

IRISH FIREBALL ASSOCIATION **AUTUMN OPEN Championship DMYC -** Oct 21st & 22nd 2023



NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is The Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club (DMYC) in association with the Irish Fireball Association.

2. RULES

This event will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the International Fireball Class Rules in force at the time of the event, this Notice of Race (except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions). Rule 25 of the class rules, 'propulsion' may apply. Changes to this will be posted on the Notice Board.

2.1. Limitation of Equipment

International Fireball Class Rule 23 'Limitations of Equipment' SHALL NOT apply to this event.

2.2. Changes to Racing Rules

The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) may be changed in accordance with RRS 86.1(b).

3. IDENTIFICATION

International Fireball Class Rule 20.8 is amended as follows: Subject to the approval of the Race Committee a boat chartered or loaned for the event may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the event (References RRS 77, Appendix G).

4. ADVERTISING

The event is designated a Category C event in accordance with Appendix 1. The Organizing Authority may require competitors to display Event Sponsors advertising material as prescribed under Appendix.1 and International Fireball Class Rule 24.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The Regatta is open to boats of the International Fireball Class whose helm and crew are members of a National Fireball Class Association recognised by Fireball International. Proof of membership shall be by means of a Fireball International membership card and boat sticker.

5.1. Entry Procedure

Entry will be on line using the entry form on www.dmyc.ie

5.3. Entry Fee

The entry fee will be €60.

A reduced entry fee of €30 will apply for a youth boat under the age of 22 (average of the helm and crew) or full-time students under 25.

5.4. Entry Disclaimer

It is the Competitor's decision to enter the event or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the event is at their sole exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry to the Regatta competitors shall indemnify Fireball International, the Irish Fireball Association, DMYC, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta. Competitors shall acknowledge that The Irish Fireball Association, DMYC, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.

5.5. Insurance

All boats shall have adequate third-party insurance cover of not less than €3,000,000 (or the equivalent thereof in any other convertible currency) for any accident. All owners / competitors who submit an online entry form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

6. RACING AREA

Racing shall take place in the Seapoint area of Dublin Bay or in Dun Laoghaire Harbour, depending on conditions.

7. SCHEDULE

Six races are scheduled over the two days of the event, Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd October, with a maximum of 4 races on one day.

No race will start after 14:30 on the Sunday (except to restart a race which was subject to a general recall).

Regatta Briefing: Saturday at 10:00

Warning Signal: 11:30 on Saturday and 11:00 on Sunday.

The schedule of all subsequent races as directed in the Sailing Instructions.

8. SCORING & PRIZES

The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will be used. Rule A5.3 will apply.

If less than four races are completed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If four or more races are completed, each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

Prizes will be awarded commensurate with fleet size.

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