



LOUGH REE YACHT CLUB
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SB20 National Championships 2023

Lough Ree Yacht Club,

Ballyglass, Hillquarter, Coosan, Athlone. N37 K25

Friday 8th to Sunday 10th September 2023

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

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

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation '[DP]' at the beginning of a rule means that the rule is subject to a discretionary penalty

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, the SB20 Class Rules, this Notice of Race (NoR), the Sailing Instructions (SIs) and any amendments thereto. In the event of a conflict between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs will prevail.
- 1.2 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.
- 1.3 Class Rule C.5.2 (17) will not apply (horseshoe lifebuoy).
- 1.4 Class Rule C.5.2 (18) will not apply (anchor and line).
- 1.5 All boats must comply with the safety prescriptions set out in the Class Rules.
- 1.6 As per RRS 1.2 lifejackets or other adequate personal buoyancy must be always worn by all competitors whilst afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2 The SIs will be posted on or before Thursday 7th September and will be made available on one or more of the following platforms: the LRYC club website, SB20 Ireland website for competitors to print if required, in advance of the event and on the event WhatsApp group.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the front window of the clubhouse and may also be posted using the event WhatsApp Group "SB20 NATIONALS 2023" which can be joined by scanning the QR code:



or by using the link :

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GtdQzOedSF6DCaGj2RbtzD>

- 3.2 [DP] Boats shall be equipped with a marine VHF radio in working order capable of communicating on Channels 9, 11 and 71 the primary purpose of which is to monitor the Race Committee, unless otherwise dictated by Class Rules. The channel used will be noted in the SIs
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This includes use of mobile phones.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to **registered boats of the SB20 class**. One crew member on board must be a member of the class association. During registration evidence may be required that the boat complies with Class membership requirements.
- 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.
- 4.4 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews who are under 18 years of age must submit declarations signed by their parent or guardian.
- 4.3 Entrants may be required to sign a declaration of compliance with all Class Rules and eligibility criteria.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entries will be accepted until Friday 8th September with an early entry discount applicable as below. The entry fee includes launching, berthing and lift out of visiting boats and is non-refundable.

Fees are as follows:	EARLY ENTRY DISCOUNT €25 Before Friday 18 th August	LATE ENTRY Up to Friday 8 th September
Entry fee	€ 170.00	€ 195.00
Entirely crewed by under 30s	€ 125.00	€ 150.00

- 5.2 Online entry is available on the LRYC website, direct link: <https://www.lryc.ie/event/sb20-nationals/>

- 5.3 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the race committee.

6 Not used

7 ADVERTISING

- 7.1 The race committee may require competitors to apply sponsor stickers to their boom for the duration of the event. Additional sponsors will be announced closer to the event.

8 Not used

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 Registration will take place at the Race Office in LRYC at the following times:

18.00 to 20.00 on Thursday 7th September 2023.

09.00 to 10.15 on Friday 8th September 2023.

- 9.2 Competitors' Briefing will be held at 10.30 on Friday 8th September 2023. The briefing will take place at the LRYC clubhouse.

- 9.3 It is proposed to race 10 races as scheduled below:

	Registration & Lift in / out	Briefing & Prizegiving	First Warning Signal	Number of Races
Thursday	19.00-20.00			
Friday	09:00-10.15	10.30	12:30	Up to 4
Saturday			11:30	Up to 4
Sunday	After racing	As soon as possible after racing	11:00	Up to 4

- 9.4 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30

- 9.5 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.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1 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. 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.

11 Not used

12 VENUE

12.1 **Addendum A** shows the approximate sailing area.

13 COURSES

13.1 The courses will be of the Windward/Leeward type with further exact details specified in the SIs.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Penalties will be as described in the SIs.

15 SCORING

15.1 One race is required to complete the series.

15.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

15.3 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16 & 17 Not used.

18 LAUNCHING, BERTHING AND LIFT OUT

18.1 Launching and berthing are included in the entry fee and will take place as set out in paragraph 9.3 above.

18.2 All boats, are required to be berthed overnight on LRYC pontoons or moorings.

Competitors are advised to bring adequate warps and fenders.

18.3 Boats shall remain in the water from the start of the warning signal of the first race until the finish of final race of the event unless, having requested to do so in writing, the request is granted by the race committee.

18.4 Lift out facilities for visiting boats will be provided immediately after racing on Sunday 10th. September 2023.

19, 20 & 21 Not used.

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 **RRS 3 states:** 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

22.2 LRYC and SB20 Ireland, 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 National Championship 2023, including any pre-championship training at the championship site, and competitors take part in the championship entirely at their own risk.

22.3 The establishment of the NoR and the SIs in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of competitors being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat they are sailing. Participating in a race or to continue racing is the responsibility of each competitor (See *RRS 3*).

23 INSURANCE

- 23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3m per incident or the equivalent.
- 23.2 A competitor is wholly and exclusively responsible for his or her personal accident and health insurance.
- 23.3 A skipper is wholly and exclusively responsible for his or her third-party liability insurance on the boat that he or she is sailing.

24 PRIZES

- 24.1 Prizes will be given for First, Second and Third Overall and to the top 3 in the Silver Fleet.

25 FURTHER 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

There will be a barbeque on the Friday Night and Dinner, sponsored by SB20 Ireland, after sailing on Saturday evening in the club house.

26 SUSTAINABILITY

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 of 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.

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

For further information please contact kevin@glassonfarm.com or Kevin on +353 86 807 4087

ADDENDUM A

