**NOTICE of RACE**

**Team Racing at MSC 2025**

1. **INTRODUCTION**
	1. The event is for two-boat teams and will be sailed in Firefly-type dinghies supplied by the Organising Authority. Each boat shall be sailed by two people.
	2. The event is intended to be held on the first Saturday of each quarterly series at MSC. The event will replace fleet racing on that day.
	3. Each event is stand alone.
	4. The first event in 2025 will be 4 January 2025.
	5. The second event will be 5 April 2025.
2. **ORGANISING AUTHORITY & HOST CLUB**
	1. The Organising Authority is the Midland Sailing Club.
	2. The host club and venue is Midland Sailing Club.
3. **RULES**
	1. The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules and the RYA Prescriptions.
	2. The Bylaws of Edgbaston Reservoir and the Rules of MSC shall apply to all competitors and support persons. These include that all persons shall wear PFDs when on the reservoir.
	3. RRS 40.1 (wearing a PFD) shall apply at all times when afloat. Competitors shall also wear either a drysuit, or a wet suit of a minimum of long john design with thermal insulating material and properties up to the shoulders, at all times when afloat.
	4. Races will be umpired.
	5. The Sailing Instructions will be posted on Club Notice Board. They will be based on UKTRA Standard Team Racing Sailing Instructions (available at www.teamracing.org) which change some rules in the RRS.
	6. In accordance with RRS 70.3(b) (2025) the right of appeal will be denied.
4. **COMMUNICATION**
	1. The Official Noticeboard will be in the main club room,
5. **EVENT SCHEDULE AND FORMAT**
	1. On Saturday 4 January, registration will be one hour before the first scheduled start. There will be a competitor briefing at 12:30, and the first warning signal will be not before 13:00.
	2. The event format will be described on the day. The intended course is the ‘S’ course.
6. **ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY**
	1. Entry is open to all club members and their guests.
7. **ENTRY FEES**
	1. There is no entry fee.
8. **DAMAGE AGREEMENT**
	1. Boats are supplied and maintained by MSC.
	2. Sailing is a non contact sport.
9. **PRIZES**
	1. Any prizes are at the discretion of the OA.
10. **RISK STATEMENT**
	1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone."
	2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
11. they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accepts responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their crew to such inherent risk while taking part in the event;
12. they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew and any property may bring whether afloat or ashore;
13. they accept responsibility for any injury damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
14. 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;
15. the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
16. it is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention, any rules and information produced for the venue or event, and to attend any safety briefing held for this event;
17. it is their responsibility to ensure that they are familiar with the type of boat used , and the supplied equipment and are suitably experienced with its operation;
18. it is their responsibility for ensuring all supplied equipment is carried on board;
19. that they are fit to sail and that they believe the crew and the boat and crew is capable of competing in the anticipated conditions.
20. **DATA PROTECTION**
	1. The personal information you provide to the Organising Authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. lf 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. lf 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.