

	<p><b>HOWTH YACHT CLUB</b></p> <p><b>International J24 Class Association of Ireland</b></p> <p><b>Eastern Championships</b></p> <p><b>In conjunction with</b></p> <p><b>Howth Yacht Club Sportsboat Cup 2014</b></p> <p><b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014</b></p>	
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## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Howth Yacht Club Ltd.

### **2. VENUE**

The venue will be the waters in the vicinity of Ireland's Eye, north of Howth, Co. Dublin.

### **3. RULES**

- 3.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") 2013 - 2016. In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 3.2 The Irish Sailing Association prescriptions will apply.
- 3.3 The rules of the International J24 Class shall apply.
- 3.4 Changes to the Notice of Race may be posted on [www.hyc.ie](http://www.hyc.ie)

### **4. ADVERTISING**

- 4.1 Advertising for the regatta shall follow RRS 80. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA
- 4.2 The OA may require competitors to display Event Sponsors advertising material, as prescribed under Appendix.1 and International J24 Class Rule 24.
- 4.3 The OA reserves the right to refuse entry to the event if there is, in its opinion, a conflict of interest between a competitor's sponsor and the event sponsor.
- 4.3 Any boat considering accepting or entering with sponsorship that might be affected by this rule is advised to contact the OA before entering.

### **5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 5.1 **General**  
All competitors shall comply with ISAF Eligibility Rules (ISAF Regulation 19).  
The Regatta is open to boats registered with the International J24 Class, whose helm or registered owners are members of a National J24 Class Association recognised by the International J24 Class Association.

- 5.2 Entry procedure  
Entries can be made online, via the Howth Yacht Club website ([www.hyc.ie](http://www.hyc.ie)) or by returning the entry form, with fee, which can be downloaded from the same website.
- 5.3 Entry fee  
A non-refundable fee of €100.00 shall be paid, in advance of racing.
- 5.4 Late entries  
Entries received after 6<sup>th</sup> June 2014 will be accepted only at the discretion of the Organising Committee and upon payment of an additional late entry fee of €30.00.
- 5.5 Entry Disclaimer  
It is the Competitor's decision to enter the Regatta or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their sole, exclusive risk, in every respect. By way of entry to the Regatta, competitors shall indemnify the International J24 Class Association, the International J24 Association of Ireland, Howth Yacht Club, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta. Competitors shall acknowledge that International J24 Class Association, the International J24 Association of Ireland, Howth Yacht Club, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.
- 5.6 Insurance  
All boats shall have third party insurance cover of not less than €2,000,000.00 (or the equivalent thereof in any other convertible currency) for any accident. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

## 6 REGISTRATION

Registration will take place in the Race Office in Howth Yacht Club. This is adjacent to the Marina Office.

Registration times:

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014: 1700 - 2000

## 7. RACE SCHEDULE

It is proposed to sail six races.

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

Proposed Schedule of Races:

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014:** Up to five races

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014:** Remaining races to complete series of six races.

No race will be started after 1500 Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonment of a race where the warning signal was made before 1500.

Regatta Briefing: 0900 Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

Warning Signal: 1200 Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

1200 Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014

Schedule of all subsequent races will be as directed in the Sailing Instructions.

## 8. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System Rule A4 will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score/s discarded according to the table below. Rule A4 is amended to accommodate rule A5 and will be used even when a series is a Regatta. A minimum of three races will constitute a series.

Discards applied based on races sailed  
1, 2 or 3 races sailed           no discard  
4 or more races sailed           1 discard

**9. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the event as designated by OA.  
Perpetual prizes remain the property of the International J24 Class Association of Ireland.

- Gold Fleet. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places overall
- Silver Fleet: 1<sup>st</sup> place overall

**10. BERTHING**

Berthing will be provided at Howth Yacht Club and included in the entry fee.  
No boats may be hauled out of the water from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014 until racing is completed on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014, without the prior permission of the OA.

**11. OTHER INFORMATION**

**11.1 MEMBERSHIP**

Competitors are granted temporary membership of Howth Yacht Club from Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014 to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014, subject only to the provisions of the Club Rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

**11.2 FACILITIES**

All competitors are invited to avail of the facilities of the Club during the event. An entertainment schedule will be displayed on the event website

Dining Room and Bar Food will be available during the event.

The attention of all participants is drawn to the car parking regulations in the vicinity of the Club. These regulations are rigidly enforced by the Harbour Authority.