Class Association at the time of the event.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and making payment.
- 4.3 The OA will acknowledge receipt of entries and payment, and entry information will be posted on the event website.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry, a boat shall meet all entry and registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Entries will not be accepted after midnight on Sunday 9th June.
- 4.6 Once payment has been received, any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the OA.
- 4.7 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian Declarations as part of the entry process and submit details of the parent(s) acting in loco parentis.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fees include 4 days racing, boat and trailer parking, prizes, welcome drinks and class dinner.
 - Entry Fee until midnight on May 31st £190
 - Late Entry Fee from June 1st to midnight on Sunday 9th June £220
- 5.2 Other Fees – Tickets for other Social events and meals will be available via the event website at rtyc.org.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 Substitution of the person named as helm on the entry form shall not be permitted for the series.
- 6.2 Permission to substitute the person named as crew on the entry form for the series will only be considered by written application to the OA.

7 ADVERTISING (DP)

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied and instructed by the OA.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9. REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULE

9.1 Boats shall check-in upon arrival at Haldon Pier, where dinghy parking spaces will be allocated. Car/vans are to be removed to the adjacent car park as soon as possible after unloading, to avoid congestion on the Harbourside.

9.2 **Registration** will take place in the Race Office on the ground floor of the RTYC

Date	From	To
Wednesday 12 th June	12.00	17.00
Thursday 13 th June	09.00	11.00

9.3 All competitors shall show evidence of their affiliated organisation, see NoR 4.1

9.4 All boats shall confirm their sail number, crew names and designated helm. Any subsequent crew changes during the event shall require the prior written approval of the RC.

9.5 **Equipment Inspection and Event Measurement** will take place on Haldon Pier...

Date	From	To
Wednesday 12 th June	12.00	18.00
Thursday 13 th June	09.00	11.00

9.6 Dates and Times of Racing

Date		1 st Warning Signal
Thursday 13 th June	Europeans	12.55 3 Races
Friday 14 th June	Europeans and Nationals	12.55 3 Races
Saturday 15 th June	Europeans and Nationals	12.55 3 Race
Sunday 16 th June	Europeans and Nationals	11.55 2 Races

9.7 There will be a competitors' briefing on Haldon Pier at 11.00 Thursday 13th June.

9.8 For the European Championships it is intended to run a series of 11 races over 4 days with up to 4 races in any one day.

9.9 For the National Championships it is intended to run a series of 8 races over 3 days with up to 4 races in any one day.

9.10 Changes to the schedule will be dependent upon prevailing weather, forecast and sea conditions.

9.11 On last scheduled day of racing there will be no warning signal after 15.00.

10 (DP) EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Boats shall be available for equipment inspection during the times specified in NoR 9.5. No first time measurement of sails or equipment shall take place during the equipment inspection sessions.

10.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time.

10.3 Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1 from the time at which equipment inspection under NoR 9.5 is completed.

10.4 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this NoR.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1 See Class Rules

12 VENUE

- 12.1 Addendum A shows the location of Torquay Harbour
- 12.2 Racing will take place in Tor Bay see Addendum B.

13 THE COURSES

- 13.1 Courses to be sailed will be described in the SI's.
- 13.2 The marks will be laid inflatables and described in the SI's.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 does not apply. This changes RRS 44.
- 14.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty. The Post Race Penalty, the Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information of the procedures, go to rya.org.uk/go/rules_disputes).
The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed. This changes RRS 63.1.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Appendix A applies except where changed in 15.3 below.
- 15.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 RRS A2.1 Series Scores is changed to read as follows:
 - 15.3.1 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 15.3.2 When four to seven races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 15.3.3 When eight or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst two scores.
- 15.4 Rule A5.3 applies.

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1 (DP) Support person vessels will not be allowed.

17 CHARTERED OR LOAN BOATS

- 17.1 A chartered or loan boat may carry national letters or sail numbers in contravention of her class rules and G3, provided the RC has approved her sail identification before the first race.

18 (NP) BERTHING

- 18.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned place on Haldon Pier, Torquay Harbour.
- 18.2 Trailer parking for competing boats will also be available free of charge on Haldon Pier subject to availability. Additional parking space if required will be made available at a secure location nearby.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1 The personal information you provide to the organising authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organising authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your National Authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 21.2 RTYC Privacy Policy <https://rtyc.org/privacy>.

22 RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1 Rule 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."
- 22.2 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, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, 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, 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 specific risks 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 safety briefing held for the event.

23 INSURANCE

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

24 PRIZES

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first 4 boats in both the European and National Championships.
- 24.2 The OA and Class Association may award further prizes at their discretion.
- 24.3 The event prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the completion of racing on Sunday 16th June in the Corinthian Room, Royal Torbay Yacht Club.

25 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

- 25.1 Competitors automatically grant to the OA, the UK and World International B14 Association, and their sponsors without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion or still pictures and live, taped, or filmed television of or relating to the event.

26 FURTHER INFORMATION

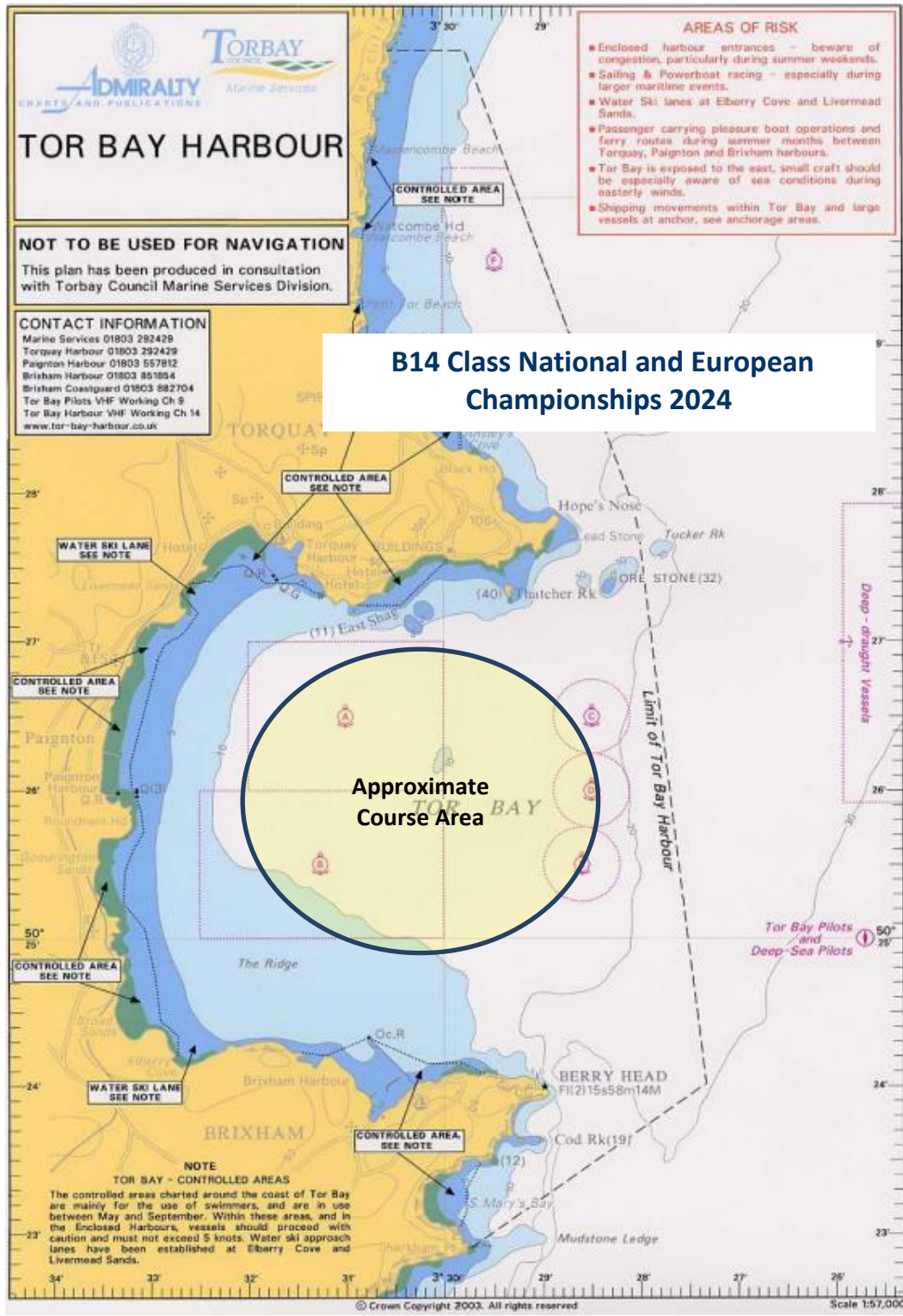
- 26.1 For further event and venue information see **Addendums 1 and 2** or contact Royal Torbay Yacht Club,
12 Beacon Terrace,
Torquay, TQ1 2BH.
Tel 44+ (0) 1803 292006
Email events@rtyc.org
Event website [B14 Nationals 2024](#)

ADDENDUM 1 EVENT AND VENUE INFORMATION



- **Dinghy and Trailer Parking** on Haldon Pier
[Tor Bay Harbour - Home \(tor-bay-harbour.co.uk\)](http://tor-bay-harbour.co.uk)
- **Public Car Parking** above Beacon Quay for information and passes visit
Beacon Quay - Torbay Council
- For **Accommodation and Camping** visit englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation
- **Royal Torbay Yacht Club** bar and restaurant will be open all day and evening throughout the event serving meals, bar snacks and refreshments. Detailed information including menus will be published on the event website. **Bar/Entry Card** – At registration you will all be given a club card to be used to gain access to the club, both the main and garden entrances. This card can also be used to purchase drinks at the bar where money can be added, minimum £10, there are no refunds.
- **Class Social Events** will take place in the Royal Torbay Yacht Club. On Wednesday 12th June there will be a Commodore's Reception, this is included in the entry fee. Details of further social events will be published on the event website together with menus and booking links. Additional tickets for family and friends will be available.

ADDENDUM 2



[Tor Bay Harbour - Home \(tor-bay-harbour.co.uk\)](http://tor-bay-harbour.co.uk)