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The Royal St George Yacht Club

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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.

The notation NP in a rule in this NOR means that breaches of these rules will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS60.1(a).

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY [OA]

- 1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Saint George Yacht Club (RStGYC) in conjunction with the Irish Cruiser Racing Association (ICRA)
- 1.2 The Event is the ICRA National Championships 2019

2 RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The Event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of Irish Sailing (IS), the IRC Rating Rule parts A-C, the IS ECHO Performance Handicap System and the General Rules of ICRA.
- 2.2 Safety: OSR Appendix B, Special Regulations for Inshore Racing will apply except for Division O and Division 1 (offshore), for which OSR Category 4 will apply. The OA reminds all persons in charge of their obligations in this regard. **DP NP**
OSR Appendix B 5.01.1 is changed by deleting a) requirement for a whistle on personal flotation device and b) requirement for boat's or crew's name on PFD.
- 2.3 All entrants shall be cruiser/racers, as defined in the ICRA constitution. **DP NP**

3 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

4 CLASSES and DIVISIONS

- 4.1 Entrants will be divided into divisions which will not be finalised until after the closing date of entries on 26 May, 2019.
- 4.2 The composition of divisions will be determined at the sole discretion of the OA on receipt of the entries, having regard to the following criteria:
 - 4.2.1 The need for a reasonable number of boats in each division;
 - 4.2.2 Having as close a spread as possible in the range of IRC ratings in each division.
 - 4.2.3 Extra divisions from those used in previous years, with different breakpoints, may be created.
- 4.3 Divisions will be allocated into fleets as follows:
 - Cruiser Division 0 and Division 1 (offshore): Fleet 0
 - Cruiser Divisions 1 and 2: Fleet 1
 - Cruiser Divisions 3 and 4: Fleet 2
 - Cruiser Division 5, Non-Spinnaker 1 and 2: Fleet 3There will be separate race areas for each fleet.



5 PROGRAMME OF RACES

- 5.1 The Skippers' Briefing will be held at 2100 on Thursday 6 June 2019 in the RStGYC.
5.2 Racing is scheduled to be held from Friday 7 June to Sunday 9 June 2019
- 5.3 Seven races are scheduled for Fleets 1,2 and 3, three races are scheduled for Fleet 0
- 5.4 The scheduled times of the first warning signals for each day's racing will be as follows:
- Friday 7 June: 1155 (Fleets 1,2 and 3) 2 Races 1125 (Fleet 0) 1 Race
 - Saturday 8 June: 1125 (Fleets 1,2 and 3) 3 Races 1055 (Fleet 0) 1 Race
 - Sunday 9 June: 1125 (Fleets 1,2 and 3) 2 Races 1055 (Fleet 0) 1 Race
- 5.5 One extra race per day may be sailed.
- 5.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, the first warning signal of a race will not be made after 1530.

6 SCORING

- 6.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a Championship for Fleets 1,2, and 3. For Fleet 0, two races are required to constitute a Championship.
- 6.2 For Fleets 1,2 and 3 when fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. For Fleet 0 a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

7 FEES

- 7.1 The closing date for Early Entry Fee is 15 March 2019. Closing date for entries is 26 May, 2019.
- 7.2 The Fees shall be as follows:

Before 15 March:

- Boats rating 0.895 and under: €165
- Boats rating between 0.896 and 0.985: €195
- Boats rating 0.986 and above: €225

After 15 March:

- All boats: €245

- 7.3 Entries are accepted for the full Championship only – boats may not enter for individual races.
- 7.4 Entries are to be made on-line at the [RStGYC website](#) or the [ICRA Nationals website](#).

8. PRIZES

Overall Prizes and trophies will be awarded under IRC and ECHO.

- 8.1 The Portcullis Trophy will be presented to the boat which in the opinion of the Regatta Committee performs to the highest standard under ECHO.
- 8.2 A Non Spinnaker Trophy will be presented to the boat which in the opinion of the Regatta Committee performs best in the Non Spinnaker divisions
- 8.3 The Michelle Dunne Prix D'elegance Trophy will be presented to the boat and crew which in the opinion of the Regatta Committee is the best turned-out at the regatta.
- 8.4 Final prize giving for the ICRA Nationals will take place on Sunday 9 June in the RStGYC

9 REGISTRATION AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 All entrants shall register with the Event Office in the RStGYC.
- 9.2 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and may be posted on the event website.
- 9.3 Registration will take place on the following days:
- Thursday 6 June: 1800 – 2200
 - Friday 7 June: 0800 – 1000

10 RACING AREA & COURSES

- 10.1. Races will be sailed in the waters of Dublin Bay and the Irish Sea



10.2. The courses to be sailed will be as follows:

- Fleet 0: Off-shore day races
- Fleets 1 and 2: A mixture of Round the Cans and Windward/Leeward races
- Fleet 3: Round the Cans races

10.3. Competitors are advised to ensure there is a working VHF radio on board each boat as the courses for the Round the Cans races may be announced on VHF.

11. ACCOMMODATION & SOCIAL

11.1. Information on local accommodation is available on the Event website.

11.2. Entertainment will be provided after racing each day.

11.3. Competitors are granted temporary membership of the RStGYC for the duration of the Event subject only to the Club rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

12. SAFETY & DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1. The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole responsibility of the person in charge [RRS 46] who must do their best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced crew who have undergone appropriate training and are fit to face the conditions encountered. The person in charge must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, sails, rigging and all gear. The person in charge must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and suitably stowed. The crew must be familiar with the use and position of such safety equipment. The person in charge accepts that the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is theirs and theirs alone. Neither these regulations nor any action of the OA in any way limits or reduces the exclusive responsibility of the owner or the person in charge.

12.2. The wearing of personal flotation devices is strongly recommended at all times

12.3. Competitors participate in the championship at their own risk – see Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race. ICRA, the RStGYC, their officers, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss of or damage to property sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

13. INSURANCE

It is a condition of entry for each boat owner to have their boat adequately insured against any risk, including civil liability to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of the event.

14. DATA PROTECTION AND IMAGE RIGHTS

14.1. At registration competitors will be required to give permission to the OA to collect and use data about the competitor for organising this Championship. The OA has adopted a Data Protection Policy for the Championship.

14.2. By entering the Championship competitors and support persons accept that the OA may arrange for images or videos to be taken at the event both on the water and on shore. Competitors and support persons will be required to give consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof. The images may only be used for the promotion of the event, of the organizing authority or of ICRA.

15. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

The Technical Committee may conduct equipment inspection or event measurement of any boat on the water or ashore at any time from 2 days prior to the event until the end of the final day of racing.

