DUN LAOGHAIRE MOTOR YACHT CLUB



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DMYC Kish Race 2016 General Information & Sailing Instructions

GENERAL INFORMATION.:

TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

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

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.

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

- High Water: Sunday 25 September 07.23 a.m. local time, height 3.07 m
- Protests will be scheduled by the Sailing Secretary and will be held at the Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club as soon as possible after racing. To facilitate prize giving the protesting boat is requested to inform the protested boat(s) as soon as is possible.
- The prizes will be presented in the bar of the DMYC when final results are available.

SOCIAL INFORMATION

Hot food will be available after the race in the DMYC. A launch service will be available to and from the Marina (Channel 37/M1, call sign "DMYC Launch").

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. RULES

a. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 -2016-2 (RRS) will govern these races. The Additional Sailing Instructions for each race may further modify RRS and these Instructions.

b. Between the hours of sunset and sunrise, the Steering and Sailing Rules of the *International Rules for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea* will replace Part 2 of RRS.

2. LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in these races are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club (DMYC) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in these events. By participating in these events, each competitor agrees to release DMYC from any and all liability associated with such participation to the fullest extent permitted by law.

3. DISQUALIFICATION WITHOUT HEARING

This modifies RRS 63.1 and A5. The Race Committee will disqualify, without a hearing, a boat that

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(according to the Coast Guard, civil authorities or commercial vessel operators, or the Race Committee's observation):

- a. **Impedes the passage** of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway, or the passage of a vessel with limited manoeuvrability (reference: International and Inland Rules 9 and 18), or
- b. Finishes between the hours of sunset and sunrise without displaying **proper running lights** (reference: International and Inland Rules 20 and 25).

4. ELIGIBILITY

This race is open to monohull yachts, that conforms to appropriate Dublin Bay Safety regulations, or RORC Category IV

5. UNUSUAL DESIGNS; INSPECTION

The Race Committee reserves the right to inspect any entered boat, and to cancel the entry of a boat with any unusual arrangement in hull, rig, sails, ballast, or equipment that the Race Committee considers to be a potential hazard, or an attempt to violate or circumvent the intent of this document.

6. COURSE

The course will be a = Start, Kish Light to Port and finish.

7. START

The warning signal will be at 10:55 am.

The start will be from the DBSC Hut on the West Pier and an adjacent coloured starting mark – denoted by a colour displayed on the hut, and indicated by the roof mounted transit. Race will be started in accordance with RRS 26 Class flag will be "M" All yachts will start together.

8. FINISH

The finish will be between the orange finish mark and the Dublin Bay Hut, on a direct course from the Kish Lighthouse

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Any boat that retires from a race or does not finish within the time limit must contact the Race Committee as soon as possible on VHF channel 68, or by any other effective means. Other boats are requested to relay VHF transmissions if direct communication with the Race Committee is impossible.

Boats approaching the finish are requested to hail the Race Committee on VHF channel 68. Communication with Vessel Traffic Service or with commercial vessels about their movements shall not be construed as outside help under RRS 41.

10. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at hall area DMYC.

11. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

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12. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions: (AS PER DBSC.) Please note that there are traffic separation zones for commercial shipping across the course. Please treat these as usual and cross at approximately right angles giving way where necessary to commercial traffic.

13. TIME LIMITS

If no boat has passed the Kish light within 3 hours the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a). Boats failing to finish before 4.30 p.m. will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14. SHORTENING COURSE

If required a finishing line may be laid on the rhub line from the Kish to Scotsman's Bay, and the race finished at this point. This shall be communicated to the fleet on VHF channel 68.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 race.

16. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third party liability insurance

17. Safety

A personal flotation device (PFD) shall be worn by each competitor. A PFD of at least 50 N buoyancy is recommended

18. Prizes

Prizes based on corrected time based on ECHO Standard will be awarded to the first 3 finishers. The race organising committee reserves the right to allocate a handicap to boats not listed on the database, as it considers fair.

There may be some additional spot prizes.