



# IRISH EAST COAST DRAGON CHAMPIONSHIP 2012

hosted by

*National Yacht Club*

Friday 25 - Sunday 27 May 2012

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RULES

The organising authority, by permission of the Irish Dragon Association, is the **National Yacht Club**. The event will be governed by the current 'rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association, the current International Dragon Class Rules, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

### 2. ADVERTISING AND SCORING

In line with ISAF Regulation 20.4, participating boats may be required to carry a sponsor's name on each side of the forward 25% of the hull. It is a helmsman's championship, and is a ranking regatta for the purposes of Irish qualification for European & World Championships. Under RRS 90.3 scoring shall be the Low Points Scoring System. A minimum of 4 races must be sailed to constitute a series. If five races are sailed there will be one discard applied, subject to provisions of RRS Appendix A2 - Scores not Excludable. Ties will be decided in accordance with Appendix A8.

### 3. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the helmsman and crew of the first six boats overall, and to the winner of each race, except that no helm and crew may win more than one race winner prize.

### 4. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

- All Owners and Helmsmen shall be paid up members of their National Dragon Association and their National Sailing Authority.
- Entries on the official Entry Form with accompanying fee by 2100 hrs on Thursday 24 May 2012
- Entries should be delivered to: East Coast Dragon Championship 2011, c/o National Yacht Club, Dunlaoghaire, Co Dublin, Ireland.

Sailing Instructions shall be available at Registration which will take place in the Race Office at the National Yacht Club during the following hours: -

Thursday 24 May 2012	1800 - 2000 hrs
Friday 25 May 2012	from 09.30 hrs

**Entry Fee: €250 per yacht payable to Dublin Bay Dragon Fleet**

Entry Fee includes participation, craning and parking/mooring and honorary membership of NYC for the duration of the event.

### 5. CREW WEIGHT

Class Rule 13.30 shall apply. *"Except when excluded by the Sailing Instructions, the total weight of the crew shall not exceed 285 KG. The weight shall be taken with the crew wearing lightweight clothing. If a crew has been officially weighed immediately previous to the regatta, re-weighing during the regatta shall not take place unless there is a change of crew."*

#### **6. NUMBER OF CREW AND PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES**

Class Rule 13.10 will apply. *"There shall not be more than four persons on board while racing. A boat shall compete with the same number of crew throughout an event."*

Class Rule 11.10.4 will also apply. *"A Personal Flotation Device (PFD) with minimum buoyancy of 50 Newtons shall be carried for each person on board. Each PFD shall be either of the compressed gas automatically inflatable type, or of the permanently buoyant type or a combination of both."*

#### **7. COURSES AND SCHEDULE OF RACES**

The courses will be Windward-Leeward. Subject to confirmation in the Sailing Instructions, six (6) races will be sailed in the waters of Dublin Bay from 25 to 27 May 2012, two races each day, back to back. The Warning Signal for the first race on Friday 25 May will be 12.00 hrs. On Saturday 26 May, and on Sunday 27 May the Warning Signal for the first race will be at 11.30 hrs.

No warning signal will be made after 14.00hrs on Sunday 27 May.

#### **8. PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART 2**

RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that the Two-turn penalty is replaced by a One-turn.

#### **9. INSURANCE**

Each competing Dragon's Owner(s) and competing crews shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring and shall maintain Third Party Insurance Cover of not less than One Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Euro (€1,250,000) for any accident. All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

#### **10. LIABILITY**

No responsibility shall be accepted by the National Yacht Club, their directors, members, servants or agents nor any of the sponsors, nor those officials or members connected with the Event, for any loss, damage or any other claim of whatever nature however arising or caused in connection with the participation in or intended participation in this event.

#### **11. RESPONSIBILITY**

The safety of each Dragon yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Owner(s) or the Person in Charge whose obligation it is to ensure that the Dragon yacht is fully sound, seaworthy and is manned by an experienced crew with all the required safety gear. Neither this Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions nor any action by National Yacht Club, the Organising Committee or Race Committee in any way limits the responsibility of the Owner(s) or the Person In Charge. **Attention is drawn to RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rules, and to the current International Dragon Class Rule 11.**

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Thursday 24 May	Welcome visitors in National YC
Friday 25 May	Fleet Party (details at registration)
Saturday 26 May	Championship Dinner in National YC
Sunday 27 May	Prize-giving - ASAP after haul out

Any further details / information will be provided at registration.

Further information from:

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# ENTRY FORM

To be returned with the entry fee of € 250 by 2100hrs Thursday 24 May 2012  
Cheques payable to **Dublin Bay Dragon Fleet**, and delivered to:

National Yacht Club, Dun Laoghaire, Co Dublin

NAME OF YACHT:

SAIL NO:

OWNER(S):

HELMSMAN:

WEIGHT (kgs):

CLUB:

CREW:

WEIGHT (kgs):

CREW:

WEIGHT (kgs):

CREW:

WEIGHT (kgs):

HOME ADDRESS OF OWNER/HELMSMAN:

TELEPHONE:

FAX:

E-MAIL:

I agree to be bound by the current RRS, the current International Dragon Association rules, the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto. I confirm that I will have Third Party Insurance in place for the duration of the regatta to a minimum value of €1,250,000. I confirm that I am a paid up member of my national sailing authority (ISA) and my National Dragon Association (IrDA).

<b>Championship Entry Fee</b>	<b>€250</b>
<b>Irish Dragon Association annual membership Fee 2012</b>	
• <b>Dublin Bay Fleet members</b>	<b>€220</b>
• <b>Kinsale/Glandore members</b>	<b>€150</b>

**Championship Dinner tickets may be booked & paid for at registration**

I enclose a cheque for €

SIGNED:

DATE: