



Flying Fifteen East Coast Championships National Yacht Club, Dun Laoghaire

Saturday 19th, Sunday 20th September 2020

Organising Authority: The National Yacht Club and the Flying Fifteen Association of Ireland



This event is subject to the Covid 19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government. All people associated with this event must comply with these conditions. These conditions are changing as the event approaches and will influence the running/organisation/cancellation of this event.

Notice of Race

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee [NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Championships will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by the rules and prescriptions of Irish Sailing.
- 1.2 The rules of the Flying Fifteen Class will apply, in so far that they do not conflict with the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2 ADVERTISING [DP] [NP]

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Flying Fifteen Class.

Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form on www.nyc.ie together with payment of the required fee, a late entry fee of €15 will apply for entries received after Thursday 17th September.

4 CLASSIFICATION

4.1 The World Sailing Sailor Classification Code will not apply.

5 FEES

5.1 The full entry fee shall be €85

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Registration will only be online on www.nyc.ie all boats must be registered before 09.00hrs on Saturday19th September. Competitors briefing will take place via Zoom at 09.00hrs on Saturday19th (Zoom link will be emailed to skippers and crews at time of registration).

6.2 Five races are scheduled, three on Saturday and two on Sunday (note 6.3 below)

| Date | Warning Signal |
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| Saturday 19th | First warning signal 11:55hrs 2 nd & 3 rd race to follow ASAP |
| Sunday 20th | First warning signal 10:55hrs 2 nd race to follow ASAP |

- 6.3 An extra race over the daily schedule may be held and will be indicated by the flying of Numeral 1 at the finish of the last scheduled race that day.
- 6.4 On Sunday 20thth no warning signal will be made after 15:00hrs.
- 6.5 The Championships will consist of Bronze, Silver and Gold. classification of entries for Gold, Silver and Bronze fleets will be at the discretion of the organizers.

7 MEASUREMENTS

- 7.1 Each boat shall produce, if requested, a valid measurement certificate. Only certified sails may be used.
- 7.2 Equipment may be inspected or measured upon arrival or at any time during the Championship.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The sailing instructions will only be available on www.nyc.ie before Saturday 19th September.

9 **VENUE**

- 9.1 The venue is National Yacht Club, Dun Laoghaire.
- 9.2 The sailing area will be on Dublin Bay.

10 THE COURSES

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be as defined in the Sailing Instructions and will be Windward Leeward and/or Triangular type.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply with the following changes:
 - The arbitrator may be a member of the panel at the protest hearing subsequent to an arbitration meeting;
 - When the arbitrator decides that rule 44.1(b) does not apply and that arbitration is appropriate, if
 party is not present at the arbitration meeting any party that was present may take a Post-Race
 Penalty at any time until the Protest Committee has completed taking evidence.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 5 Races are scheduled. 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- (a) When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 4 to 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13 BERTHING

13.1 Dry sailing berths available in the Dinghy park adjacent to the club house.

14 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

14.1 Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. It is recommended all boats carry a VHF radio for safety. The Race Committee may broadcast information to the fleet and channel details will be provided at the zoom briefing and in the SI's.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 1st, 2nd, 3rd Gold Fleet
 - 1st Silver Fleet
 - 1st Bronze Fleet
- 15.2 In addition other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

16 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions:
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

17 INSURANCE [DP] [NP]

17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 3 million Euros (or equivalent) and shall sign a declaration to that effect.

Further Information

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