



RS Feva National Championships

Friday, 29th June to Sunday, 1st July 2018



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NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

The RS Feva Irish National Championships will be organised by Howth Yacht Club CLG

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing will apply.
- 1.3 RRS Race Signals AP, 33, 35, 40, 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A4, A5 and T1(a) will be changed. The changes will appear, in full, either in this Notice of Race (NoR) or in the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.4 Rules of the Irish RS Feva Class Association will apply
- 1.5 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry is open to boats of the RS Feva Class
- 2.2 Helms shall be a member of the RS Feva Class Association.
- 2.3 Competitors – both helm and crew must be under 19 on 31st December 2018.
- 2.4 Competition for the title of Irish National Champion shall be limited to entrants who are (a) born on the island of Ireland or who are (b) members of a Club affiliated to Irish Sailing and are deemed by the Organising Authority to have participated regularly in the 12 month period preceding this regatta at Feva Class events endorsed by the Irish Feva Class Association.
- 2.5 Entry is online only via the Howth Yacht Club website <https://hyc.ie/open-events>
- 2.6 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA, subject to the payment of a late entry surcharge.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is €100. per boat for entries received prior to midnight on 24th June. Entries received after shall, if accepted, be subject to a surcharge of €20.00.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration: Thursday, 28th June 1830-2000 & Friday, 29th June from 0830-1000
- 4.2 Briefing – A briefing for competitors will be held at 1030 on Friday, 29th June.
- 4.3 Ten races are scheduled. The schedule of races planned is:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Friday, 29 th June	Race 1 to 3
Saturday, 30 th June	Races 4 to 7
Sunday, 1 st July	Races 8 to 10

The OA reserves the right to sail up to 5 races per day, subject to the above Schedule never being exceeded by more than two races. ICF R displayed on the Finishing Vessel during the finish of a race shall indicate that another race is to be started that day.

- 4.4 The scheduled time of the first Warning Signal on Friday, 29th June is 1155.
The scheduled time of the first Warning Signal on Saturday, 30th June and Sunday, 1st July is 1055.

- 4.5** A minimum of three races is required to constitute a championship.
- 4.6** A warning signal for a race shall not be made after 1500 on Sunday, July 1st, except where it is preceded by a General Recall or Postponement Signal for the last race.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1** The SI will be available at registration and online.

6 SAILING AREA

- 6.1** Races will be sailed in the waters North of Howth Harbour and the starting area could be up to 3 miles from the Harbour.

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1** The courses to be sailed will be Trapezoid and/or Windward Leeward, as signalled from the Committee Vessel for each race.

8 ARBITRATION

- 8.1** The Exoneration Penalty and the Arbitration Procedure in Appendix T will be available – see the Official Notice Board for details. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the Protest Committee but cannot be reopened or appealed. If a party is not present at an arbitration meeting, any party that was present may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time until the Protest Committee has completed taking evidence. This changes RRS T1 (a).

9 SCORING

- 9.1** When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. When between 4 and 7 races are sailed a boat may discard the worst score from her total and when eight or more races are sailed a boat may discard the two worst scores from her total. This changes RRS A2.

10 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 10.1** Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat. Wetsuits and drysuits are not considered to be an adequate personal flotation device.

11 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 11.1** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment or crew is not permitted unless with written authorisation from the race committee. Requests for substitution of equipment or crew shall be made, in writing, to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 12.1** A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class rules and SI
- 12.2** On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Technical Committee member to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1** Prizes will be given as follows: First, Second and Third places. Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA

14 RISK STATEMENT

- 14.1** Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone'.
Sailing by its nature is 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.
- 14.2** Acceptance of an entry shall be conditional on receipt of the consent of the parent / guardian of each competitor to the participation of the boat and its crew in the regatta and acknowledgement by the parent / guardian of the provisions of 14.1.

15 INSURANCE

- 15.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid and adequate third-party liability insurance for the duration of the event.

16 MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 16.1** By participating in this event a competitor, and their parent / guardian, automatically grants to the organisers and its sponsors the right in perpetuity without compensation to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor recorded during the period of the competition.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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