



Dun Laoghaire Match Racing Cup

Sept 30th and 1st Oct 2023

Notice of Race

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race

PC: Protest Committee

NoR: Notice of Race

OA: Organising Authority

NYC: National Yacht Club

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

SI: Sailing Instruction

RC: Race Committee

1. Organising Authority and Venue

1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is the National Yacht Club

1.2 The venue will be the National Yacht Club, Dun Laoghaire

2. Rules and Eligibility

2.1 This event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, including RRS Appendix C.

2.2. The bye-laws of the National Yacht Club shall apply.

2.3. RRS 40.1 (personal flotation devices) applies at all times whilst afloat.

2.4. If there is a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence unless specifically stated otherwise This alters RRS 63.7

2.5 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the OA. Clubs or teams from outside the wider Dun Laoghaire may apply for an entry and be placed on a waiting list. The waiting list entries will be called upon in the order of registration providing the event has not reached capacity by the registration closing date.

2.6 The rules for the handling of boats and the equipment list, detailed as part of the Sailing Instructions will apply.

2.7 Class rules will not apply

2.8 For the duration of the event all competitors and volunteers shall be granted temporary membership of the National Yacht Club

3. Entries

3.1 A maximum of 10 skippers will be confirmed by the OA to compete in the event.

3.2 Only teams confirmed by the OA will be eligible to enter the event

3.3 Skippers shall submit a Request for Invitation at this link no later than 2359 on Friday Sept 22nd, 2023.

3.4 **Invitations will be issued no later than 1200 Monday Sept 25th, 2023.**

3.5. Each team shall be composed by 3 or 4 persons and have combined weight that does not exceed 270 kg dressed in at least shorts and shirts.

3.6 Following the declaration of crew prior to the event, a crew member may not be added, removed or substituted without prior written approval from the OA.

3.7 Decisions of the OA about entry or eligibility shall not be cause for redress this amends rules 62.1 and 63.1.

4. Entry Cost

4.1. Teams shall pre-authorise a damage deposit of €300, by means of a credit card, to the National Yacht Club.

4.2. Should any damage occur, any apportioned damages shall be deducted from the damage deposit prior to its return.

4.3 An entry fee of €180 shall be paid directly to The National Yacht Club by means of credit card prior to the event.

4.4 A payment link will accompany the invitation to the event to pay the damage deposit and entry fee.

4.5 For the invitation to be accepted, and the entry deemed valid, the entry fee and damage deposit must be paid by the deadline outlined in the invitation

4.6 If the invitation is not accepted by the deadline, the OA may withdraw the invitation.

5. Sailing Instructions

5.1 Sailing Instructions will be available on the National Yacht Club website and circulated to competitors prior to the event.

6. Provisional Schedule

6.1 The race office will be open from 0800-0830 on Saturday Sept 30th to facilitate weigh in and registration.

6.2 A briefing to all competitors will take place at 0830 on Saturday Sept 30th 2023, in the National Yacht Club.

6.3 The latest time for a warning signal to sound shall be 1500 on Sunday 2nd April

7. Schedule of Races

7.1. Races shall be as per the schedule in the Sailing Instructions. *It is intended to run a full round Robin on Saturday (45 races), a repechage round Robin (6 races) on Sunday morning for teams ranked from 7 to 10 and a knock out phase quarter, semi, final on Sunday afternoon (from 14 to 21 races).*

8. Racing area

8.1 The Races will be sailed in the waters of Dun Laoghaire Harbour

9. Event Format

9.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

9.2 The event format will consist of Round Robin(s), repechage Series and Finals racing. The exact format will be specified in the sailing instructions

9.3 Should wind, weather or other conditions make it unlikely to complete the scheduled number of races within the time schedule, the event format may be terminated, shortened or altered in order to declare a champion.

10. Scoring

10.1 The scoring system of RRS Appendix C - 10 will apply

11. Equipment

11.1 The event will be sailed in NYCs Elliott 6m, provided by the NYC

11.2. Spinnaker use is at the discretion of the race committee. This will be fully outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

12. Code of Conduct

12.1. Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, and shall behave so as to not bring the event into disrepute.

12.2. Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment provided by the organising authority with care, seamanship, and in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

13. Media, Images and Sound

13.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organising authority the unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish for any purpose and in any media, the names, photographs, and video footage taken of the boat and its crew prior to, during, and after the race without compensation.

14. Disclaimer

14.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The OA will not be held responsible for the damage of any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor. By participating in this regatta, each competitor agrees to release the race organisers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.