

## National 18 Eastern Championships 2017

Sat 22nd April to Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017

Hosted by Howth Yacht Club

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 2017 National 18 Eastern Championship will be organised by Howth Yacht Club.

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the [World Sailing RRS 2017-2020](#).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the ISA will apply.
- 1.3 Rules of the Irish National 18 Class Association will apply.
- 1.4 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

#### 2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Entry is open to boats of the National 18 Class.
- 2.2 Helms shall be a member of the Irish or other National 18 Class Association.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at [www.hyc.ie](http://www.hyc.ie)
- 2.3 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee, subject to the payment of a late entry surcharge.

#### 3 FEES

- 3.1 Required fees are as follows:

	Up to 2 April 2017	From 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2017.
National 18's	€80.00	€110.00

#### 4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration: Saturday 22nd April 09.00 to 10.00
- 4.2 Briefing – A Briefing will be held at 10.00 on Saturday 22nd April 2017.
- 4.3 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Saturday 22nd April	Races 1 to 3
Sunday 23rd April	Races 4 to 6
- 4.3 Six Races are scheduled of which two must be completed to constitute the series.
- 4.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Saturday 22nd April will be 5 minutes after the start of the SB20 class (the warning signal for the SB20 class will be 11.55). The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Sunday 23rd April will again be 5 minutes after the start of the SB20 class ( the warning signal for the SB20 class will be 10.55).

#### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration or may be available on the HYC website.

## **6 SAILING AREA**

**6.1** Races will be sailed in the waters North of Howth Harbour.

## **7 THE COURSES**

**7.1** The courses to be sailed will be Windward-Leeward.

## **8 PENALTY SYSTEM & ARBITRATION**

**8.1** Scoring Penalty 44.3 shall not apply.

**8.2** The Exoneration Penalty and the Arbitration Procedure in Appendix T will be available. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

## **9 SCORING**

**9.1** When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's worst score will be discarded.

## **10 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**10.1** Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat. This changes rule 40; wetsuits and dry-suits are not considered to be adequate.

## **11 PRIZES**

**11.1** Prizes will be given as follows: First, Second and Third in each class. Further Prizes may be awarded.

## **12.0 LIABILITY**

**12.1** Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision To Race. The Organising Authority, their officers, members and volunteers, will not accept liability for the loss of life or property, or personal injury, or damage caused by or arising out of the National 18 Eastern Championships 2017, including any pre-championship training at the championship site, and competitors take part in the championship entirely at their own risk. The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of competitors being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat they are sailing. It is the responsibility of each competitor to participate in a race or to continue racing. A competitor is wholly and exclusively responsible for his or her personal accident and health insurance. A skipper is wholly and exclusively responsible for his or her third party liability insurance on the boat that he or she is sailing.

## **13 INSURANCE**

**13.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **14.0 TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP**

All helms and their crews competing in the Event will be granted Temporary Membership of Howth Yacht Club for the duration of the event and will be bound by the rules of the Club. The Club reserves the right to withdraw such temporary membership.

## **15.0 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**15.1** For further information please contact:  
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**END OF NOTICE OF RACE**