



Dinghy Spring Sunday Series

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NOTICE OF RACE

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1. Races

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-28 (RRS)*. See para: *Introduction revision on page 6 of the RRS*.

1.2 The Sailing Instructions may make permitted changes to any rules.

1.3 The Race Committee may stop a boat launching, or require it to return ashore, if they consider that the boat, its equipment and/or helm are not adequate for the likely conditions.

1.4 Any additional rules that apply

2. Advertising

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1 Entries shall be made on the official entry form available from the Club office or downloaded from the Club website.

3.2 All boats should hold adequate insurance and in particular hold insurance against third party claims in the recommended sum of at least \$1.0 million.

3.3 The event is open to the following boats:

Class	Racing Format	Min No of Entries Per Class
Optimist	Senior 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 Junior: 2014, 2015 Under 9: 2016 & after	3
Green	Slow Handicap (PY 951 & above)	3
Gold	Laser Radial, Laser Standard, Laser Rooster 8.1	3
Red	Fast Handicap & Cats (PY 950 & below)	3
Weta	Weta Fleet Racing	3



3.4 When the number of boats entered in a Class is below the minimum, boats may be re-assigned to a handicap fleet.

3.5 Other conditions of entry.

3.5.1 This event is open to all types of dinghies. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to refuse any entry based on the type of boat not being suitable for the event.

3.5.2 If a boat does not have an allocated PY handicap number, the Race Committee shall assign one.

3.5.3 The event is open to invited boats only.

4. Racing Schedule

4.1 The event is scheduled and divided into series as follows:

Dinghy Sunday Series 5 (Spring Series 1)	5-Jan-25	Briefing	1200
		First Warning Signal	1400
Dinghy Sunday Series 6 (Spring Series 2)	26-Jan-25	Briefing	1200
		First Warning Signal	1400
Dinghy Sunday Series 7 (Spring Series 3)	23-Feb-25	Briefing	1200
		First Warning Signal	1400
Dinghy Sunday Series 8 (Spring Series 4)	16-Mar-25	Briefing	1200
		First Warning Signal	1400
Dinghy Sunday Series 9 (Spring Series 5)	13-Apr-25	Briefing	1200
		First Warning Signal	1400

Extra races may be sailed to maintain the original total number of scheduled races in the series.

4.2 All races count towards the Dinghy Sunday Series.

4.3 There will be 1 discard for every 4 races sailed.

4.4 The Race Committee can request measurements or inspection at any time.

4.5 Average points may be granted for boats representing the club at National level events or above. Competitors must notify The Race Committee prior to that particular race day.

5. Sailing Instructions

5.1 The Sailing Instructions for each event will normally be available at the Club and on the Club website one week before the first race of the event.

6. Venue and Course Area

6.1 The venue will be the Dubai Offshore Sailing Club (DOSC).

6.2 The racecourse areas will be within 1 mile of DOSC.

6.3 There may be an option for longer distance/coastal courses for the Red fleet.

7. Courses



7.1 Courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

8. Penalty System

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will specify any changes to RRS 44 and if RRS Appendix P applies.

8.2 For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS Parts 1 and 2, the Protest Committee may decide the penalty may be less than DSQ.

9. Scoring

9.1 The minimum number of races to constitute the Sunday Dinghy Series is 3 races.

9.2 All races count towards the Dinghy Sunday Series.

10. Prizes

10.1 Prizes will be specified in the event Sailing Instructions.

10.2 There will be a series prizegiving after the last race of the series.

11. Risk Statement

Rule 4 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 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 organizer 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 familiarize 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 safety briefing held for the event.
- (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience, and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.



12. Inspections

- 12.1 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

13. Support Boats

- 13.1 Support boats may be subject to restrictions that will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

14. Rights to use name and likeness

- 14.1 I, my crew and our support persons understand that the Organizing Authority (OA) will hold and use our personal data for the purpose of the event and the application of the rules. Further information can be found at [Club Data Policy](#)

- 14.2 DOSC and/or participating in DOSC-affiliated activities, whether on or off the official DOSC premises, I hereby grant DOSC, on behalf of myself, my family, including my child(ren), and/or my guests the irrevocable right and permission to photograph and/or record me, my family, my child(ren) and/or my guests and to use the photograph(s) and/or recording(s) for any purpose as determined by DOSC at its sole discretion. I waive any right to inspect or approve the use of the photograph(s) and/or recording(s), as well as any rights that I may have regarding the photograph(s) and/or recording(s) that may arise now, in the past or in the future. I acknowledge and agree that the rights granted in this release are without compensation.

15. Amendments to the Notice of Race

- 15.1 This Notice of Race may be changed by a notice posted on the official notice board (and duplicated on the Club website).

16. Further Information

- 17.1 All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.