

RS Elite Irish National Championships

Including Squibs McMillan Shield 27th & 28th August 2022

NOTICE OF RACE



1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club, (RNIYC) Seafront Road, Cultra, Holywood, Co Down, BT18 0BB.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the prescriptions of the RYA, the rules of the appropriate class association, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendment thereto.
- 2.2 All boats and competitors shall comply in full with the insurance and safety requirements. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per incident/event or the equivalent.

3 ADVERTISING

3.1 All entries may be required to display advertising at the bow of the boat, at the discretion of the organising authority, in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3(d)(i) of the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 to 2024.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **4.1** The event is open to all RS Elites and Squibs sailed or crewed by members of the relevant Class Association.
- **4.2** Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and sending it, together with the required entry fee to The Secretary Manager, RNIYC,Seafront Road, Cultra, Holywood, BT18 0BB to be received no later than 17.00 hrs on Friday 19th August 2022. Entries to be valid must be complete in all respects, signed by all required parties, and enclose the required entry fee.
- **4.3** Each boat may be asked to produce a valid measurement certificate at registration.
- **4.4** Late entries may be accepted under the following conditions:
 - The organizing authority determining, at its absolute discretion, that it has the necessary facilities to cope with such late entry. The organizing authority shall be under no obligation to accept any late entry.

5 EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY.

5.1 Boats shall comply with the prescriptions set out in the Class Rules or the Notice or Race and Sailing Instructions. Boats may be equipped with functioning marine VHF, the primary purpose of which is to monitor the Race Committee transmissions. The channel used will be noted in the Sailing Instructions. Flares are not necessary at this event.

6 SCHEDULE

- **6.1** Registration shall take place at the Club House from 19.00hrs to 20.00hrs on Friday 26th August, and again from 08.45hrs to 09.30hrs on the first day of the regatta. Sailing Instructions and details of the social programme will be available to competitors at registration, and may, where possible, be posted on the RNIYC website (www.rniyc.org) one week in advance of the regatta.
- **6.2** Measurement, examination of measurement certificates and/or measurement checking may take place as part of the registration process.
- **6.3** A briefing will be held in the Club House at 09.45 hrs on the first day of scheduled racing.
- 6.4 Six races are scheduled for the event. The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race is 11.25 hrs on the first day of racing; The scheduled time for the warning signal on the second day of the event will be 10.25 hrs. The second and subsequent race(s) on each day will commence as soon as possible after the completion of the previous race. 3 races are scheduled for the first day

7 RACE AREA AND COURSES

7.1 Details of the race area and courses to be sailed will be available at registration.

8 SCORING

- **8.1** The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A, will be used.
- **8.2** 6 races are scheduled of which 3 shall constitute a series.
- **8.3** If 3 or fewer races are sailed, no score shall be discarded. This amends Appendix A, A2.

9 PRIZES AND PRIZEGIVING

9.1 The prize giving will be held at approx 16.30 hrs on 30th August, at RNIYC.

10 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

10.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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 event.

11 LAUNCHING, RECOVERY AND BERTHING

- **11.1** RNIYC's slipway is available for launching and recovery. This slipway is exposed and tidal. Visitors should contact RNIYC for advice on launching at RNIYC and elsewhere.
- **11.2** Swinging moorings will be available for all competing boats at RNIYC. Mooring is entirely at boat owners risk.

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

12.1 For further information, including accommodation details, please see the RNIYC website or contact the Event Organizer at the following address. The Secretary Manager, Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club, Seafront Road, Cultra, Holywood, Co Down, BT18 0BB. Tel: 0044 2890 428041 Fax: 0044 2890 427418 Email: manager@rniyc.org

