



Howth to Drogheda Yacht Challenge

Organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd.

Saturday 9th July 2016

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Low Water at Howth on 9th July 2016 is 0928
High Water at Drogheda Port on 9th July 2016 is 1507

1. Rules

The races shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), ISA Prescriptions, the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

2. Warning Signal

The Warning Signal will be at 09.55. Class flag shall be represented by the No 1 pennant.

3. Course

The course shall commence with an east-going start from the start line off the East Pier, passing the Thulla Mark (J) to port, Rowan Rocks (Q) to port and to the finish line at the mouth of the Boyne River. Lambay may be passed either to port or to starboard.

4. Class Flags

Class Flags are not required.

5. Start Line

The starting line shall be one of the following, identified by a letter A, B or C displayed on the starter's hut:

- a. *Starting Line A:* A line between the red vertical line on the starter's hut and the South Rowan Buoy.
- b. *Starting Line B:* A line between the red vertical line on the starter's hut and Finish Mark F or the red and white pole/mainmast on the Committee Boat.
- c. *Starting Line C:* A line between the red vertical line on the starter's hut and the Howth Mark.
- d. *Starting Time Limit:* A boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS Appendix A4.1.

6. Finish Line

- a. The finish line is a virtual line running directly eastwards from the North Bull light at the entrance to the River Boyne marking the northern bank.

- b. Competitors are required to either record their finish time (synchronised with the start signal at 10:00am) or else to record their elapsed time from race start to the first moment that the North Bull light is directly due west (270 degrees) of their boat.
- c. The recorded times will need to be immediately emailed by competitors to: results@hvc.ie

7. Safety

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk; see Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race and also the ISA Safety Booklet. The wearing of suitable personal flotation devices in all boats is strongly recommended at all times. The responsibility for the safety of competing boats and their crews lies solely with the said competitors. Howth Yacht Club Ltd. and/or the Organising Committee will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after racing.

8. Insurance

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