



ROYAL ST GEORGE YACHT CLUB



**IRISH NATIONAL  
DRAGON CHAMPIONSHIP 2022  
Notice of Race**



**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**September 2022**

**Seven-race Series**

**First gun: Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 1300 hrs**

## **1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RULES**

- 1.1 The organising authority, by permission of the Irish Dragon Association, is the **Royal St George Yacht Club**. The event will be governed by rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association, the International Dragon Class Rules, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto.
- 1.2 It is a helmsman's championship and a ranking event for the purposes of Irish qualification for European & World Championships.

## **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available at [here](#): by 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

## **3. COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#):
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on marine channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will 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 All Owners and Helmsmen shall be paid up members of their National Dragon Association and their National Sailing Authority.
- 4.2 Boats may enter the event and pay the entry fee online [here](#): by 1800 hrs on Wednesday, August 31st 2022. Irish Dragon Association membership fees (5.2 below) are also payable online at the same link.

## **5. FEES**

- 5.1 Entry Fee including craning, boat parking/mooring and honorary membership of Royal St George Yacht Club for the duration of the event is €250 per boat.
- 5.2 Irish Dragon Association membership fees are: Dublin Bay Fleet member €130, Kinsale members €80 and Glandore members - Pay to Glandore Class captain.

## **6. CREW LIMITATION**

- 6.1 The following crew limitations apply:
- (a) 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. (Class rule 13.30)
  - (b) There shall not be more than four persons on board while racing. (Class Rule 13.10)
  - (c) A boat shall compete with the same number of crew throughout an event." (Class Rule 13.10)

## **7. ADVERTISING**

- 7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

## **8. SCHEDULE**

- 8.1** Registration and Crew Weighing – Wednesday August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1800-2100hrs, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 0900-1100hrs.
- 8.2** Skippers briefing will be held at 1100 hrs on Thursday September 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 8.3** Subject to confirmation in the Sailing Instructions, it is the intention to sail two races on each of the first 3 days and one race on the final day. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on each day will be as follows:
- Thursday 1st 1300 hrs (2 races back-to-back)
  - Friday 2nd 1200 hrs (2 races back-to-back)
  - Saturday 3rd 1200 hrs (2 races back-to-back)
  - Sunday 4th 1100 hrs (1 race)
- 8.4** While the intention is that no warning signal will be made after 1400 hrs on Sunday September 4th, the Race Committee reserves the right to run racing after that time to complete a minimum championship series of races (4).

## **9. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES**

- 9.1** A Personal Flotation Device (PFD) with minimum buoyancy of 50 Newtons 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. (Class Rule 11.10.4).

## **10. COURSES**

- 10.1** The courses will be Windward-Leeward on the waters of Dublin Bay.

## **11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 11.1** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty except when taking a penalty for infringing **Racing Rule 18 (Mark Room)**.

## **12. SCORING**

- 12.1** 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **13. BERTHING**

- 13.1** All competitors are required to berth at the Royal St George Yacht Club for the duration of the Championship, commencing after racing on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> September until Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

## **14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

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

## **15. LIABILITY**

- 15.1** Competitors participate in the Event entirely at their own risk. No responsibility shall be accepted by the Royal St George Yacht Club, its directors, members, servants, or agents nor any of the sponsors, nor those officials or members connected with the Event, nor Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and Dublin Port Company, 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.

## **16. RESPONSIBILITY**

**16.1** 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 or 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.**

## **17. INSURANCE**

**17.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of One Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Euro (€1,250,000) per incident or the equivalent. All owners/competitors who enter are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

## **18. PRIZES**

**18.1** 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.

## **19. FURTHER INFORMATION**

**19.1** For further information, please contact:

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### **SOCIAL PROGRAMME**

Details to be confirmed at a later date, but the social program details / information will be provided as soon as practical.