IRISH NATIONAL DRAGON CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

Thursday 15th – Sunday 18th June 2017

Proudly hosted by the Royal St. George Yacht Club



1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RULES

The organising authority (OA), by permission of the Irish Dragon Association, is **Royal St. George Yacht Club (RSGYC)**.

The event will be governed by rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association, the current International Dragon Class Rules, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising is as permitted under ISAF regulation 20.4. Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. SCORING

It is a helmsman's championship and is a ranking regatta for the purposes of the IDA International Ranking List and for Irish qualification for European & World Championships. Under RRS 90.3, scoring shall be the Low Points Scoring System.

A minimum of 4 races must be sailed to constitute a series. If five or more races are sailed there will be one discard applied, subject to provisions of RRS Appendix A2 - Scores not Excludable. Ties will be decided in accordance with Appendix A8.

4. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the helmsman and crew of the first five boats overall, and to the winner of each race, except that no helm and crew may win more than one race winner prize. Other prizes may be awarded at the committee's discretion.

5. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

- Entries on the official Entry Form with accompanying fee of €250 by 1900 hrs on Wednesday 14th June 2017.
- All Owners and Helmsmen shall be paid up members of their National Dragon Association and their National Sailing Authority.
- Entries should be delivered to: Irish Dragon National Championship 2017, C/o Sailing Office, Royal St. George Yacht Club, Dun Laoghaire, Co Dublin, Ireland. Or

As email attachment to sailing@rsgyc.ie

(Subject line: "Irish National Dragon Championship 2017 Entry – Boat Name" Or

Online at http://www.rsgyc.ie

Sailing Instructions shall be available at Registration and also online at <u>www.rsgyc.ie</u> Registration will take place in the Race Office at Royal St. George Yacht Club during the following hours:

- Wednesday 14th June 2017 1700 1900 hrs.
- Thursday 15th June 2017 0900 1000 hrs.

Entry Fee: €250 per yacht

Payment may be made by:

- Online at <u>www.rsgyc.ie</u>
- Irish bank account cheque (payable to 'Dublin Bay Dragon Fleet') or
- Via direct bank transfer to (**bank account details below**) (all bank charges to be paid by entrant)

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	Bank Name	Allied Irish Bank, 40/41 Westmoreland St.		
		Dublin 2 ,Ireland		
	Bank Code	93-33-84		
	Account Number	11890025		
	Account Name	Dublin Bay Dragon		
	IBAN	IE97 AIBK 9333 8411 8900 25		
	Swift address / BIC	AIBKIE2D		

Ensure that *reference* section of payment screen is completed with your name / boat name. Entry Fee includes participation, craneage, trailer parking, mooring and honorary membership of RSGYC for the duration of the event.

Skipper's briefing will be held at 1100 hrs, Thursday 15th June.

6. CREW WEIGHT

Class Rule 13.30 shall apply. "Except when excluded by the Sailing Instructions, the total weight of the crew shall not exceed 285 kg. The weight shall be taken with the crew wearing lightweight clothing. If a crew has been officially weighed immediately previous to the regatta, re-weighing during the regatta shall not take place unless there is a change of crew."

7. NUMBER OF CREW AND PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

Class Rule 13.10 will apply. "There shall not be more than four persons on board while racing. A boat shall compete with the same number of crew throughout an event." Class Rule 11.10.4 will also apply. "A Personal Flotation Device (PFD) with minimum buoyancy of 50 Newton shall be carried for each person on board. Each PFD shall be either of the compressed gas automatically inflatable type, or of the permanently buoyant type or a combination of both."

8. COURSES AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

The courses will be Windward-Leeward. Subject to confirmation in the Sailing Instructions, seven (7) races will be sailed in the waters of Dublin Bay from the 15th to 18th June 2017; two races on each of the first three days of the event followed by one race on the final day.

The Warning Signal for the first race each day will be as follows:

-	Thursday 15 th	1300 hrs	(2 races)
-	Friday 16th	1100 hrs	(2 races)
-	Saturday 17th	1100 hrs	(2 races)

- Sunday 18th 1100 hrs (1 race / Possibility of more if all races not sailed)

The race schedule may be modified by the PRO in the interest of completing as many of the planned races as possible.

No warning signal will be made after 1400hrs on Sunday 18th June.

9. PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART 2

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-turn penalty is replaced by a One-turn.

10. LAUNCHING / RECOVERY

Craning will be available in the Royal St. George Yacht Club on Wednesday 14th up to 19:00 and from 09:00 on Thursday 15th. Recovery from 1400 hrs in the order of finishing of final race, except that priority will be given to boats travelling.

11. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in RSGYC dock unless otherwise instructed.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee unless for serious and unavoidable circumstances

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Race information may be given on marine VHF (156-162MHz). The Channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions. It is the owner's/helmsman's responsibility to fulfill all legal requirements to carry and use marine VHF radio on board a yacht.

14. INSURANCE

Each competing Dragon Owner(s) and competing crews shall ensure that they are adequately insured with valid third party liability insurance of not less than €1,250,000 per incident. All owners/competitors who sign / write their name at the bottom of the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, "Decision to Race". No responsibility shall be accepted by the OA, their directors, officers, members, servants or agents nor any sponsor, 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 the Irish National Dragon Championship event.

16. RESPONSIBILITY

The safety of each Dragon yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Owner(s) or the Person in Charge whose obligation it is to ensure that the Dragon yacht is fully sound, seaworthy and is manned by an experienced crew with all the required safety gear. Neither this Notice of Race nor the Sailing Instructions nor any action by Royal ST. George Yacht Club, the Organising Committee or Race Committee in any way limits the responsibility of the Owner(s) or the Person In Charge. **Attention is drawn to RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rules, and to the current International Dragon Class Rule 11.**

Further information from Sailing Instructions or Dublin Bay Dragon Class Captain:

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Irish National Dragon Championship 2017

Royal St. George Yacht Club



15th - 18th June 2017

ENTRY FORM

To be returned with the entry fee of €250 by 1900hrs Wednesday 14th June 2017 Payment may be made by Irish cheque/direct bank transfer/online (see NOR for details):

NAME OF YACHT:	SAIL NO:	
CLUB:	_ YEAR OF MANUFACTURE:	
OWNER(S):		
HELMSMAN:		WEIGHT (kgs):
CREW 2:		WEIGHT (kgs):
CREW 3:		WEIGHT (kgs):
CREW 4:		WEIGHT (kgs):
HOME ADDRESS OF OWNER/HELMSMA		
TELEPHONE:		
E-MAIL:		
I agree to be bound by the current RI and the Sailing Instructions and any a	•	5

I agree to be bound by the current RRS, the current International Dragon Association rules, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto. I confirm that I will have Third Party Insurance in place for the duration of the regatta to a minimum value of $\leq 1,250,000$. I confirm that I am a paid up member of my national sailing authority and my National Dragon Association.

Championship Entry Fee Championship dinner (Saturday night) €40	€250 €		
I attach/online/made bank transfer payment of	€	(where applicable ref. no:)
NAME (as acceptance of above):			
DATE:			