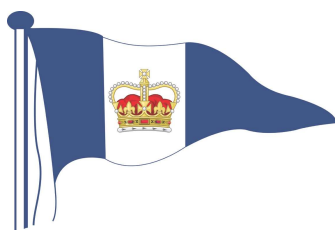




British Finn National Championships

Friday 9th to Sunday 11th July 2021



Royal Torbay Yacht Club

12 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, TQ1 2BH

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Torbay Yacht Club (RTYC)
In conjunction with the British Finn Association (BFA)

This Notice of Race (NoR) covers the British Finn Association Championships 2021 and will be conducted in accordance with HM Government Advice and RYA Guidelines relating to the COVID-19 pandemic that may be applicable at the time. Current RYA guidance can be found at www.rya.org.uk/programmes/Pages/return-to-boating.aspx.

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 rya.org.uk/racing/charter.



- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing, to the extent that they apply. Available at <https://www.sailing.org/documents/equipmentrules/index.php>
- 1.4 The BFA Class Rules shall apply, except where changed by this NoR.
- 1.5 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times whilst afloat. This changes RRS 40.1
- 1.6 Outside Assistance - Assistance in getting back aboard the boat is added as RRS 41(e) to the assistance permitted under RRS 41. This changes RRS 41.
- 1.7 (DP) Torbay Harbour Bye-Laws.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)

- 2.1 Sailing instructions will be published on the event website and on the Official Notice board on the ground floor at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club by noon on Wednesday 7th July 2021.
- 2.2 Any Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSI's) and Changes to SI's will be published on the event website and displayed the Official Notice Board.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The location of the Official Notice Board will be described in the SI's.
- 3.2 (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.
- 3.3 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 whose helms are members of their National Finn Class Association. The British Championship shall only be open to members of the British Finn Association
- 4.2 Eligible boats shall enter by following the links at the BFA website (www.finnuk.org.uk) or the RTYC website ([Finn Nationals – Royal Torbay Yacht Club \(rtyc.org\)](http://Finn Nationals – Royal Torbay Yacht Club (rtyc.org)))
 - 4.2.1 Association Members should navigate to: "MEMBERSHIP & SUBSCRIPTIONS" at www.finnuk.org.uk, then Click 'Access BFA Membership Services' button, Login and proceed to the Upcoming BFA events list to the Finn Nationals 2021 to enter
 - 4.2.2 Non-members should download and complete the entry form returning it to membershipsec@finnuk.org.uk
- 4.3 The Association 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 requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 The numbers of entries are limited to 75 boats.



- 4.6 Entries will be accepted up to midnight on 1st July after which late entry fees will apply.
- 4.7 Entries will not be accepted after midnight on Thursday 8th July.
- 4.8 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, including berthing shall be for BFA members who paid their subscriptions before 1st May 2021 shall be £40, if paid before 01 July 2021
- 5.2 Entry fees for BFA members not qualifying under 5.1 above and members of other national associations is £90, if paid before 01 July 2021.
- 5.3 Late entry fee of £110 applies to all payments received after midnight on 01 July 2021.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply

7 ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- 7.1 Boats shall be required to display bow numbers allocated to them and supplied by the OA. They are to be affixed on both sides of the hull, forward of the mast.
- 7.2 (DP) Boats shall be required to display the Ronstan hull logo on either side of the bow with the forward edge no less than 300mm from the stem of the boat and the Ronstan boom logos on aft end of either side of the boom as supplied and instructed by the OA.
- 7.3 (DP) Advertising will comply with World Sailing Regulation 20.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 There is no registration. Boats shall check-in upon arrival at Haldon Pier.
- 9.2 Measurement will take place on Haldon Pier, Torquay from 17.00 - 20.0 on Thursday 8th July and from 08.30 – 10.00 on Friday 9th July.
- 9.3 There will be a competitors' briefing on Haldon Pier at 10.00 on Friday 9th July.
- 9.4 Dates and Number of Races:

Date	No of Races	Scheduled time of first Warning Signal
Friday 9 th July	Up to 4 races	11.55
Saturday 10 th July	Up to 4 races	10.55
Sunday 11 th July	Up to 4 races	10.25

- 9.5 Eight races will be sailed over three days with up to four races on any day.



9.6 On Sunday 11th July there will be no warning signal after 15.00.

10 (DP) EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.5 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate in the name of the owner and shall produce it if requested to do so by the OA.
- 10.6 Any changes to sail numbers shall be requested in writing and approved by the RC. Sails with the same number as another entry, and not being registered to the registered boat owner shall not be accepted.
- 10.7 A maximum of 2 sails and 2 masts shall be used during the event.
- 10.8 Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 at all times during the event.
- 10.9 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with Class Rules, NoR and SI's.
- 10.10 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

Does not apply.

12 VENUE

- 12.5 Racing will take place in Torbay.

13 THE COURSES

- 13.5 Courses to be sailed will be Windward/Leeward or Triangle/Windward/Leeward and described fully in the SI's.
- 13.6 The marks will be laid marks 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 Appendix P applies. P2.3 does not apply and P2.2 applies to second and all subsequent penalties, this changes RRS P2.2 and P2.3.
- 14.3 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](http://rya.org.uk/go/rules%20disputes)). 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 RSS 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 five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.



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

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 BERTHING

18.1 Dinghy parking will be provided 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 Prize giving will be held as soon as possible after the completion of racing on Sunday 11th July 2021 in the Corinthian Room, Royal Torbay Yacht Club.
- 24.2 Prizes will be awarded as per Appendix B, at the discretion of the OA.
- 24.3 Age category awards will be taken from ages on Friday 9th July.

25 RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

- 25.1 Competitors automatically grant to the OA 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 **Appendices A and B** or contact
Royal Torbay Yacht Club,
12 Beacon Terrace,
Torquay, TQ1 2BH.
Tel 44+ (0) 1803 292006
Email events@rtyc.org
Event website <https://rtyc.org/event/finnnationals2021/>



APPENDIX A

OTHER EVENT AND VENUE INFORMATION

1. **Torbay Harbour** Information visit [Tor Bay Harbour - Home \(tor-bay-harbour.co.uk\)](http://tor-bay-harbour.co.uk)
2. **Car Parking** information and passes visit torbay.gov.uk/roads/parking/car-parks/beacon-quay-cp/
3. For **Accommodation and Camping** visit englishriviera.co.uk/accommodation
4. The RTYC bar and restaurant will be open all day and evening throughout the event serving meals, bar snacks, refreshments, and packed lunches to order. Detailed information including menus will be published on the event website.
5. **Bar/Entry Card** - At check-in you will all be given a club card which should be used to access the club through both the main and garden entrances. This card can also be used to purchase drinks and will entitle you to 10% discount on normal prices. Money can be added at the bar, minimum £10, there are no refunds. The use of this card forms part of our "Track and Trace" process, should it be needed.
6. **Club facilities - COVID 19** measures may be place throughout club and some areas restricted in use or in numbers, hand sanitisers are widely available. Please respect and follow these procedures.
7. **Class Social Events** will take place on Saturday 10 July after the AGM in the Royal Torbay Yacht Club and details will be published on the event website.
8. **Event Website** <https://rtyc.org/event/finnnationals2021/>
9. **British Finn Association** <https://finnuk.org.uk/>

TORQUAY HARBOUR



- RTYC Crane is located on South Pier
- Trailer parking on Haldon Pier
- Berthing on pontoons on Haldon Pier
- Public Car Parking above Beacon Quay
- Royal Torbay Yacht Club opposite Car Park



APPENDIX B

PRIZES

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- First place of the overall results - Gold Cup.
- First Grand Master (Aged 50 – 59)
- First Grand Grand Master (Aged 60 – 69)
- First Legend (Aged over 70 years) – Till/Torrence Trophy
- Other trophies and prizes may be awarded for other categories.
- Other prizes may be awarded for individual races.
- Age category awards will be taken from ages on Friday 9th July.

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