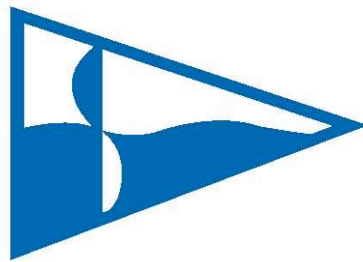


DUN LAOGHAIRE MOTOR YACHT CLUB



SEPTEMBER SERIES 2013

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS &
PROGRAMME OF EVENTS**

DUN LAOGHAIRE MOTOR YACHT CLUB GENERAL INFORMATION.

TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

All Helmsmen and their crews competing in the Race will be Temporary Members of the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club on the day of a Race and will be bound by the rules of the Club. The Club reserves the right to withdraw such Temporary Membership.

MOORING

It is possible that a very limited number of moorings may be available and application should be made to the Club Secretary. The Club will not accept liability for any claims of any nature arising from the use of Moorings.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Flag Officers and Committee of the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club wish to express their gratitude for the assistance rendered by: The Irish Sailing Association, Dublin Bay Sailing Club, and to Captain Simon Coates, Harbour Master Dun Laoghaire, for facilities provided. Our sincere thanks also goes to all who have loaned flagships and mark boats and everyone who has worked to make the series possible.

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

1. High Water: All times Local. Time Meters

Sunday	Sept 1	08.52	3.40
Sunday	Sept 8	13.01	4.00
Sunday	Sept 15	07.43	3.50
Sunday	Sept 22	13.06	3.90
Sunday	Sept 29	07.16	3.40
Sunday	Oct 6	11.56	4.10

2. Protests will be scheduled by the Rear Commodore Sailing and will be held at the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club as soon as possible after each days racing (see 15.3). To facilitate prize giving the protesting boat is requested to inform the protested boat(s) as soon as is possible.

3. Daily schedule of the Stena Line Ferry:

Arr: 12.15 Dept: 13.15 Until Sept. 11th. Subject to change, check and keep clear.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

On Race Days, tea or coffee in the Member's Bar. There is a full bar service in the clubhouse. The DMYC launch service is available from the marina. On the final Sunday Afternoon (Oct. 6) there will be a prize giving at 1330 hrs (approximately, subject to results availability), in the DMYC Clubhouse, West Pier.

DUN LAOGHAIRE MOTOR YACHT CLUB SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RULES

1.1 The Organising Authority is the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club.

1.2 This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2013 and any amendments thereto, the Prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association (ISA), the appropriate Class Rules, IRC and ECHO handicapping system rules, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions (SIs). Course Cards A, B form part of these Sailing Instructions. In the event of any conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Eligible yachts are those in the classes listed on the Notice of Race that comply with the relevant Class Rules and handicapping system rules and Race entry requirements.

2.2 The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner(s) or the owner's representative whose obligation it is to ensure that the yacht is fully sound, seaworthy, manned by an experienced crew and equipped with all the necessary safety gear. Neither these Sailing Instructions nor any action of the organising authority in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner(s) or owner's representative.

2.3 Attention is drawn to RRS 4 - Part 1 Fundamental Rules.

2.4 Yacht owners and competing crews shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, yachts or equipment at all times and however occurring and shall maintain third party insurance cover of not less than one million five hundred thousand Euro (€1,500,000), and shall produce a valid certificate of insurance upon request.

2.5 No responsibility shall be accepted by the Organising authority (Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club), its members, servants or agents, nor those officials or members connected with the event for any loss, damage, injury or other claim of whatever nature howsoever arising or caused in connection with participation in, or intended participation in, this event.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Changes in Sailing Instructions and/or Notices to Competitors will be posted on the notice board of the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club and may be repeated on the notice boards of the Royal St. George Yacht Club, the Royal Irish Yacht Club, the National Yacht Club, the and the Dun Laoghaire Marina before 1000hrs on the day they shall take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted before 2100hrs on the day before they shall take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore may be displayed from the yardarm of the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club and may be repeated on the yardarms of the Royal St. George Yacht Club, the Royal Irish Yacht Club, the National Yacht Club, and Dun Laoghaire Marina.

4.2 International Code Flag "AP", Answering Pennant, with two sound signals, (one sound signal when lowered) means "Racing is postponed". The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after "AP" is lowered. (This amends RRS Race Signals).

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Racing will be provided for yachts in classes Cruisers 0, Cruisers 1, Cruisers 2 (including Beneteau 31.7), Cruisers 3, White-Sail Cruisers, Sigma 33, Shipman, Ruffian and Beneteau 21.

5.2 The schedules of racing and the class flags are as set out on Course Cards A, and B.

6. HANDICAPS AND DIVISION OF CLASSES

6.1 Yachts of Cruiser Classes will be handicapped on the following basis:

Cruiser Classes 0, 1, 2, 3	ECHO and/or IRC
White Sail Cruisers	ECHO only.

6.2 Yachts in Cruiser Classes will be divided as follows on the basis of their current ISA Standard ECHO Reference Handicap or IRC handicap, subject to the Race Committee's right to allocate a yacht to any class:

Cruiser Class 0	1.045 and above	Cruiser Class 2	0.920 to 0.979
Cruiser Class 1	0.980 to 1.044	Cruiser Class 3	0.919 and below

14. TIME LIMIT

14.1 All Classes on Course Card A shall be timed up to 13.30 hrs, except where a yacht from a class finishes within this time limit, the time limit for that class will be extended to 14.00 hrs.

14.2 All Classes on Course Card B shall be timed up to 2.5 hrs after their start time, except where a yacht from a class finishes within this time limit, the time limit for that class will be extended by 30 minutes.

15. PROTESTS

15.1 Protests shall conform to the requirements of RRS 61, shall be written on ISA protest forms. This amends RRS 61.2.

15.2 Protesting yachts shall inform the Race Committee and may receive an acknowledgement before leaving the finishing area. This amends RRS 61.1.

15.3 Protest shall be lodged with the DMYC race office within 90 minutes of the time limit on the day of the Race. Protest hearings shall be arranged at a time and place to be advised by the Rear Commodore Sailing.

16. SCORING

16.1 The Low Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A shall apply.

17. SPECIAL NOTICES

17.1 Car Ferry / Commercial Shipping: Competitors shall keep clear of the Car Ferry and all commercial shipping as well as other yachts competing on separate courses. If possible alterations in the scheduled times of arrival and departure of the Car Ferry will be posted on the Notice Boards. Please refer to chart and special instructions on the course card. Please refer to special notice on the course card in regard to the rounding of certain navigation marks. Competitors should make themselves familiar with traffic separation zones in the Bay and take the appropriate precautions as recommended by the IRPCAS.

17.2 Prohibited area - Dublin Port Channel and Dalkey Sound: All yachts are prohibited from entering the "No Go" areas bordered by the Poolbeg light, navigation buoys Nos. 6, 4, Dublin Bay Buoy, Navigation buoys 1, 3, 5 and the North Bull light, and, also the "No Go" area at Dalkey Sound.

17.3 A yacht racing shall not cross the starting or finishing line of any other race/course.

17.4 Personal buoyancy: Competitors in all boats shall wear appropriate approved personal buoyancy. Failure to comply with this requirement may lead to disqualification. International Code Flag "Y" may be flown at any start. Failure to fly Code Flag "Y" will not be grounds for redress. This amends RRS 40.

17.5 Rescue priority: Patrol boats or other vessels shall have right of way, when engaged in rescue operations.

18. PRIZES

18.1 First prize will be awarded in classes in which there are two or more boats entered, and in addition, second and third prizes will be awarded when there are 5 and 7 or more entrants respectively.

COURSE CARD A

Sundays: 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 September.

West Pier Starter's Hut VHF: Channel 68.

1. DESIGNATING THE COURSE - HUT START

1.1 A course letter, [A-Z], and number [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7] will be displayed on the Starters Hut from approximately (3) three minutes before the start of each class to approximately (1) one minute after the start of each class and may be announced on the radio. Courses will be as per **DBSC Course Card 01, Tuesdays, West Pier Starts, 2013 version**. The letter and number displayed shall designate the particular course to be sailed for that class. This changes RRS 27.1

1.2 The display of letter(s) only will indicate that the DBSC course table is not in use. In this case, the letters indicate the marks to be rounded and the order of rounding. A red flag will indicate that these marks are to be rounded to port and a green flag, to starboard. After rounding the last mark indicated, boats shall pass or round turning mark to port and proceed to the finish line.

2. MARKS

2.1 Marks of the course will be navigation marks and racing marks positioned in Dublin Bay. The identification letters and approximate positions of these marks are shown on the Chart entitled "DBSC RACING MARKS 2013", attached to DBSC Course Card 01, Tuesdays, West Pier Starts, 2013 version.

3. THE CLASSES TO RACE, CLASS FLAGS AND THE SCHEDULE OF RACES

3.1 Starting sequence will be in accordance with RRS 26.

3.2 The following will be the classes to race, the class flags and the schedule of races.

3.3 Beneteau 31.7 will start with Cruiser 2.

Classes	Flags	Warning	Prep.	1 minute	Start
Cruiser 0, Cruiser 1	0, 1	10.25	10.26	10.29	10.30
Cruiser 2, Sigma 33	2, E	10.30	10.31	10.34	10.35
Cruiser 3, Shipman	3, W	10.35	10.36	10.39	10.40
Ruffian 23	U	10.40	10.41	10.44	10.45
Beneteau 21	T	10.45	10.46	10.49	10.50
White Sail	5	10.50	10.51	10.54	10.55
Flag sequence		Class up	P up	P down	Class down

4. STARTING AND FINISHING LINE

4.1 The starting line will be defined by a transit formed by bringing in line the two rectangles on top of the DBSC Hut (located on the West Pier and displaying the burgee of the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club), and by the limit mark of the colour indicated on a Board displayed at the Hut.

4.2 Finishing line: between the orange limit mark and an orange line on the north-east corner of the DBSC hut. Boats shall cross the finishing line from the direction of Turning mark (X) after leaving it to port. A boat shall not cross the line of sight between the Hut and the black or orange limit marks while sailing to Turning mark from the preceding mark. This changes RRS 28.1.

5. CHARTS; BEARING AND DISTANCE

5.1 DBSC members should use their course cards, marks charts and bearing and distance tables.

5.2 Copies are available, on request, from the DMYC.

COURSE CARD B - Windward – Leeward

Sunday: 6 October.

Race Committee Vessel identification: Orange flag VHF: Channel 68

1. COURSE AND MARKS

1.1 The course will be a Windward Leeward type course as shown in the Course Diagram with a Windward Mark M1 and a Wing Mark and a Leeward Mark M2. The course to be sailed will be as indicated below and as illustrated in the course diagram. The number of rounds to be sailed by each class will be displayed by a board on the Race Committee Vessel from approximately (3) three minutes before the start to approximately (1) one minute after the start and it may be announced on the radio. This amends RRS 27.1.

1.2 The Starting / Finishing Line shall be to weather of the Mark M2.

1.3 All marks shall be rounded to port.

1.4 The Starting / Finishing line may not be crossed on a penultimate leg, except in the case of a shortened down-wind finish.

1.5 The start/finishing line may be shortened or moved after the start of a race.

2. THE SCHEDULE OF RACES - FLAGSHIP STARTS.

Beneteau 31.7 will start with Cruiser 2.

Classes	Flags	Warning	Prep.	1 minute	Start
Cruiser 0, Cruiser 1	0, 1	10.25	10.26	10.29	10.30
Cruiser 2, Sigma 33	2, E	10.30	10.31	10.34	10.35
Cruiser 3, Shipman	3, W	10.35	10.36	10.39	10.40
Ruffian 23	U	10.40	10.41	10.44	10.45
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White Sail	5	10.50	10.51	10.54	10.55
Flag sequence		Class up	P up	P down	Class down

3. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

A change of course will be signalled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a vessel displaying the International Code Flag “C” and class flags if appropriate, with signals in accordance with RRS 33, accompanied by repeated short sound signals. The change will be signalled before the leading yacht has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position.

4. SHORTENING COURSE

The course may be shortened in two ways, as below. An announcement may be made on VHF channel 68.

4.1 Finish at the next rounding mark: Code flag “S” and Class flags, if appropriate, when displayed on a vessel flying a blue flag and two sound signals made, indicates that yachts of that class or classes shall finish at the next rounding mark. The finish line will be between the mark and a staff displaying flag S. Boats shall cross the finish line in the direction of the course from the preceding mark.

4.2 Finish at the start-finish line: Code flag “V” and Class flags, if appropriate, when displayed, with sound signals, on a vessel near one of the rounding marks, indicates that yachts of that class or classes, having rounded the mark in question, shall proceed directly to the normal start-finish line and cross it in the direction of the course from the mark where flag “V” was displayed. In the case of a downwind finish, competitors shall ensure that their sail numbers are visible to the committee boat. This amends RRS 32.2.

5. STARTING AND FINISHING LINE

5.1 The starting line will be between the main mast of the Race Committee Vessel displaying the burgee of the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club, and an Orange flag and the starting limit mark which may be a yellow or orange candy-striped inflatable mark or a pin type mark.

5.2 The Finish for Course Card B will be between the Committee Boat flying a Blue Flag and a limit mark, which may be a yellow or orange candy-striped inflatable mark or a pin type mark, unless the course is shortened as in 4.1 above.

Course Diagram:

Wing * * M1

*----- Start/Finish

* M2

Round Number:

- 1 M1 - Wing - M2
 - 2 M1 - Wing - M2
 - 3 M1 - Wing - M2
 - 4 M1 - Wing - M2
- Thence to the finishing line.