



HYC SPORTSBOAT CUP

INCORPORATING :
THE SB20 EASTERNS | HALF & QUARTER TON CLASS
1720 CLASS | SB20 CLASS | RS ELITE CLASS
J24 CLASS | J80 CLASSES

— NOTICE OF RACE —

FRI 27TH - SUN 29TH MAY '16
HOWTH YACHT CLUB



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1. RULES

- 1.1 HYC Sportsboat Cup 2016 & the SB20 Eastern Championships, organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd. will be held between 27th and 29th May at Howth, Co. Dublin.
- 1.2 Racing will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 - 2016 (RRS) The Irish Sailing Association Prescriptions and Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.3 Class Rules including weight limits (if any) will apply.
- 1.4 The Rules of the Sailfleet J80 Class shall apply. See Notice of Race (NOR) Appendix A.
- 1.5 Where there is a conflict with the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail except that neither shall change nor alter a class rule.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 HYC Sportsboat Cup is open to boats sailing in the following one design sportsboats: 1720s, SB20s, RS Elites, J24s and J80s.

Half Tonners and Quarter Tonners with a valid IRC certificate who comply with their respective class rules.

ISA Sailfleet J80s.

- 3.2 Boats racing in the SB20 Eastern Championships shall be paid up members of the Class Association
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter online, via the Howth Yacht Club website (hyc.ie/open-events) or by returning the entry form, with fee, which can be downloaded from the same website.
- 3.4 Entries received after the 20th May will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry fees are as follows:
(These include berthing for all competitors for the duration, cramage at the beginning and end of the regatta and trailer storage if travelling by road).

	Up to + incl May 1st	After May 1st
1720	€155	€185
RS Elite	€155	€185
SB20	€155	€185
SB20 (Easterns Only)	€125	€155
Quarter & Half Tonners	€155	€185
J24	€155	€185
Sailfleet J80 (HYC Members) ...	€210	€240
Sailfleet J80 (Non Members)	€245	€275
J80	€155	€185

- 4.2 A refundable deposit of €1,000.00 shall be paid, in advance of racing, for those racing the Sailfleet J80s.
- 4.3 To qualify for the HYC Member rate when entering a Sailfleet J80 the skipper must be a member of HYC.

5. HANDICAPS (Quarter Ton & Half Ton Class only)

- 5.1 The following handicap data shall be used for the Quarter & Half Ton Class:
IRC: TCC values of current valid certificate which has a valid date of 9th May 2016 or earlier.
- 5.2 A copy of the current valid rating certificate shall be available on board for inspection.

6. REGISTRATION

Registration will take place in the Race Office in Howth Yacht Club.

Registration times:
Thursday 26th May: 1700 - 2100

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 It is proposed to sail nine races.
A minimum of three races must be sailed to constitute a series.

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Proposed Schedule of Races:

Friday 27th May: Up to three races
Saturday 28th May: Up to four races
Sunday 29th May: Remaining races to complete series of nine races.

The Race Committee may amend the above schedule, should weather conditions require.

No race will be started after 1500 Sunday 29th May, except following postponements, general recalls and abandonments of a race where the warning signal was made before 1500.

7.2 Skippers Briefing: 0900 Friday 27th May.

Scheduled Warning Signal first Class:

1200 Friday 27th May
1200 Saturday 28th May
1200 Sunday 29th May

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

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instruction will be available on the event website and from Howth Yacht Club no later than the 20th May.

9. RACE AREA

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

10. COURSES & COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 Windward - Leeward courses shall be set. There will be two course areas, to be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 All boats are advised to carry a working VHF radio as race officers may relay information to the fleet via VHF.

11. SCORING

11.1 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 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.

11.2 Discards applied based on races sailed: 6 or more races sailed 1 discard

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the race committee.

13. BERTHING

13.1 Berthing is provided for the duration of the event for all competing boats included in the entry fee.

13.2 Boats that have entered the Lambay Races (4th June 2016) and the Irish Cruiser Racing Association National Championships (10th - 12th June) will be afforded berthing/dry storage free of charge for the intervening weeks at Howth Yacht Club.

14. PRIZES

14.1 The Prize Giving Ceremony will take place after racing on Sunday 29th May.

14.2 The Romain Cagney Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Overall Winner of the 2016 Sportsboat Cup as designated by OA. Note: Only boats that compete in the full event will be eligible for the Overall Trophy

14.3 Overall class prizes/trophies will be awarded to each class.

14.4 Perpetual prizes remain the property of Howth Yacht Club.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

16. INSURANCE

It is the duty of each boat owner to have their boat adequately insured against any risk,

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including civil responsibility to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of the HYC Sportsboat Cup.

17. MEDIA WAIVER

Competitors give their consent to Howth Yacht Club, its sponsors and the organising authority to use their name, comments, photographs and likeness in order to promote the Sportsboat Cup Regatta.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 Available on the event website www.sportsboatcup.com or Howth Yacht Club Office: +353 (01) 832 2141

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

APPENDIX A SAILFLEET J80 CLASS RULES

B.1 Boats shall not be modified or caused to be modified in any way.

The following are NOT ALLOWED:

- (a) Cross winching of foresail sheets.
- (b) Sheeting foresails directly to a winch.
- (c) Control of the mainsail using anything other than the mainsheet or boom vang (kicking strap).
- (d) Marking of the hull, deck, sails or equipment.
- (e) Perforating any sail.
- (f) Cleaning of hulls, keels and rudders.
- (g) Hiking out by holding the shrouds above the bottle screws.
- (h) Hiking out by holding the lazy sheets or any control line.
- (i) Electronic compasses, TackTicks or sailing aids of any type. Boats are to be sailed "as supplied"

B.2 Spinnakers may be used. Holding out jib with feet is permitted. Shrouds can not be held above bottlescrews while holding jib out with feet.

B.3 Only equipment and sails provided with the boat may be used.

B.4 Reefing: All boats shall reef mainsails when the race committee display flag E with 1 long sound at

or before the warning signal for a race. Reefs shall remain in place until the end of the race.

B.5 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the OA's representative or protest committee immediately after the race where the damage occurred. The penalty for breaking this SI may be disqualification from the race(s) in question, unless the protest committee or OA is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply.

B.6 No changes shall be made to rig settings, forestay length or spreaders.

B.7 No part of a crew's body, with the exception of the head and upper limbs, shall protrude beyond an imaginary vertical line drawn as a tangent to the hull at the point where the crew member is positioned.

B.8 The penalty for not complying with any of the above rules will be an umpire two turn penalty without a hearing or immediate disqualification from the event for continuous non-adherence to the above rules. This changes RRS 63.1.