



Special Olympics Great Britain 2017 National Summer Games Sailing Regatta - Notice of Race

1. Date of Regatta

- 1.1. Wednesday 9, Thursday 10 and Friday 11 August 2017

2. Location of Regatta

- 2.1. Pugneys Watersports Centre, Asdale Road, Denbigh Dale, Wakefield, South Yorkshire, WF2 7EQ

3. Rules of Competition

- 3.1. The 2016 version of the Special Olympics Sailing Sports Rules shall govern this regatta. As an international sports program, Special Olympics has created these rules based upon the [Racing Rules of Sailing](#) from the International Sailing Federation (ISAF).
- 3.2. ISAF rules shall be employed except when they are in conflict with the 2016 version of the [Special Olympics Sailing Sports Rules](#) or [Article I of the Sport Rules](#). In such cases, the 2016 version of the [Special Olympics Sailing Sports Rules](#) shall apply.

4. Eligibility, Entry and Fees

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all persons who are registered as Athletes or Unified Partners with Special Olympics GB and who have been selected by their delegation to compete at these Games. (Athletes must therefore meet the [Special Olympics GB Eligibility Criteria](#)).
- 4.2. Athletes and Unified Partners must be registered as part of an approved delegation attending the 2017 National Summer Games.
- 4.3. All delegations must have paid the relevant entry fee for all members of their delegation.

5. Equipment

- 5.1. The sailing class will be Wayfarer. All boats will be centreboard rigged.
- 5.2. Sailing will be for Level 1 athletes/unified partners only.
- 5.3. All dinghies will be supplied by Pugneys Watersports Centre and will be of the same sailing specification.
- 5.4. All boats will be clearly marked for identification purposes
 - 5.4.1. Wind indicators, including yarn or thread may be tied or taped anywhere
 - 5.4.2. Hulls, centreboards and rudders may be cleaned but only with water



- 5.4.3. Adhesive tape may be used anywhere on the boat above the waterline
- 5.4.4. All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted provided the class rules are observed
- 5.4.5. All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be retained in the boat while afloat
- 5.5. Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however minor, to the Competition Manager immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the Competition Manager is satisfied that the competitor or their representative made a reasonable effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.
- 5.6. At the discretion of the Competition Manager/Race Official, the penalty for not complying with the instructions as laid out in Section 5 may be disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.

6. Clothing

- 6.1. All competitors can supply their own sailing clothing including approved buoyancy aids.
- 6.2. Equipment of a suitable standard will be available to use from Pugneys Watersport Centre if required.

7. Berthing

- 7.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are at Pugneys Watersports Centre.

8. Radio Communication

- 8.1. Except in an emergency, a racing boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

9. Levels

- 9.1. All boats will be Level 1: A two person crew, where one member will be an individual with an intellectual disability (Athlete) and one member will not have an intellectual disability (unified Partner).
- 9.1.1. The Special Olympics Athlete has responsibility for headsail trim while racing.

10. Divisioning

- 10.1. Classification races will be held on a round robin basis on Day 1 of the regatta.
- 10.2. Boats will be drawn for Classification Race 1 and then the schedule of boats will be followed in the timetable until all classification races are complete.
- 10.3. The results of the classification races will be published after racing on Day 1 and these will determine two racing groups. These groups will race on Day 2 and 3



of the regatta. Each division will have no fewer than three boats and no more than eight.

11. Schedule

Wednesday 9 August

Activity	Notes	Times
Practice		10.00am-11.15am
Allocation of Race boats (draw)		11.30am-11.45am
Classification	Race 1	12.00pm-12.20pm
Classification	Race 2	12.40pm-1.00pm
Classification	Race 3	2.20pm-2.40pm
Classification	Race 4	3.00pm-3.20pm
Classification	Race 5	3.40pm-4.00pm
Classification	Race 6	4.20pm-4.40pm
Divisioning by Competition Manager		4.40pm-5.00pm

Thursday 10 August

Activity	Notes	Times
Competition	Race 1 (Group 1)	10.00am-11.00am
Competition	Race 1 (Group 2)	11.30am-12.30pm
Competition	Race 2 (Group 1)	2.00pm-3.00pm
Competition	Race 2 (Group 2)	3.30pm-4.30pm

Friday 11 August

Activity	Notes	Times
Competition	Race 3 (Group 1)	10.00am-11.00am
Competition	Race 3 (Group 2)	11.30am-12.30pm
Competition	Race 4 (Group 1)	1.30pm-2.15pm
Competition	Race 4 (Group 2)	2.30pm-3.15pm



12. Sailing Instructions

- 12.1. The 2016 version of the [Special Olympics Sailing Sports Rules](#) will act as the sailing instructions for this regatta.

13. The Course

- 13.1. Race courses will be selected from course 1 or 2 from the standard course configurations as noted in the 2016 version of the [Special Olympics Sailing Sports Rules](#).
- 13.2. The courses to be sailed will be Windward, Leeward or Triangular.
- 13.3. All marks shall be left to port.
- 13.4. The distance from the windward turning mark to the leeward turning mark will be no greater than 2,000 meters.
- 13.5. The Competition Manager or Race Official may suspend racing in wind speeds or impending weather conditions that are deemed to be unsafe.
- 13.6. All races will run over three circuits of the chosen course or, if conditions are not favourable, last no longer than 20 minutes in duration.

14. Penalty System

- 14.1. Rule 44.1 in the [Racing Rules of Sailing](#) is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15. Scoring

- 15.1. Scoring shall be in accordance with Appendix A of the [Racing Rules of Sailing](#), Low Point System, except Rule A2 the exclusion of the boat's worst score. Scores from the race or races used to determine divisioning will be included in the series score, based on the boat's finishing position within their division.
- 15.2. If, for any reason, the unified partner becomes physically involved with the sailing of the Boat or the crew does not follow the rule for the level of the competition, the team shall retire from the race and will be scored points for "did not finish" (DNF).

16. Safety

- 16.1. Competitors with any health or medical issues that could impact on their typical sailing performance must provide information about these conditions to their delegation coach and the Sailing Competition Manager.
- 16.2. All crew members must be able to swim a minimum of 10 metres while wearing a Personal Floatation Device. The delegations Head Coach must provide a statement to confirm this prior to the Games.



- 16.3.** The Competition Manager, Race Officials and facility staff will consider safety first in making all decisions in conducting the regatta and running races.
- 16.4.** A safety and rescue officer shall coordinate all safety, rescue and emergency response operations.
- 16.5.** The Race Official and safety boat personnel should be trained in operating powerboats and in man overboard drills.
- 16.6.** Pugneys Watersports Centre will supply motorised support boats, with safety officers aboard, to provide assistance when needed. The ratio shall be at least 1 dedicated safety and rescue boat for every 8 racing boats. Rescue boats shall accompany all racing boats from the time they depart harbour until their return after racing.
- 16.7.** Every support boat will be equipped with a first aid kit and appropriate rescue equipment. Sailboats should consider similar recommendations in accordance with the class rules.
- 16.8.** Every competitor shall wear a Personal Flotation Device certified by a national authority at all times while afloat and on the dock and staging areas except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment for safety or for comfort.
- 16.9.** Athletes shall be identified with one colour of bib or life jacket and unified partners by a different colour of bib or life jacket.
- 16.10.** Coaches may go to the assistance of their competitors if they consider that the safety of the sailor is at risk. Once assistance is provided, the competitor should retire immediately from the race and notify the Race Official.

17. Support Boats

- 17.1.** Support boats shall be supplied and manned by Pugneys Watersports Centre.

18. Venue

18.1. Photos of the regatta venue





18.2. Location of the regatta venue



19. Insurance

19.1. The event is covered by third party liability insurance, through Special Olympics GB.

20. For Further Information Please Contact

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21. Documents

Racing Rules of Sailing:

<http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/WorldSailingRRS20172020-%5B20946%5D.pdf>

International Sailing Federation: <http://www.sailing.org/>

Special Olympics Sailing Sports Rules:

<http://media.specialolympics.org/resources/sports-essentials/sport-rules/Sailing-Sports-Rules.pdf>

Article I of the Sport Rules: <http://media.specialolympics.org/resources/sports-essentials/general/Sports-Rules-Article-1.pdf>

Special Olympics GB Eligibility Criteria:

http://www.specialolympicsgb.org.uk/sites/default/files/sites/default/files/Eligibility%20Criteria_0.pdf