



29er & 49er Easterns 2024

National Yacht Club Dun Laoghaire



27-28 April, 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. The notation [DP] means any penalty is at the discretion of the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

- 1.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in ***The Racing Rules of Sailing***.
- 1.2. The prescriptions of Irish Sailing and the rules of 29er Class Association shall apply.
- 1.3. The organizing authority shall be the National Yacht Club.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available at Registration.

3. Communication

- 3.1 The official notice board location will be under the balcony at NYC. A secondary notice board may be set up online.
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1. A minimum entry of 10 boats in the 29er fleet by Friday April 19th is required to hold the event. A 49er (full and FX) start will be accommodated if a minimum of 5 boats have confirmed entry by April 19th.
- 4.2. The 29er Easterns is open to all current (fully paid up) members of the Irish 29er Class Association, or members of an equivalent 29er National Class Association, or members of the International 29er Class Association.
- 4.3. 29er competitors may apply for a temporary one off event membership of the Irish 29er Class Association at the event upon payment of €10 per crew member to the Irish 29er Class Association.
- 4.4. All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of the host club for the duration of the event.
- 4.5. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form on www.nyc.ie and paying the required fee.
- 4.6. Competitors under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian declarations before racing (download forms from the event website).

5. Fees

- 5.1. The entry fee for the event is **€80** per boat and must be paid online at www.nyc.ie. A surcharge of **€20** will apply for entries completed after Friday April 19th, 2024.
- 5.2. In the event the Easterns is cancelled due to a lack of entry, the entry fee minus a **€5** administration fee will be reimbursed.
- 5.3. Membership fee for the IRL 29er Association is **€25** may be paid on <https://billing.bowlinerisk.com/channels/29er-association>.

6. Schedule

Day/Date	Time	
Sat 27/04/2024	10.30	Competitors Briefing
	11.55	First gun for 4 races back to back
Sun 28/04/2024	10.25	First gun for 4 races back to back
	15.00	No warning signal may be made after this time
	ASAP After Last race	Prize Giving

Races are scheduled (up to 5 per day) with succeeding races being started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

- 6.1. Two races must be completed to create a valid regatta.
- 6.2. Up to 8 races are scheduled

7. Measurement

- 7.1. A boat or equipment may be measured at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

8. The Venue

- 8.1. The racing area will be described at the briefing and in the sailing instructions or may be available on the host club and/or IRL 29er website prior to the event.

9. The Courses

- 9.1. The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.2. The courses shall be windward/leeward, with a wing mark with a target time of 30 minutes.

10. Scoring

- 10.1. One discard will be applied to the boats overall score for every multiple of 4 races sailed i.e. 1 discard if 4-7 races sailed, 2 discards if 8 races are sailed. This changes RSA2.1
- 10.2. The boats overall score will be the total of all races in the event minus any discards.
- 10.3. The 29er Easterns will be sailed as one fleet.

11. Support Person Vessels

- 11.1 [DP] Support person vessels shall register with the race office and shall always when afloat, display a flag provided by the Organising Authority.
- 11.2 [DP] All support vessel crew shall wear personal floatation devices (PFD) whilst afloat. When the engine is running, the support vessel helm shall use a kill cord at all times.

12 Berthing

- 12.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

13 Prizes

- 13.1 Individual prizes will be awarded to the crew and helm of 1st, 2nd and 3rd boat. Age categories, all female and mixed prizes may be awarded.

14 Personal Safety

- 14.1 Mandatory – 29er competitors shall carry at all times a SOLAS approved whistle.
- 14.2 Rule 40.1 applies [i.e. the requirement to wear a PDF]

15 Risk Statement

- 15.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone”.
- 15.2 Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 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;
 - They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - 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.
 - The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - 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.

16 Insurance

- 16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Euros per incident or the equivalent.

17 Media Rights

17.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event. This may include the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) operated under CAA guidelines

18 Further Information

18.1 For further information contact Thomas Chaix at headcoach@nyc.ie