



Dinghy Club Racing

Summer 2017

(incorporating Hard standing)

Notice of Race

1. The Organising Authority (OA) is Howth Yacht Club Limited.

Racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association, the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any amendments thereto.

2. Racing will be for all dinghies and will be divided between three classes, Lasers, Sundry and Optimists Boats, depending on number of entries per series. This will be reviewed at the start of each series.

3. The flags to be flown for each class are as follows:

Laser	Laser Class Flag
Sundry	Flag F
Optimist	Flag O

4. 4 series of races will be held. Two races per day will be held.

Series	Dates	First Gun	No of days racing
May Open Series	Sundays 7 th to 28 th May	10.25	4
Early Summer Series	Thursdays 1 st June to 6 th July	18.55	6
Summer Series	Thursdays 20 th July to 24 th August	18.55	6
Claremont Open Series	Sundays 10 th September to 15 th October	14.25	6

5. The entry fee is **€100.00** for single handed boats and **€150** for double handed boats. This includes **storage** of the boat and trolley for the period on the hard. Competitors may enter online at <http://hyc.ie/club-events>

For the Club only series (early summer and summer series) only members are allowed compete (both helm and crew)

6. The **Race Area** is between Howth Harbour and Ireland's Eye.
7. The **courses** will be Windward – Leeward and Olympic, Committee Boat starts.
8. **Scoring** shall be as per R.R.S. Appendix A4, low points system.
The P.I system will be used for Lasers and Sundries.
4 series of races are scheduled.
One discard will be applied per 4 races sailed.
In the event of a series tie R.R.S appendix A8.2 will apply (Best last race)
9. All boats shall display **sail numbers** on both sides of the mainsail.
No two boats may have the same sail number.
The sail number on the spinnaker shall be the same as the sail number on the mainsail.
Should an owner wish to sail under a different sail number, notice shall be given to the RO before the warning signal of the race concerned. Notice shall be given in each instance of such alteration.
Failure to comply with this requirement shall result in the boat being treated as a non-starter.
10. **Prizes** will be awarded in each class, after the last day of racing in each series. Prizes shall be awarded for each class, on the basis of average turnout as follows: 2 boats –1st, 5 boats -2nd, 8 boats -3rd, 11 or more boats -4th.
11. **All Boats competing must display a trolley tag and a HYC sticker on the transom.** These will be provided at registration at HYC. Masts must be stored with the sections separated. Road trailers are not permitted in the Dinghy Park other than for delivery or collection of boats. It should be noted that any offending trailers will be removed and parked on the pier at the owner's risk. All Boats(including those of HYC members not entered for summer racing) must be removed from the Dinghy Park **on or before Monday 16th October 2017**. Any boat not removed will be placed on the pier at the owner's risk.
12. Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid, third party cover.
13. It is a condition of entry that sailors or, in the case of juniors, parents or guardians of those juniors, assist with race management or shore duties where requested.