



**International J24 Class Association of Ireland**  
**National Championships**  
**4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020**



**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Howth Yacht Club CLG., in association with the International J24 Class Association of Ireland.

**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") 2017 - 2020.

3.2 The Irish Sailing 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)

3.5 In addition to complying with relevant regulations and Government advice, Skippers and crews will be required to comply with obligations and restrictions adopted by Howth Yacht Club with the intention of mitigating transmission risks associated with the Covid 19 pandemic.

These will include contact tracing requirements for those entering Howth Yacht Club. The specific requirements of HYC protocols will be included in the Sailing Instructions and will be posted on the Open Events section of the HYC website <https://hyc.ie/open-events>  
Howth Yacht Club's data protection policy can be found here <https://hyc.ie/data-protection-policy>.

3.6 Crews should not attend the event if they are showing any symptoms of Covid 19 or required to quarantine.

3.7 Sailing instructions will be available on <https://hyc.ie/open-events> before 1/9/2020.

**4. ADVERTISING**

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

**5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

5.1 General

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)).  
The Entry fee will be €150 payable in advance on line
- 5.3 Launching at Howth Yacht Club will be available from Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Please contact Howth Yacht Club Marina [marina@hyc.ie](mailto:marina@hyc.ie) or phone 353-1-8392777 to arrange a launching slot.
- 5.4 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.
- 5.5 Insurance  
All boats shall have adequate third party insurance 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 outside the Race Office in Howth Yacht Club. This is adjacent to the Marina Office.

Registration times will be posted in the Open Events section of the HYC website <https://hyc.ie/open-events>

## 7. RACE SCHEDULE

It is proposed to sail ten races.

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

Proposed Schedule of Races:

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September:** Up to four races

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September:** up to four races.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September:** Two or more races to complete the schedule of 10 races.

No race will be started after 1500 Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonment of a race where the warning signal was made before 1500.

Regatta Briefing: This briefing will be limited to ONE representative per boat and may be posted on line at an earlier date. In such a case each entered boat will be advised of the time and date.

Warning Signal:

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 1125

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September 1025

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 1025

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

## 8. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System Rule A4 will apply, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score/s discarded according to the table below.

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>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places overall
- Silver Fleet: 1<sup>st</sup> place overall
- The Irish National Champion Trophy is awarded to the first member of the Irish J24 Class Association.
- Irish Sailing medals may be awarded as agreed with J24 class association

**10. SOCIAL**

10.1 The extent of the social programme will be advised closer to the date of the Regatta and will depend on the Covid 19 regulations pertaining at that time.

10.2 A championship dinner may be held on the evening of Saturday 5th, in Howth Yacht Club. Tickets should be booked in advance as numbers may be restricted.

10.3 Competitors and their guests are awarded temporary membership of Howth Yacht Club for the duration of the Regatta and are bound by the Rules of the Club. Howth Yacht Club reserves the right to remove temporary membership