



IUSA Student Yachting Nationals 2017

Date: 29th – 30th April 2017

Incorporating the SYWoC Qualifiers for 2017.

Notice of Race

1. Organising Authority and Venue

The Organising Authority (OA) is Howth Yacht Club

2. Rules & Eligibility

2.1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the I.S.A., the HYC J80 rules and this Notice of Race except as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any amendments there to.

2.2. Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

2.3. The event is open to the top ten universities/colleges in Ireland. This ranking is decided by IUSA.

2.4. On the water judging may be in place.

3. Entries

3.1. Entries shall be made online only at <http://hyc.ie/open-events>

3.2. The entry fee is €300.00 per team

3.3. The closing date and time for entries will be Tuesday 25th April 2017 at 1600. Entries received after this date and time will be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

3.4. Entries are limited to ten teams. Priority will be given to universities / colleges in order of IUSA college rankings.

3.5. Each boat shall be limited to a crew of five people of mixed gender. A crew member may not be added, removed or substituted without prior written approval from the OA.

3.6. The Race Office will be open, for registration, from 0800 until 0930 on Saturday 30th April 2017.

4. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available on <http://hyc.ie/open-events> and at registration.

5. Briefing & Draw

5.1. A briefing to all competitors will be given by the Principal Race Officer at 0830 on Saturday 29th April 2017 in the clubhouse.

5.2. There will be a draw, at this time, to decide boat allocation.

6. Safety

6.1. Personal Flotation Devices shall be worn at all times by competitors whilst afloat.

6.2. It is strongly recommended that all yachts carry a VHF radio. Communication on general matters relating to the racing may be transmitted by the race committee. Howth Yacht Club will not provide VHF radios to competitors.

7. Racing Area

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

8. Courses

The courses will be windward/leeward format and the full programme will be outlined in the Sailing Instructions.

9. Schedule of Races

9.1. Races shall be as per schedule in the Sailing Instructions.

Time of first Warning Signal on Saturday 29th April 2017: 1000 hours

Time of first Warning Signal on Sunday 30th April 2017: 1000 hours

10. Scoring

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

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

10.3. When from four to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10.4. When more than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11. Equipment

11.1. The event will be sailed in HYC J80s.

11.2. Spinnaker use is at the discretion of the race committee. Will be fully outlined in Sailing Instructions.

12. Damage deposit

12.1. Entrants shall deposit €1,000.00, by means of a credit card, with Howth Yacht Club.

12.2. Should any damage occur, any apportioned damages shall be deducted from the damage deposit prior to its return. A schedule of repair costs will be presented as part of the Sailing Instructions.

13. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded to the first three teams.

The winning team will be offered the opportunity to represent Ireland at the Student World Yachting Cup 2017. The offer shall be accepted by 1200 Monday, 15th My 2017. If the offer is not accepted, the opportunity shall be offered to the second-placed team. Communication of this acceptance shall be to IUSA.

14. Other information

Further enquiries to Howth Yacht Club, Harbour Road, Howth, Co. Dublin.

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