



Irish National Championship

Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd July 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

This event is subject to the Covid-19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government and in the Host Club's Covid-19 event protocol document. All people associated with this event must comply with these conditions. These conditions may change as the event approaches and will influence the running/organisation/cancellation of this event.

The Organising Authority is Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club in association with the Irish Shipman Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of Irish Sailing, the Class rules of the Shipman Association, this Notice of Race (NoR), the SI (SI) and any changes thereto. In the event of any conflict between the NoR and the SI, the latter shall prevail.
- 1.2 The SI will be posted on the Irish Shipman Association website: <http://www.irishshipmanassociation.com/> no later than Wednesday 30th June 2021
- 1.3 The Championship is open to all Shipman 28 boats and whose owners/skippers are fully paid-up members of the Shipman Association. Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the Irish Shipman Association.
- 1.4 The boat must be helmed by the owner, or part owner who must be a regular helm of the boat in the current season and be a Member of the Shipman Association.
- 1.5 The crew on each boat shall consist of the team which normally crew that boat at club level or crew of equivalent skill and experience.
- 1.6 All boats will display the Shipman Burgee on the backstay while racing.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board,
In the DMYC & The Shipman National 2021 Event Email Group.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted on the official notice board, in the DMYC & The Shipman National 2021 Event Email Group, before 0900 hrs on the day, it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 In the event of a conflict between the NoR and the SI, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagpole at the DMYC.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES & Briefing

- 5.1 Friday 2nd July – Briefing at 10.30 in DMYC

Date	Time of 1st Warning Signal	Number of Races	High Water	Low Water
Friday 2 nd July	11.55hrs.	2	06:13 hrs	12:20 hrs
Saturday 3 rd July				
Sat - Race 1	11.55hrs.	1	07:09 hrs	13:24 hrs
Sat - Race 2 DBSC	14.30hrs	1		

The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

The Race Committee may run a third race on Friday or Saturday if the Committee deems it necessary, provided that the total number of races sailed does not exceed four.

The display of IC Numerical 3 at the end of the second race will signal that a third race is being run.

6. CLASS FLAG

- 6.1 Class flag for the Shipman Class will be Code Flag W.

7. RACE AREA

- 7.1 Dublin Bay South of the shipping channel.

8. THE COURSE

The Courses will be as follows:

8.1 **Fixed Mark Course as per the DBSC course card –
'Thursday Mac Lir Blue Fleet & Tuesday Combined Fleets 2021 Course Card 01'
Appendix A.**

IC Flag T flown from the hoist on the flagship indicates a Fixed Mark course will be sailed. A course letter, [A-Z], and a number will be displayed on the flagship at approximately 5 mins before the start and may be announced on the radio. The letter and number shall designate the course to be sailed as defined in the course card. This changes RRS 27.1

8.2 **Platonic Course using designated DBSC fixed marks - Appendix B.**

B1 DBSC Racing Marks

B2 Yacht Racing Marks Bearings 2021

IC Flag R flown from the hoist on the flagship indicates that a Platonic Course using designated DBSC fixed marks will be sailed.

A red or green flag will be displayed to show which way the marks are to be rounded. The marks to be rounded will be identified and the order of rounding will be displayed on the Committee Boat at approximately 5 mins before the start and may be announced on the radio. This changes RRS 27.1

8.3 **Race 4 - Fixed Mark Course as per the DBSC course card –
'Saturday Blue/Red Fleet Mac Lir card 01' Appendix C.**

The starting line will be between the red and white staff or the main mast of the vessel displaying the DBSC Club burgee, and a Blue pennant at the starboard end of the line and the port end starting mark or a rib displaying an orange flag. [this changes appendix S 9.1]

Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

A boat starting less than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored 'Did Not Start' without a hearing. [this changes RRS A3 and A5]

In addition, the race committee may, if possible, not less than 30 seconds after the start, broadcast individual OCS boats by sail number by VHF. Failure to do so or the order of the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress [amends RRS 62.1(a)]

The race committee may, no later than three minutes before the start of any class, adjust the starting line by moving either end. [Amends RRS 27.1]

8.4 **DBSC Saturday Combined Blue and Red fleet Course**

All Starts and Finishes will be from a DBSC Committee vessel. It is intended but not definite that this may be Mac Lir.

Blue and Red Fleets will use course Card 1 'Mac Lir Combined Blue and Red Fleets Saturday'.

Combined Blue and Red Fleet Saturdays – All marks to be rounded or passed in the order shown on the Course Card.

Combined Blue and Red Fleets Saturday – Marks in Red to be rounded to Port and Marks in Green to be rounded to Starboard

Combined Blue and Red Fleets Saturday – A letter A-R and a numeral to indicate the course to be sailed as per the appropriate course card will be displayed at least 3 minutes before that starting signal for the class. [Amends RRS 27.1]

9. **MARKS**

9.1 Start/Finish mark will be a candy-striped.

9.2 Fixed mark Course and Platonic Course will use DBSC fixed marks.

10. **THE START**

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel displaying a DMYC burgee and the course side of the starting mark.

10.2 When Rule 30.4 (Black Flag Rule) applies, and following a general recall, the Race Committee may, in addition to the requirements of Rule 30.4, broadcast sail numbers on the designated VHF channel.

10.3 When the Race Committee determines that a boat is OCS, the Race Committee may broadcast the boat's sail number on the designated VHF channel, no earlier than one minute after the starting signal. Failure to broadcast, or errors in the broadcast, will not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

10.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes Rule 63.1, A4 & A5.

11 **SHORTENING COURSES**

11.1 The Race Committee may shorten the course under Rule 32.

12. **THE FINISH**

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a Race Committee Vessel and the finishing mark.

12.2 When the Blue Flag is displayed no boat shall pass through the finishing line, in either direction, except to finish. Any boat in breach of this SI shall be scored as DNF without a hearing. This changes Rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

12.3 For the Fixed Mark Courses and the Platonic Courses the Race Committee finishing boat for this course will be positioned approximately to windward of the last mark of the course.

13. **TIME LIMIT**

13.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course as required by Rule 28 and finish is 2 hours.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

13.3 Any boats in the Shipman Class in White Sails will be allowed an extended finish of 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes.

14. PENALTIES

14.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to one turn

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and Requests for Redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under Rule 61.1(b).

15.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

- a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes Rule 66.

15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2.

15.7 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply. If a party is not present at an arbitration meeting, any party that was present may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time until the Protest committee has completed taking evidence. This changes RRS T1 (a).

16. SCORING

16.1 RRS Appendix A4 using the Low Point scoring system shall apply

16.2 A boat that did not start, did not finish or that retired after finishing shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than that of the total number of boats confirmed at registration. A boat disqualified shall be scored additional points equal to 5 or more than the number of boats confirmed at registration. This changes RRS A4.2.

16.3 The Championship shall comprise four races and one race shall be sufficient to provide a result. If all four races are completed, each boats series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If only three races are completed all race scores will count unless the Race committee decides otherwise.

16.4 The Irish Shipman Championship and Shipman Handicap Race Series are run on the following basis:

- The Low Point System RRS Appendix A.4.1 shall apply to the Irish Shipman Championship
- The Handicap Series will run concurrently with the Championship and separate prizes will be awarded for the Handicap results. The handicapping of boats shall apply as fixed by the Race Committee and Handicapper. The Shipman Race Committee and Handicapper reserve the right to alter the appropriate handicaps before and during the Championship.
- A boat may not win a Scratch and Handicap prize in the same race or series. The Scratch series shall take precedence.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.2 Competing boats shall keep clear of commercial shipping.

18. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of boats, hulls or sails will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee
- 18.2 No boat shall use the sail number of another boat that is competing in the event.

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 19.1 Boats may be checked at any time at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 19.2 Each boat, with her sails and equipment, shall be available for inspection as stated in the Notice of Race.

20. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 20.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the prior written permission of the race committee. Any boat permitted by the race committee to be removed from the water to inspect damage and/or effect repairs shall not be scrubbed or cleaned below the waterline other than is necessary to effect repairs and must be re-launched as soon as possible.

21. DIVING EQUIPMENT

- 21.1 Underwater breathing apparatus shall not be used between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

22. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 22.1 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.
- 22.2 The race committee may make broadcasts of course location and Race Signals on:

VHF Channel 68 for **races 1, 2 & 3** from 'The Goose' the DMYC Committee Boat.

VHF Channel 74 for **race 4** from 'Mac Lir' the DBSC Committee Boat.

Failure to transmit or receive such broadcasts shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

24. PRIZES

- First Race: Scratch; The O' Connor Cup
Handicap; The Viking Cup
White sails;
- Second Race: Scratch; The Olle Enderlein Plate
Handicap; The Whiterock Plate
White sails;
- Third Race: Scratch; The Commodore Trophy
Handicap; The Vice Commodore Trophy
White sails;
- Fourth Race: Scratch; The Tony Geraghty Memorial Trophy (picture)
Handicap; The Shipman Trophy (wheel)
White sails
- Overall White Sails: Donal O'Sullivan Trophy

All major trophies are awarded on an annual basis and are to be held by the winners until 2022, additional prizes for placed boats in individual races or overall may be awarded at the discretion of the Committee.

25. DISCLAIMERS 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 event. DMYC, including its officers' employees and agents, the race management team, the support boats and anyone helping to run the event shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the owner/competitor or crew as a result of their taking part in the event.

25. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 [million] per incident or the equivalent.

List of Appendices:

Appendix A:

'Thursday Mac Lir Blue Fleet & Tuesday Combined Fleets 2021 Course Card 01'

Appendix B:

B1 DBSC Racing Marks

B2 Yacht Racing Marks Bearings 2021

Appendix C:

'Saturday Blue/Red Fleet Mac Lir 2021 Coarse Card 01'

Appendix D:

Safety Plan - DMYC