

# NYC 150<sup>th</sup> Regatta

## Sailing Instructions

### 1 Rules

1.1 All racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of Irish Sailing and the rules of each class concerned unless changed by these sailing instructions. Changes will be notified in the instruction that changes a rule.

1.2 Where appropriate, class rules are changed by these sailing instructions to allow the use of VHF radio and GPS.

1.3 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

### 2 Notices to competitors

Notices to competitors may be posted on a notice board in each of the waterfront clubs and Dun Laoghaire Marina. They will be displayed on [www.nyc.ie](http://www.nyc.ie)

### 3 Changes to sailing instructions

3.1 Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted on [www.nyc.ie](http://www.nyc.ie) by 09.00 hrs. on the day it will take effect. Except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 21.00 hrs. on the day before it will take effect. The waterfront clubs and Dun Laoghaire Marina will be asked to display Flag L

3.2 Changes may also be announced before racing on the relevant VHF channel. Failure to receive such a transmission shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

3.3 Changes shown on [www.nyc.ie](http://www.nyc.ie) shall be the official text until a further change is signalled.

### 4 Signals made ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the 4 waterfront clubs and Dun Laoghaire Marina.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced with not less than 60 Minutes.

4.3 When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, the signal applies only to that class or Fleet.

### 5 Schedule of races

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> September								
Course Card A McLir Blue Flag Fixed Marks			Course Card B Freebird Red & Green Flags W / L			Course Card C Harbour Course Dinghies		
Class	Warning	Scheduled Races	Class	Warning	Scheduled Races	Class	Warning	Scheduled Races
Cruiser 0	11:25	2	SB20	11:25	3	PY, IDRA Fireball	11:25	3
Cruiser 1	11:30	2	Mx Sportboats/Dragons	11:30	3	Laser Std.&4.7	11:28	3
Beneteau 3	11:35	2	Flying Fifteens	11:35	3	Laser Radial	11:32	3
Cruiser 2	11:40	2	Ruffian 23	11:40	2			
Cruiser 3	11:45	2	Beneteau 21	11:45	2			
Cruiser 5	11:50	2	Glens/Mermaids/ Squibs	11:50	2			
Shipmans	11:55	2				Waterwags	*See note	

\* Water Wags race on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.

## 6 Course Identification Flags

6.1 Fixed Mark Course Committee vessel will display a red pennant

6.2 W/L Course Committee vessel will display a green pennant

6.3 Dinghy Course Committee vessel will display the signal flag D

6.4 J80 and SB20 Course Committee vessel will display RIYC Burgee

## 7 The Courses

### Fixed Mark Course

#### 7.1

i) The course may be sailed around fixed marks as shown on the chart “DBSC Racing Marks 2020” The approximate positions are given in the “Yacht Racing Marks – Bearings 2020”.

ii) The race committee may lay extra inflatable marks in addition to the fixed marks. If these marks are laid they will be announced on the appropriate VHF channel

#### 7.2

i) Fixed mark classes may use Course Card 1 “Mac Lir Blue Fleet Starts Tuesday, Thursday and Combined Blue and Red Fleets Saturday” – publish date 29.07.20. There may be variations on these courses. Any variation of a course will be called out on VHF

ii) Alternately the course may be made up of a mixture of temporary laid marks and/or Dublin Bay Fixed marks. This course will only be announced by VHF on the appropriate channel

7.3 When using Course Card 1 all Marks to be Rounded or passed in the order as shown on Course card.

7.4 When using Course Card 1 Marks in Red to be rounded to Port and Marks in Green to be rounded to Starboard.

7.5 When using Course Card 1 A Letter A-R and a numeral to indicate the course to be sailed as per the appropriate course card will be displayed at least 3 minutes before that starting signal for the class. (Amends RRS 27.1).

### **W/L Course**

7.6 Courses will be as per course diagram in DBSC Course Card 3.

7.7 Olympic courses will be signaled by the display of the letter O on the committee vessel, Windward-Leeward courses by the display of the letter W.

7.8 Olympic Courses. DBSC Course card 3 shows the order in which marks are to be passed, the side on which they are to be left and the number of rounds.

7.9 Windward leeward courses. DBSC Course card 3 shows the order in which marks are to be passed, the side on which they are to be left and the number of rounds.

7.10 Course Boards for each class will be displayed for three minutes before their start and one minute after. This amends RRS 27.1

7.11 Windward Leeward - A leeward gate may be laid when the race committee deems it prudent to facilitate an exceptional number of participants.

### **Dinghy Course**

7.12 Courses will be as per the course diagram in DBSC Course Card 4. Each class may have a different course.

7.13 Triangular courses will be signaled by the display of the letter T on the Committee vessel, Windward-Leeward courses by the display of the letter W or X. in the case of Windward Leeward W signifies that the finish will be to windward and X signifies that the finish is to Leeward – See Diagram on DBSC Course Card 4.

7.14 Triangular Courses. DBSC Course Card 4 shows the order in which marks are to be passed, the side on which they are to be left and the number of rounds.

7.15 Windward Leeward courses. DBSC Course Card 4 shows the order in which marks are to be passed, the side on which they are to be left and the number of rounds.

7.16 For some Starts separate course numerals may be displayed after the Course Letter to denote the course to be sailed. In this case the following will apply:

7.16 i) Starts for PY, Squib, Mermaid, IDRA and Fireball. The first numeral is the course that the Fireball class should sail. The second numeral is the course the PY, Squib, Mermaid, IDRA classes should sail.

7.16 ii) Laser Standard and Laser 4.7 starts. The first numeral is the course that the Laser Standards should sail. The second numeral is the course the Laser 4.7s should sail.

7.16 iii) Should only one numeral be displayed all classes shall sail the same course.

7.17 Course Boards for each class will be displayed for approximately two minutes before their start and one minute after.

7.18 Windward Leeward – A Windward offset mark may be laid when the Race Committee deems it prudent to facilitate an exceptional number of participants. If such is laid boats must sail to this mark and round it to port before commencing the downwind leg.

### **Course cards and Chart available on [www.dbsc.ie](http://www.dbsc.ie)**

## **8 Marks**

### **Fixed Marks**

8.1 Each fixed mark, except the limit marks, will bear its appropriate letter as per DBSC “Racing Marks” chart. Note, due to manufacturing processes for new marks, the mark colours shown on the chart “DBSC Racing Marks” may not be the actual colour of the Mark

8.2 Any mark may be replaced without further notice by a temporary inflatable buoy. These buoys are pillar shaped and marked either T1 or T2 surmounted by an Orange flag. These buoys will be laid in the approximate position of the mark they are replacing.

### **Keelboat W/L and Dinghy Course Marks**

8.3 Laid marks 1, 2, 3 may be orange inflatable marks. An offset mark may be a dan buoy. Start and finish outer limit marks may be of any type.

## **9 Racing areas**

9.1 Keelboat racing will be held in Dublin Bay. Normally, but not limited to, in the normal positions of the current DBSC fixed Mark Course and the DBSC Green Fleet Course

9.2 Dinghy Racing will take place either in the Harbour or in the vicinity of Seapoint depending on conditions and entry numbers

## **10 The start**

### **Keelboat Starts Fixed Mark and W/L Courses**

10.1 The starting line will be between the red and white staff or the main mast of the committee vessel displaying the club burgee and the appropriate fleet pennant (Red or Green) at the starboard end of the line and the port end starting mark or a rib displaying an orange flag.

10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A3 and A5.

10.4 In addition to RRS29.1 the Race Committee may if possible, no less than one minute after the start, broadcast individual OCS boats by sail number by VHF. Failure to do so or the order of the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. (amends RRS 62.1(a)).

10.5 The Race Committee may, no later than three minutes before the start of any class, adjust the starting line by moving either end. (Amends RRS 27.1).

### **Dinghy Course Starts**

10.6 All boats shall come to the Race Committee boat before their warning signal and obtain acknowledgement that their sail number has been recorded

10.7 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal.

10.8 The start will be downwind of the Leeward mark as per course diagrams.

10.9 The starting line will be between the red and white staff or the main mast of the Committee vessel displaying the club burgee and displaying a flag showing the letter D at the starboard end of the line and the port end starting mark or a rib displaying an orange flag.

10.10 A boat not yet racing shall keep clear of and not impede, interfere with or hinder in anyway the start of other classes.

10.11 A boat crossing the line later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A3 and A5.

10.12 General Recalls. When the recalled class is not the last class in the sequence, the start signal of the recalled class will be postponed until all other classes in the sequence have been started. The First Substitute shall be lowered at the preparatory signal of the succeeding class in the normal sequence. The warning signal for the recalled class will be made with or after the starting signal of the last scheduled start in the sequence. This changes RRS 29.2.

## **11 Changes of the next leg of the course**

11.1 Minor changes or adjustments will not be signaled.

11.2 Should a mark position be changed, other than a minor change, the change will be signaled in accordance with RRS 34. The new mark may be a different shape or colour. If a different shape or colour is used and a subsequent change takes place the original mark will be used.

## **12 Shortening the Course**

12.1 If a Race Committee Vessel is positioned at a mark and displaying Flag V and a class Flag with sound signals, boats in that class should proceed directly to the finish and cross the line from the direction of the last mark. If the entire fleet is to be shortened the appropriate fleet pennant will replace all class flags. This changes RRS 32.2

12.2 Courses may be shortened by a Race Committee Vessel taking up position beside any mark of the course, displaying Flag S and class flags if appropriate. Two sound signals will be made on approach of the leading boats. If the entire fleet is to be shortened the appropriate fleet pennant will replace all class flags. This is in addition to RSS 32.2

## **13. The Finish**

13.1 The finish line will be between the red and white staff or the main mast of the Committee vessel displaying the club burgee, a flag displaying the letter D and a finishing mark.

13.2 Boats retiring or not intending to race in the next race or races, shall endeavour to inform the Race Committee.

13.3 The Race Committee may choose to offer boats, racing in a one design class, a finish place where there is significant distance between boats already finished and those still racing. The Race Committee may display Flag W and offer a finishing position to the boat still racing in last place. The finishing position offered to a boat shall be the number of boats ahead of it, both finished and still racing, plus 1. A boat is not obliged to accept such an offer unless it is the last boat racing and the Race Committee is not obliged to make such an offer. A boat which accepts the place offered will immediately cease to race and the Race Committee may repeat this offer to the new last placed boat. This offer made be made via Support boat personnel or a Race Committee RIB. This changes the definition of Finish and RRS 35 and A4.

## **14. Time Limits**

### **Fixed Mark Course**

14.1 i) The time limit for the first boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 2.5 hours.

ii) Boats failing to finish within 25 minutes after the second boat of her class sails the course and finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. (Changes RRS 35 and A5)

### **W/L Course**

14.2 A time limit of 15 minutes after the second finisher in each class shall apply

### **Dinghy Course**

14.3 i) The time limit for the first boat of a class to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.

ii) Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat of her class sails the course and finishes shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. In the case of PY Class each type of boat will be considered a separate class for the purpose of this SI. (Changes RRS 35 and A5).

## **15 Disclaimer of Liability**

15.1 It shall be the sole responsibility of each boat's skipper to decide whether or not to start or continue to race: and each owner/helm shall sail or race his/her boat entirely at his/her own risk; and that the organising authority and its committee, race officers and organisers shall not be liable in the event of any accident or mishap. All Yachts shall be adequately covered by 3<sup>rd</sup> party liability insurance.

15.2 The Committee reserves the right to accept or reject a boat/skipper entry on grounds of safety or other such grounds as it deems appropriate.

## **16 Prohibited areas.**

16.1 Boats, whose warning signal has not been made, shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

16.2 A boat shall not enter the "No Go" area as denoted on DBSC Racing marks bounded by the following:

Poolbeg Lighthouse, Navigation Marks 6.4, Dublin Bay Buoy, Navigation Marks 1,3,5 and North Bull lighthouse.

16.3 A boat shall not pass between Dalkey Island and the mainland nor between the shore and the special yellow buoys marking the Dun Laoghaire Rathdown coastal swimming areas.

16.4 Where a boat infringes any of the rules contained in SI16 she may be disqualified. The penalty shall be notified in the race results.

## **17 Commercial shipping**

All boats will give way and keep clear of commercial shipping. A boat reported by a harbour master for interference with commercial shipping in Dublin Bay will be disqualified from that days racing. Such a disqualification will be notified to the boat in the race results.

## **18 Protests, Requests for Redress & Arbitration**

18.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and request for redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

18.2 The protest time limit of a class is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of that class that day.

18.3 Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 20 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings and arbitration meetings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The time and place of arbitration meetings will be posted on the official notice board. All other hearings will be held in (name place) on (insert date) at (insert time).

18.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b)

18.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

18.6 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply, ***thus all potential hearings will be heard initially by an arbitrator.***

If a party is not present at an arbitration meeting, any party that was present may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time until the protest committee has completed taking evidence. This changes RRS T1 (a).

18.7 Arbitration meetings and all other hearings may be conducted, wholly or in part, by synchronous electronic communication (for example using Zoom).

18.8 SB20 and J80 protests will be heard on the day. Other protests may be scheduled at a future date if time does not permit a hearing on the day.

## **19 Scoring**

19.1 RRS Appendix A will apply with the following changes:

19.2 A race shall be scored only if two or more boats come to the starting area. This changes RRS 90.3(a).

19.3 If less than 3 races are completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

19.4 When more than 3 races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

19.5 Boats will be handicapped using one or more of following:

ECHO Progressive

- The current DBSC TCF will be used for DBSC Registered Boats
- For non DBSC boats ECHO TCFs will be assigned by the Race Committee

IRC

One Design

Portsmouth Yardstick (PY)

Sports Boat Class Handicap

Boats shall comply with all stipulations and/or conditions to any valid current certificate used in handicap

19.6 A boat competing under any handicap system shall be in possession of a valid current handicap for that system.

19.7 Boats in cruiser classes will be divided as follows on the basis of their ISA Standard ECHO reference handicap or IRC handicap (subject to the Committee's right to allocate a boat to any class).

Cruisers 0 Boats at 1.035 and above

Cruisers 1 Boats at 0.980 to 1.034

Cruisers 2 Boats at 0.920 to 0.979 and Boats from 0.910 to 0.919 with an overall length exceeding 9mts

Cruisers 3 Boats at 0.800 and below to 0.919



19.8 IRC rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There will be no limits on crew number or weight.

19.9 For the purposes of RRS 49.2 lifelines complying with OSR 3.14(i) shall be deemed to be taut.

19.10 Endorsed certificates are required for cruisers 0,1 & 2.

## **20 Class Insignia and Sail Numbers**

20.1 All boats shall comply with RRS 77 save as provided below:

20.2 Where there is a conflict between National Authority or class rules and RRS 77, boats shall comply with their National Authority or class.

### **20.3 Changing Sail Numbers**

a) Should a boat (other than a dinghy) wish to change her sail number or use a sail with a number other than that notified in her entry form (or any amendment thereto) she shall notify the race office by emailing "sailing@nyc.ie" at least 12 hours before the changed sail number is used. The new sail number will continue to be used until a further similar notification is given to the race office.

b) In the case of boats competing on the dinghy course, permission to sail under any other sail number must be obtained from the RO before the warning signal for that days racing.

20.4 A boat in a cruiser class shall conspicuously display the numeral pennant of her class on her backstay, or if no back stay is fitted, on both port and starboard shrouds.

## **21 Notification of disqualification**

The publication of disqualification in the race results will be deemed written notification of disqualification.