



## Irish National Championship

Friday 30th and Saturday 31st August 2019

# Notice of Race

### 1. Organising Authority (OA0)

- 1.1 The OA is Howth Yacht Club CLG, in association with the Shipman Association.
- 1.2 All entries and enquiries should be addressed to:  
The Event Coordinator (Emmet Dalton)  
Shipman 2019  
office@hyc.ie

### 2. Rules and Eligibility

- 2.1 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 Sailing Instructions (SI) and any changes thereto. In the event of any conflict between the NoR and the SI, the latter shall prevail.
- 2.2 The SI will be posted on the HYC website no later than Wednesday 28th August 2019.
- 2.3 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 OA.
- 2.4 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.
- 2.5 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.
- 2.6 All boats will display the Shipman Burgee on the backstay while racing.

### 3.0 Entry

- 3.1 Entries shall be made online at hyc.ie. The entry fee is €85.00.
- 3.2 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.
- 3.3 Entry is conditional upon compliance with the Declaration and Acknowledgements contained in the Championship Entry Form and Declaration by all competitors.

#### **4. Schedule of Races, Registration and Briefing**

##### **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

Registration from 09.00 hours. Briefing 10.30 hours

H.W. Howth: **12.18 hours**

Two races back-to-back

First warning signal; 11.55 hours.

Warning signal for race 2; as soon as practicable after the finish of race 1.

##### **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019**

H.W. Howth: **13.05 hours.**

Two races back to back

Warning signal for race 3; 11.55 hours.

Warning signal for race 4; as soon as practicable after the finish of race 3.

#### **5. Racing Area and Courses**

- 5.1 Races will be sailed in the waters north of Howth Harbour. Starts may be up to 3 miles from Howth Harbour.
- 5.2 It is mandatory that each boat shall have a working VHF radio on board.

#### **6. Scoring**

- 6.1 RRS Appendix A4 using the Low Point scoring system shall apply.
- 6.2 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 the number of boats confirmed at registration. A boat disqualified shall be scored additional points equal to 5 more than the number of boats confirmed at registration. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 6.3 The Championship shall comprise four races. One race shall constitute a series. If four races are completed, each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores discarding her worst score. No discard applies if only three races are completed.
- 6.4 The Irish Shipman Championship and Shipman Handicap Race are run on the following basis;
  - (a) 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.

## 7. Prizes

7.1 A boat may not win a Scratch and Handicap prize in the same race or series. The Scratch series shall take precedence.

7.2 Prize list

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

Best new entrant: Donal O'Sullivan Trophy

## 8. Competitors' responsibility and Safety

No responsibility shall be accepted by Howth Yacht Club CLG., the Shipman Association, the Organising Authority, its members, servants or agents, nor those officials or members connected with the event, for any loss, damage, injury or other claim of whatever nature howsoever arising or caused in connection with participation in, or intended participation in this event.

The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner(s) or the owner's representative, whose obligation it is to ensure that the boat is fully sound, seaworthy, manned by an experienced crew and equipped with all the necessary safety gear. Neither the NoR, SI nor any action of the OA in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner(s) or the owner's representative.

Attention is drawn to RRS- Part 1 Fundamental Rules.

Boat owners and competing crews shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage of injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring and shall maintain third party insurance cover of not less than one million, five hundred thousand (1,500,000) Euro and shall produce a valid certificate of insurance on request.

International Code flag Y may be flown at any start in accordance with RRS 40 and if flown then it is mandatory that all competitors wear approved personal buoyancy. However, it is strongly recommended by the Race Committee that all competitors wear personal buoyancy and a safety harness as appropriate

## **9. Accommodation and Social**

- 9.1 Information on local accommodation is available on the Club website - [www.hyc.ie](http://www.hyc.ie)
- 9.2 A Championship dinner will be held in Howth Yacht Club on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 1930. Tickets, at €35.00 each, may be booked on the online entry portal. Bar menu will be available on Friday evening.
- 9.3. Competitors are granted temporary membership of HYC for the duration of the Event subject to the Club rules for withdrawing or withholding such membership.

## **10. Marina**

- 10.1 Marina berths will be available free of charge to participants from Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019.
- 10.2 It is advisable to contact the HYC Marina Office approaching Howth, to receive berthing instructions. HYC Marina is contactable on Channel 37A or Channel 80 or on +353-1-8392 777
- 10.3 Competitors are advised to bring adequate fenders as boats may be rafted alongside.