

The National Yacht Club Junior Regatta 2024

Wednesday 10th July



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 ALTERATIONS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS OR SCHEDULE

Any alterations to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0930hrs on the day.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the National Yacht Club yardarm.

3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in race signal AP.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 MAIN FLEET

Racing is scheduled as follows: **1st Warning Signal 11.15 hours**

Class	Start Signal
Optimist	11.20
Feva, Topper	11.25
Lasers, PYs	11.30

Second and third race to follow as soon as possible.

4.2 HARBOUR FLEET

Racing is scheduled as follows: **1st Warning Signal 10.45 hours**

Class	Start Signal
Optimist	10.50
PYs	10.55

Second and third race to follow as soon as possible.

5 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

Class	Flag
Lasers, PYs	F
Feva, Topper	J
Optimist	O

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6 RACING AREA

Weather permitting, racing for the Main Fleet will take place in Seapoint Bay or Scotsman's Bay area of Dublin Bay and in the Harbour for the Harbour Fleet. In certain conditions racing for the Main fleet may take place within the harbour.

7 THE COURSES

The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Main Fleet Marks 1,2,3,4 will be large inflatable marks
- 8.2 Harbour Fleet Marks 1,2,3 will be small inflatable marks
- 8.3 The starting and finishing mark may be a striped cylindrical mark, a dan-buoy or a RIB with an orange pole.

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using rule 26. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class.
- 9.2 The starting line shall be between the main mast of the Committee Boat and a Starting Mark.
- 9.3 An Inner Limit Buoy may be moored approximately on the Starting Line and if so, no boat shall pass between the Inner Limit Buoy and the Committee Boat after her Warning Signal.
- 9.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 9.5 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.

10 CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 10.2 Boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

11 SHORTENING THE COURSE

The Race Committee may decide to shorten the course at any mark of the course. Where a course is being shortened, the committee boat or a rib will display a "S" flag, and the competitors will pass between the finishing boat and the mark.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 The Finishing Line shall be between the main mast of a Finishing Boat and the Finishing Mark. Competitors may be asked to "Finish" wherever they are on the race course and will be given a place.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken rule 42.

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14 TIME LIMITS

Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat with in her class sails the course and finishes will be finished and scored as per their position on the water at that time.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the NYC. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there not later than 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the evening.
- 15.2 A competitor who is protesting shall advise the committee boat as soon as she/he is finished racing.
- 15.3 An arbitration hearing will be conducted for all protests lodged. Such hearings will be held outside the NYC Race Office at a time decided by the arbitrator and such advice may be given verbally. One representative of each boat will attend the arbitration hearing and no witnesses will be allowed. The arbitrator will decide the manner in which testimony is given and the applicable outcome and potential penalty.

16 SCORING

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

Lasers (4.7s & Radials) will be scored together under the Portsmouth Yardstick Handicap system (PY)

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee boat or a rescue boat as soon as possible. No competitor shall sail back to their club unaccompanied after retiring.

18 PERSONAL BUOYANCY

Personal buoyancy shall be worn at all times when afloat. This amends rule 40.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3 million per event.

21 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th boats in the Optimist Classes in both Harbour and Main Fleet.

For all other classes, when a minimum of three boats races in a class a 1st prize will be awarded. When a minimum of five boats races in a class, a 2nd prize will be awarded. When a minimum of seven boats races in a class a 3rd prize will be awarded.

22 DISCLAIMER

Competitors are reminded that personal effects, gear, trailers and other equipment are their own responsibility and, the Race Committee, nor The National Yacht Club can be held liable for any claim, loss or damage.

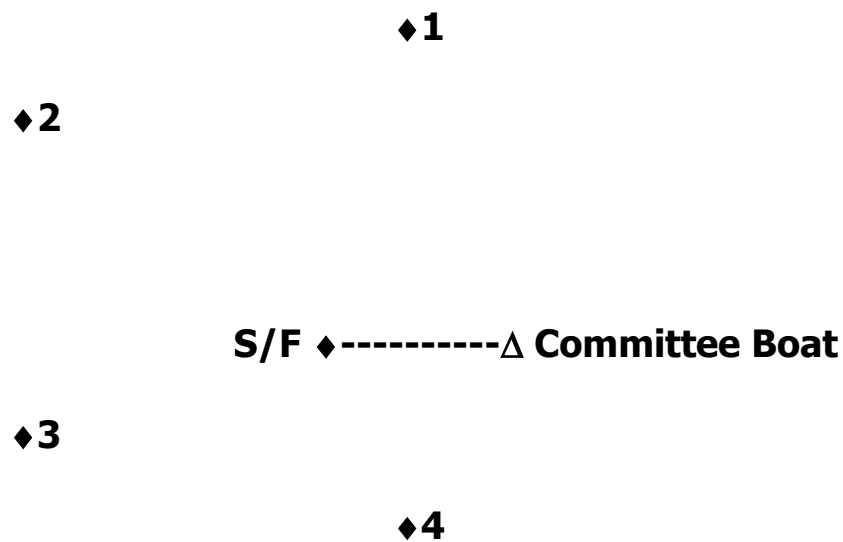
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Attachment A The Main Fleet Course

Trapezoid Course



S/F =Start/Finish Line Mark

- All marks shall be rounded to port
- Number of rounds shall be indicated on the Committee Boat

1 Round	Start – 1-2-3-4 to finish
2 Rounds	Start – 1-2-3-4-1-2-3-4 to finish
3 Rounds	Start - 1-2-3 4-1-2-3-4-1-2-3-4 to finish

Boats not finishing should avoid crossing the finish line while racing.

Attachment B The Harbour Fleet Course

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Triangular Course

◆1

◆2

S/F ◆-----△ Committee Boat

◆3

S/F = Start/Finish Line Mark

- All marks shall be rounded to port
- Number of rounds shall be indicated on the Committee Boat

1 Round	Start – 1-2-3 to finish
2 Rounds	Start – 1-2-3-1-2-3 to finish
3 Rounds	Start - 1-2-3-1-2-3-1-2-3 to finish

Boats not finishing should avoid crossing the finish line while racing