



NOTICE OF RACE

Viking Marine SB 20 East Coast Championships - 2023

Saturday, 20th + Sunday, 21st May 2023

ROYAL St. GEORGE YACHT CLUB

Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal St. George Yacht Club in association with the SB20 Ireland Class Association.

The notation (DP) in a rule in the 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 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 The following SB20 Class Rules will not apply:

- Class Rule C.5.1 (3)(floating throwing line attached to the stern)
- Class Rule C.5.2 (17) (horseshoe lifebuoy).
- Class Rule C.5.2 (18) (anchor and line).

1.3 Class Rule C.5.1(7) will not apply and is replaced with "Two paddles of combined minimum weight not less than 1kg." This weight requirement will be strictly policed. Added weight will not be treated as part of the paddle.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the event page website <https://www.rsgyc.ie/home/virtualraceoffice-sb20easterns/> no later than noon on Friday, May 19th, 2023

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF marine channels.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3 [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 & ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to registered boats of the SB20 class. One crew member on board must be a member of the class association.
- 4.2 Any changes of helm or crew after registration for the event must be applied for and agreed by the Race Committee in advance of the change being made.
- 4.3 Parent / Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews who are under 18 years of age must submit declarations signed by their parent or guardian.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter via the [Virtual Race Office](#)
- 4.5 Entries will be accepted until Friday, May 19th at 12 noon

Fees are as follows:	EARLY ENTRY FEE Up to 10th May	STANDARD ENTRY FEE On or after 10th May
Entry fee	€170.00	€195.00
Entirely crewed by under 30s	€125.00	€150.00

- 4.6 The entry fee includes launching and recovery, berthing, complimentary burger and a drink on Saturday after racing.
- 4.7 Entry is non- refundable after 10th May.

5 REGISTRATION

5.1 Registration will take place online via the [Virtual Race Office](#)

6 SCHEDULE

	Lift in / out	First Warning Signal	Number of Races
Friday, 19th May	Up to 2100		
Saturday, 20th May	From 0800	10 - 30	As many as possible -- last start of day no later than 14-30hrs.
Sunday, 21st May	After racing	11 - 00	As many as possible -- last start no later than 15- 00hrs.

- 6.1 Except for the first scheduled race which will not be brought forward, the race committee reserves the right to alter the schedule of races as they see fit to ensure as many as possible races of approx. 25 mins are completed.
- 6.2 3 Races constitute a Series.
- 6.3 There will be one discard after 4 races have been completed .
- 6.4 The Race Officer will post a Competitor Briefing on the Event Site by 1900hrs. on Friday 19th May
- 6.5 On the last day of the championship, no warning signal will be made after 1500hrs.

7 LAUNCHING, BERTHING AND LIFT OUT

- 7.1 Launching and berthing are included in the entry fee and will take place as set out in paragraph 6 above.
- 7.2 All boats competing required to be berthed overnight on the Royal St. George Club pontoons. Competitors are advised to bring adequate warps and fenders.
- 7.3 [DP] Boats shall remain in the water from the start of the warning signal of the first race until the finish of final race of the event unless, having requested to do so in writing, the request is granted by the race committee.
- 7.4 Lift out facilities for visiting boats will be provided immediately after racing.

8 [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION & ADVERTISING

- 8.1 Any changes to sail numbers shall be requested in writing and approved by the Race Committee.
- 8.2 Boats may be subject to scrutiny before or after any race at the discretion of the Class Measurer or his deputy. The Class Measurer may inspect any boat at any time, and competitors are requested to comply, as far as is reasonable and practical, with the Class Measurer's requests, which may include the weighing of boats (Drawn by Lottery). Failure to do so and / or Boats evidenced at the time of inspection not to comply with Class Rules, may be liable to protest by the Class Measurer and / or the Race Committee.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Racing will be on the waters of Dublin Bay. Racing may be some way from the Harbour on the Saturday in order to avoid DBSC Club racing, so allow adequate time to get to the race area .
- 9.2 The courses will be of the Windward / Leeward type with further exact details specified in the SIs.
- 9.3 The plan is to use the W Flag (Boats signalled will be awarded their position on the race course without finishing and can return to the starting area for the next race) for boats at the back end of the Fleet in order to ensure fast turnaround between races.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3 does not apply (This changes RRS 44).
- 10.2 The two-turn penalty is changed to a one turn penalty (This changes Rule 44.1).

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 11.2 There will be one discard after the completion of the 4th Race.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 The winner will receive the Perpetual Trophy and prizes will be awarded to the first 3 boats overall. There will, in addition be a prize for the first female and first under 30 helms.

The presentation of prizes will take place as soon as possible following racing on Sunday, 21st May.

13 LIABILITIES & RISK STATEMENTS

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk. (See RRS Rule 3, Decision to Race).
- 13.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
 - e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
 - f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any specific risks to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- 13.3 The Royal St. George Y.C, and SB20 Ireland, together with their officers, members and volunteers, will not accept liability for the loss of life or property, or personal injury, or damage caused by or arising out of the SB20 East Coast Championship event , including any pre-championship training at the championship site, and competitors take part in the championship entirely at their own risk.

14 INSURANCE

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

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information, contact the Royal St. George Yacht Club Sailing Office on 01 280 1811 or by [email](#)

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Social Programme

The plan is to use the Royal St George Y.C. Club Room on the ground floor for après sail activities.

The room is equipped with a bar and large T V (for the rugby final) and the first drink and a burger for each competitor on the Saturday afternoon will be complimentary.