



THE NATIONAL YACHT CLUB REGATTA 2026

Incorporating the Women at the Helm Regatta 2026 (WATH Regatta)
Saturday 13th June

Organising Authority (OA): National Yacht Club

Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

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

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions are common to all four Dun Laoghaire Waterfront Club Regattas in 2026 and will be available on their respective websites.

3. COMMUNICATION

The Official Notice Board is located online [here](#).

4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY, SCHEDULE & COURSES

4.1 Boats in the following classes shall be eligible to enter, and the schedule of racing shall be as indicated below:

Course Area A "Round the Cans" Courses using Fixed Marks		Course Area B Windward/Leeward Course		Course Area C* Windward/Leeward or Triangle Course	
Up to 2 Races Back-to-Back		Up to 2 Races Back-to-Back		Up to 3 Races Back-to-Back	
Class	Start Signal	Class	Start Signal	Class	Start Signal
Cruiser 0	12:00	SB20	12:00	Melges 15	11:30
Cruiser 1	12:05	Sportboats/Dragons	12:03	Fireball	11:33
Cruiser 2	12:10	Flying Fifteen	12:06	ILCA 7	11:36
Beneteau 31.7	12:15	Ruffian 23/Shipman	12:09	ILCA 6	11:39
Cruiser 3	12:20	Beneteau 21	12:12	RS Aero (PY)	11:42
Cruiser 4a/4b/5a/5b	12:25	DB21/Glen/Mermaid	12:15	PY Dinghies**	11:45
				Water Wag	**see note

*Course Card C Dinghies – Start times and Classes are subject to change.

**PY Dinghies include 2-handed and single-handed (Finns, IDRAs etc)

*** The Water Wags race on Wednesday 10th June 2026 will be their NYC Regatta race. Prizes will be awarded for 1st place in each Water Wag division in the NYC Clubhouse after racing on Wednesday 10th June - Entry fee is €15.00.

4.2 Boats may enter the event by registering online [here](#).

4.3 The declaration on the form must be completed by the boat owner or his/her authorized representative and, if the owner is under 18 years of age, by his/her parent or guardian.

4.4 Normal entries close at 17:00 on Wednesday 10th June. Late entries will be accepted until 17:00 on Friday 12th at an extra €20 late entry fee.

4.5 [Entry](#) in the 2-day Women at the Helm (WATH) Regatta includes entry in the NYC Regatta.

5. FEES

Cruiser Class 0, 1, 2, 3, 4a/4b and Cruiser 5a/5b - €75 (prizes awarded under progressive ECHO and IRC/VPRS as appropriate).

Beneteau 31.7 - €75 (One Design and progressive ECHO).

Sportboats (VPRS), SB20, Dragon, Ruffian, Glen, Shipman, DB21, Beneteau 21 - €65.

Fireballs, Melges 15, Flying Fifteen, Mermaid, PY 2-handed dinghy - €45.

ILCA 7, ILCA 6, RS Aero, PY Single-handed dinghy - €35.

Water Wag - €15.

6. HANDICAPS and DIVISION of CLASSES.

6.1 Cruiser Fleets will be divided as below according to their Irish Sailing ECHO Base handicap or IRC rating, subject to the Committee's right to allocate a boat to any class:

Class TCF Range

Cruiser Class 0: 1.035 and above

Cruiser Class 1: 0.980 to 1.034

Cruiser Class 2: 0.920 to 0.979 but 0.908 to 0.979 if LOA exceeds 9 m

Cruiser Class 3: 0.800 to 0.919 but 0.907 or below if LOA exceeds 9 m

Cruiser Class 4a/5a: 0.959 and over

Cruiser Class 4b/5b: 0.958 and under

Cruiser Class 4 = Non-Spinnaker

Cruiser Class 5 = Non-Spinnaker, White Sails, Mandatory Furler

6.2 [DP] A boat in one of the Cruiser classes shall display the numeral pennant corresponding to her class conspicuously on her backstay, or, if no backstay is fitted, on both port and starboard shrouds.

6.3 IRC Rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight except as required for boats rated as one design which shall comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1.

7. ADVERTISING [DP]

Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority on their bow.

8. SCORING

8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute the Regatta.

8.2 A boat's regatta score shall be the total of her race scores (no discard applies).

8.3 Boats entered in Cruiser Classes will be scored on their IRC/VPRS and/or Progressive ECHO handicap applicable on the DBSC Thursday night preceding the Regatta.

8.4 Boats not competing regularly in Dublin Bay will be allocated an initial Progressive ECHO by the OA.

8.5 Indicative ORC results will be made available post Regatta (No prizes awarded).

8.6 NYC Regatta results for WATH entries will be scored in the WATH regatta – see WATH NOR.

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' The Organising Authority, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, Dublin Port Company, DBSC

and all their officers, members and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, or personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the event. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks.

10. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3m per incident or the equivalent.

11. PRIZES

Prizes shall be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall in all classes, subject respectively to a minimum of 2, 5 or 7 entries in a class. Prize giving will take place at approximately 18.00 at the National YC on the day of the regatta.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION/ASHORE

Skippers and crew and their guests, and Regatta volunteers shall be Temporary Members of the National Yacht Club for the duration of the Regatta and shall be bound by the Rules of the Clubs.

There will be a barbecue (outside, weather permitting), and entertainment after sailing.

For further information, please contact admin@nyc.ie, Tel 01 2807525 extn. 7.

See our full entertainment programme at www.nyc.ie/regatta