



Dragon East Coast Championships 2022

hosted by

ROYAL IRISH YACHT CLUB

Friday 27th to Sunday 29th May 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY This event will be organised by the Royal Irish Yacht Club in conjunction with the Irish Dragon Class Association.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing
- 1.3 The International Dragon Class Rules will apply with the following amendment:
 - 1.3.1. Rule 13.30 (crew eight limit) shall not apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions shall be available online from the RIYC website (www.riyc.ie) from Wednesday 26th May.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at www.riyc.ie/Sailing_News/Dragon_East_Coasts
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 71
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sis.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, 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 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Dragon Class.
- 4.2 All Owners and Helmsmen shall be paid up members of their National Dragon Association and their National Sailing Authority.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form available online at www.riyc.ie/Sailing_News/Dragon_East_Coasts
- 4.4 Late entries, after 2000 hrs on Thursday, May 25th 2022, will only be accepted subject to the discretion of the Organising Authority

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee shall be €250

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration:

Date	From	To
Thursday 26 th May	16:00	20:00
Friday 27 th May	08:00	10:00

7.2 A briefing will take place on Friday 27th of May at 10:30. Further details will be available in the Sailing Instructions

7.3 Number of races

Date	Races – Saturday 21 st May
Friday 27 th May	2
Saturday 28 th May	2
Sunday 29 th May	2

7.4 Times of racing

- The Warning Signal for the first race on Friday 27th May will be: 13:55
- The Warning Signal for the first race on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th May will be: 11:25.

7.5 No warning signal will be made after 14.00 on Sunday 29th May.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, NoR and SIs.

9. VENUE

9.1 The regatta will be sailed in the waters of Dublin Bay in the vicinity of Dun Laoghaire Harbour.

10. THE COURSES

10.1 The courses will be Windward-Leeward. The course details will be subject to confirmation in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTIES

11.1 For all class RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11.2 Appendix T and the Exoneration Penalty will apply to this regatta. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

12. SCORING

12.1 In accordance with RRS 90.3 the series shall be as provided in RRS Appendix A using the Low Point System.

12.2 A minimum of 3 races must be sailed to constitute a series.

12.3 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12.4 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

13. BERTHING

13.1 Berthing will be available for visiting boats.

13.2 Lift in/out will be available for visiting boats.

13.3 All competitors are required to berth at the Royal Irish Yacht Club for the duration of the Championship, commencing after racing on Friday, 26th May until after racing on Sunday 28th May 2022.

14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

14.1 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

15. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 15.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.
- 15.2 Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the event

16. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- 16.2 No responsibility shall be accepted by the Royal Irish Yacht Club, their directors, members, servants or agents nor any of the sponsors, nor those officials or members connected with the Event, for any loss, damage or any other claim of whatever nature however arising or caused in connection with the participation in or intended participation in this event.

17. INSURANCE

- 17.1 Each competing Owner(s) and competing crews shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring and shall maintain Third Party Insurance Cover of not less than One Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Euro (€1,250,000) for any accident. All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

18. PRIZES

- 18.1 Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Organising Authority as follows: First, Second and Third
- 18.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 19.1 For further information please contact

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