

## **SQUIB Eastern CHAMPIONSHIP**

**4th & 5th September 2021**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

**Coronavirus  
COVID-19**



This event is subject to the Covid 19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government. All people associated with this event must comply with these conditions. These conditions are changing as the event approaches and will influence the running/organisation/cancellation of this event.

#### **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/documents/2020/racing/IS-Prescriptions-to-Racing-Rules-2021-24-Board%20Approved.pdf>
- 2.3. RRS Appendix G3, as changed by NOR 10.2, will apply.
- 2.4. 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>
- 2.5. Sailing Instructions will be made available on <https://hyc.ie/open-events> before 3rd September 2021.

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### 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

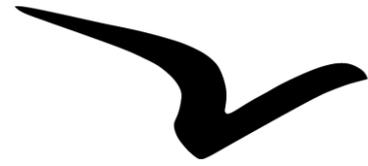
- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the National Squib Class.
- 4.2. The owner and competing helmsman of the boat shall be current members of the Irish Squib Forum and NSOA.
- 4.3. There are no restrictions on the number of entries.
- 4.4. Competitors may enter online at <https://hyc.ie/open-events>
- 4.5. The entry fee is €100.00

### 5. Schedule

- 5.1. Six races are scheduled. Three races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 5.2. Four races may be sailed on either day.
- 5.3. No race will be started after 1500 Sunday 5th September, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonment of a race where the first warning signal was made before 1500.

Date	Event	Time
Fri. 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Launching	0900 - 2100
	Registration and Equipment Inspection	1700 - 2100
Sat. 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Launching	0800 – 1000
	Registration and Equipment Inspection	0900 – 1000
	Briefing	0930
	Race Warning Signal	1125
	Subsequent races	Immediately after preceding races
Sun. 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Race Warning Signal	1025
	Subsequent races	Immediately after preceding races
	Craning out	1400 - 1900

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## 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.

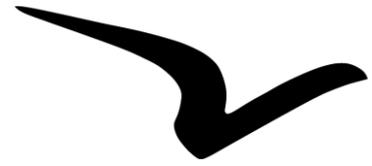
## 7. Registration

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

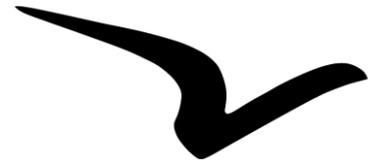
- 9.1. The names of the crew and the single designated helmsman shall be declared at the time of registration.
- 9.2. After registration, substitution of declared crews shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 9.3. In an emergency, or on a downwind leg of the course, 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](mailto: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.



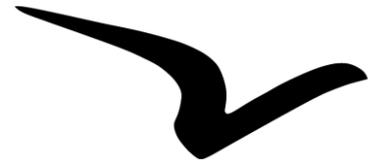
## 12. Mooring / Berthing

- 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](mailto: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 Windward-Leeward or Triangle-Sausage-Triangle





### 13 Scoring

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

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

13.3 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.

### 14 Prizes

14.1 Prizes will be given for first, second, third overall in both Gold and Silver Fleets. There may also be race prizes.

14.2 Perpetual prizes, which remain the property of the Irish Squib Forum, will be awarded.

### 15 Contact Information

The Regatta Organising Committee and Organising Authority may be contacted at:

Howth Yacht Club

Middle Pier

Howth

Co. Dublin

D13 V6E3

Ireland

Telephone: +353-1-832 2141

Email: [office@hyc.ie](mailto:office@hyc.ie)

Website: <http://hyc.ie/>

### 16 Covid-19 Statement

By taking part in the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID- 19 and for complying with the Howth Yacht Club COVID-19 procedures.

Should a sailor have entered the event but then be unable to attend because of the HYC Covid protocol, their entry fee will be refunded.

Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions. [NP]