



SQUIB IRISH CHAMPIONSHIP

21, 22 & 23 August 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organising Authority

- 1.1. The Organising Authority (OA) for this event is Howth Yacht Club CLG, in association with the Irish Squib Forum (ISF)

2. Rules

- 2.1. The event will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the current National Squib Class Rules, except as any of the foregoing are altered by the Notice of Race (NoR) or Sailing Instructions (SI) and any other applicable rules.
- 2.2. The Prescriptions of Irish Sailing shall apply. See link below.
<https://www.sailing.ie/Portals/0/ISA-Prescriptions-to-Racing-Rules-2017-2020.pdf>
- 2.3. Under RRS 87, the rules of the National Squib Class are changed as follows:
- 2.4. Class Rule C10.2. On days when more than one race is scheduled, a second spinnaker may be carried on board. The second spinnaker shall be used only if the first is lost or damaged beyond repair. A damaged spinnaker shall not be replaced during a race.
- 2.5. RRS Appendix G3, as changed by NOR 10.2, will apply.
- 2.6. 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 measures and other requirements for those entering Howth YC and other measures. The specific requirements of HYC will be posted on the Open Events section of the HYC website <https://hyc.ie/open-events>
- 2.7. Competitors, support personnel or families should not attend the event if they are displaying any symptoms of COVID-19 or should be in quarantine.
- 2.8. Sailing Instructions will be made available on <https://hyc.ie/open-events> before 20th August 2020



3. Advertising

3.1. Competitors may be required to display event sponsor's advertising material as prescribed under World Sailing Regulation 20.4.1.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the National Squib Class.

4.2. The owner and competing helmsman of the boat shall be current members of the Irish Squib Forum and NSOA.

4.3. There are no restrictions on the number of entries.

4.4. Competitors may enter online at <https://hyc.ie/open-events>

4.5. Entry Fees

Before 1st August 2020	€ 90.00
On or after 1st August 2020	€100.00

5. Schedule

5.1. Seven races are scheduled. Three races shall be completed to constitute a series.

5.2. It is intended to start two races on Friday 21st August, three races on Saturday 22nd August and two races on Sunday 23rd August, however this schedule may change and will be signalled as per the SI.

5.3. No race will be started after 1500 Sunday 23rd August, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonment of a race where the first warning signal was made before 1500.

Date	Event	Time
Fri. 21 st August	Launching	0900 - 2030
	Registration and Equipment Inspection	1400 – 1700
	Competitors' Briefing	1630
	Race Warning Signal	1830
	Subsequent races	Immediately after preceding race
Sat. 22 nd August	Race Warning Signal	1125
	Subsequent races	Immediately after preceding races
Sun. 23 rd August	Race Warning Signal	1025
	Subsequent races	Immediately after preceding races
	Craning out	1400 - 1900



6. Conditions of Entry

6.1. Entry Disclaimer:

- The participant is entirely responsible for his/her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.
- It is for the participant to decide whether he/she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find him/herself. By launching or going to sea, the participant confirms that he/she is fit for those conditions and is competent to sail and compete in them.
- No action of the OA shall reduce the responsibility of the participant nor will it make the OA responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the participant taking part in the racing. The OA encompasses everyone helping to run the races and the event and includes, but is not limited to, the Race Officer, Race Committee, Mark and Safety Boat Crews, Beach Masters and staff or agents of Howth Yacht Club.
- The provision of Safety Boats shall not relieve the participant of his/her responsibilities.
- The fact that the Race Committee may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the participant set out in this Notice of Race.

6.2. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid and adequate third-party liability insurance.

7. Registration

7.1. Registration will take place on the ground floor of the clubhouse, beside the Marina Office, during the times indicated in NoR 5 "Schedule".

8. Equipment Inspection

8.1. The OA reserves the right to inspect equipment and/or measure boats, sails or equipment and/or weigh boats before or during the event. This includes on-the-water inspections.

8.2. Any boat that complies with its certificate as to the number and weight of its correctors but is under-weight when weighed will be required to fit additional correctors to bring it up to weight before racing.

9. Crew

9.1. The names of the crew and the single designated helmsman shall be declared at the time of registration.



- 9.2. After registration, substitution of declared crews shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 9.3. In an emergency, or on a downwind leg of the course, the designated helmsman may hand over to a crew member who is not a member of NSOA.

10. Identification

- 10.1. All boats shall sail under their registered class number. Only sails that have been scrutineered for the event shall be used. Substitution of sails shall not be permitted except in cases of extreme hardship and then only with the written permission of the Race Committee. In no circumstances shall a boat be permitted to use the sail number of another boat already competing
- 10.2. As allowed for in RRS Appendix G3, subject to the written permission of the Race Committee, a boat chartered or loaned for the event may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number to be displayed on all sails used in the regatta which may be different from the number of the boat as stated on the measurement certificate provided that this declared number shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta.

11 Launching

- 11.1. Launching by crane at Howth Yacht Club will be at the time indicated in NoR5 "Schedule". In order to assist with social distancing, launching slots will be made available. Please contact Howth Yacht Club Marina marina@hyc.ie or +353-1-8392777 to schedule a launching slot. Only approved lifting strops shall be used.
- 11.2. During the launching time indicated in NoR5, maintenance of boats when hanging from the crane is not permitted.
- 11.3. All boats shall be afloat by the warning signal for the first points race of the event.



12 Moorings or Berthing

- 12.1. Berthing will be available, free of charge, on the Howth Yacht Club Marina or swinging moorings for the duration of the event. Details will be provided on arrival. Support boats will be accommodated if space permits, free of charge. Those requiring berths for support boats should contact Howth Yacht Club Marina Please contact Howth Yacht Club Marina marina@hyc.ie or +353-1-8392777 before the regatta, to confirm space is available.
- 12.2. Competitors are requested to bring lines and fenders suitable for stacked marina berthing.



13 Race Area and Courses

13.1. The Race Area will be in the waters North of Howth, Co. Dublin, Ireland



13.2. The courses to be sailed will be defined in the SI and will be either a combination of trapezoid and windward leeward legs or a straight windward / leeward course.

14 Scoring

14.1. The Low Points scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

14.2. When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14.3. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.



15 Prizes

- 15.1. Prizes will be given for first, second, third overall in both Gold and Silver Fleets. There may also be a number of race prizes.
- 15.2. Perpetual prizes, which remain the property of the Irish Squib Forum, will be awarded.
- 15.3. Irish Sailing medals shall be awarded to the leading three Irish boats overall.

16 Contact Information

- 16.1. The Regatta Organising Committee and Organising Authority may be contacted at:

Howth Yacht Club
Middle Pier
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Co. Dublin
D13 V6E3
Ireland
Telephone: +353-1-832 2141
Email: office@hyc.ie
Website: <http://hyc.ie/>

- 16.2 The National Authority may be contacted at:

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3 Park Road
Dun Laoghaire
Co. Dublin
A96 K3C3
Ireland
Telephone: +353-1-280 0239
Email: info@sailing.ie
Website: www.sailing.ie

- 16.3 The Irish Squib Forum may be contacted at:

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