



NOTICE OF RACE

SB20 Northern Championships 2023 Sprint Racing incl. Speed Clinic Lough Ree Yacht Club,

Ballyglass, Hillquarter, Coosan, Athlone. N37 K257

Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April 2023

The Organising Authority (OA) is Lough Ree Yacht Club in association with the SB20 Ireland Class Association.

The notation (DP) in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

1.1 Racing is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 **COVID STATEMENT:** The event will be run in accordance with COVID-19 rules, Government and Irish Sailing (IS) guidelines as applicable at the time of the event.

[DP] By participating in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the COVID-19 procedures of the OA published on the official notice board.

1.3 The following SB20 Class Rules do not apply:

- Class Rule C.5.1 (3) (floating throwing line attached to the stern)
- Class Rule C.5.2 (17) (horseshoe lifebuoy).
- Class Rule C.5.2 (18) (anchor and chain).

1.4 Class Rule C.5.1(7) will not apply and is replaced with "Two paddles of combined minimum weight not less than 1kg." This weight requirement will be strictly policed. Added weight will not be treated as part of the paddle.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

2.1 The SIs will be available on <https://www.lryc.ie/event/> by Friday 14th April 2023.

3 COMMUNICATIONS

3.1 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF marine channels.

3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to registered boats of the SB20 class. An owner of each boat entered must be a member of the class association.
- 4.2 Any changes of helm or crew, after registration for the event, must be applied for and agreed by the Race Committee in advance of the change being made.
- 4.3 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews, who are under 18 years of age, must submit declarations signed by their parent or guardian.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and making payment online at <https://www.lryc.ie/event/sb20-northern-championships/>
- 4.5 Entries will be accepted until Saturday 15th April with an early entry discount applicable as below.

	EARLY ENTRY before Monday 2nd Apr including DISCOUNT (€25)	LATE ENTRY Until Sat 15 th Apr 11.00
Entry fee	€115.00	€140.00
Entirely crewed by under 30s	€70.00	€95.00

- 4.6 The entry fee includes launching, berthing, lift out of boats and dinner. Entry is non-refundable.

5 REGISTRATION & CREW WEIGH-IN

- 5.1 Registration, inclusive of Insurance Declaration via digital signature, will be online only, from Friday 14th
- 5.2 There will be no crew weigh-in.

6 SCHEDULE

Date	Description	Time/s
Friday 14th April	Lift In	15.30 to 17.30
Saturday 15th April	Lift In	08.30 to 11.30
	Speed Clinic See Below at 6.1**	10:00
	Competitors Briefing (in front of Clubhouse)	12.00
	First Warning Signal	13.55
Sunday 16th April	First Warning Signal	10.55
	Last Warning Signal	None after 14.30
	Lift Out for visiting boats	Immediately after last race
	Prizegiving in front of clubhouse	15.30

- 6.1 A Speed Clinic hosted by Davy Taylor will commence at 10.00AM on Saturday, with a 10-15 Min per boat walkaround. Boats can be in or out of water for this session but all boats must be launched before 12:30.
- 6.2 With the exception of the first scheduled race which will not be brought forward, the race committee reserves the right to alter the schedule of races as they see fit to ensure enough races are completed.
- 6.3 It is intended that the Championship will consist of twelve races, with 6 on each day.

7 LIFT IN, BERTHING AND LIFT OUT

- 7.1 Craneage and berthing are included in the entry fee and will take place as set out in NoR 6 above.
- 7.2 All boats, are required to be berthed overnight on L.R.Y.C. pontoons or moorings. Competitors are advised to bring adequate warps and fenders.
- 7.3 Boats shall remain in the water from the warning signal of the first race until the finish of the final race of the event unless, having requested to do so in writing, the request to lift out is granted by the race committee.
- 7.4 Lift out facilities for visiting boats will be provided immediately after racing on Sunday 15th April 2023.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION & ADVERTISING

- 8.1 Any changes to sail numbers shall be requested in writing and approved by the Race Committee.
- 8.2 Boats may be subject to scrutiny before or after any race at the discretion of the Class Measurer or his deputy. The Class Measurer may inspect any boat at any time, and competitors are requested to comply, as far as is reasonable and practical, with the Class Measurer's requests, **which may include the weighing of boats (Drawn by Lottery)**. Failure to do so and/or Boats evidenced at the time of inspection not to comply with Class Rules, may be liable to protest by the Class Measurer and/or the Race Committee.
- 8.3 The Race Committee may require competitors to apply sponsor stickers to their boom and/or hull for the duration of the event.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Racing will be on the waters of Lough Ree to the North of the islands situated just north of L.R.Y.C. The courses will be of the Windward/Leeward type with further exact details specified in the SIs.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 The two-turn penalty is changed to a one turn penalty (This changes RRS 44.1).

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 11.2 There will be no discards.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 The presentation of prizes will take place as soon as possible following the last race of the event.
- 12.2 Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 boats Overall.
- 12.3 Informal prizes may be awarded for other races.

13 LIABILITIES & RISK STATEMENTS

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, (Decision to Race).
- 13.2 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.
 - g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any specific risks at this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- 13.3 Lough Ree Yacht Club and SB20 Ireland Class Association, together with their officers, members and volunteers, will not accept liability for the loss of life or property, or personal injury, or damage caused by or arising out of the SB20 Northern Championship 2023, including any pre-championship training at the championship site, and competitors take part in the championship entirely at their own risk.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured for the duration of the event with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3 million per event or the equivalent.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 For further information, contact Kevin Fenton kevin@glassonfarm.com or on +353 86 807 4087

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

OTHER EVENT AND VENUE INFORMATION

TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

Visiting helms and crews competing in the event, and their guests, are granted Temporary Membership of Lough Ree Yacht Club for the duration of the event and will be bound by the rules of the Club. The Club reserves the right to withdraw such temporary membership.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

It is anticipated there will be an event dinner after sailing on the Saturday evening, this will be hosted in a local restaurant in Glasson, Co Westmeath.

SUSTAINABILITY

This event is registered with Sailors for the Sea Clean Regattas.

As part of our commitment to reduce the environmental impact of our Club, competitors, volunteers, race officers and all stakeholders will be asked to follow guidelines that include, but are not limited to:

- a. Boats washed down prior to travel to the venue and before leaving to avoid transfer of invasive species.
- b. No trash left in the boat park which could blow into the water.
- c. Personal provision of reusable water bottles, bags, and food containers as no single use plastic bottles will be available at the venue; (refill points will be available).
- d. Disposal in proper waste receptacles for recycling, composting and refill.
- e. Cleaning boats with water only as deck soaps contain phosphates and nitrates that can dramatically affect water quality and can harm aquatic life.

ACCOMODATION

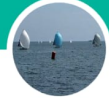
Excellent camping facilities and parking for Camper Vans etc are available at the Club.

Camping; Caravans & Camper Vans / Cruisers.

Please note the main kitchen will NOT be available but the Camping kitchen (limited facilities) will be. The Club barbecues (gas /coal) may be used at any time. There are also electrical sockets available for boiling kettles etc.

B&B accommodation is available locally and Hotels are available in and around Athlone. Full details: <https://www.lryc.ie/accomodation/>

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