

Welcome to Howth Yacht Club!

We're here at last after many weeks and months wondering would the event happen at all. The racing will be close but the interaction ashore needs to be a bit less close than normal. Nobody likes rules getting in the way of their fun (Some of the fleet have attested to that over the last few years) but we've put a few guidelines in place to make everyone feel safer and more comfortable.



First warning signal on Friday is at 1730, so we expect to see people arriving during the late morning and early afternoon.

We need to know who is using the Club facilities. In advance of your arrival, please complete the Daily Skipper and Crew Form. You must do this daily. Click the link in the Open Events section of the HYC website, as below



To keep the hardstanding and crane area as clear as possible, please call Fergus to tell him when you're ready to come through the gate. We don't want cars milling about the dinghy pen for obvious reasons, so the Club forklift will tow you in. You're responsible for touching your own trailer hitch.



Rig up and then shout at Gus to tell him you're ready for scrutineering and weighing. Please don't come to the crane pad until you are asked to. Your boat should be presented in sailing condition, with no water in the bilges. No covers, sailing bags, fenders, etc. You know the score!



It is mandatory to wear a hard hat and yellow vest when you're on the crane pad. Please bring your own or the Marina Office can sell a hat/vest combo for €10. No sharing of gear please.



We're still being clean and green!

- Skip the suds altogether and don't wash your boat with chemicals after the journey.
- Recycle bins are at the top of the Marina bridge.
- Sailing Instructions are online. There will be no hard copies provided.
- There is a filtered water dispenser inside the pedestrian gate. Please reuse your water bottles.



Each boat will be allocated a marina berth for the event. To keep us apart, there will be no rafting of boats. You'll need to bring your fenders and warps.



The changing rooms and showers are open. There is a limit of 5 people in the changing room at any one time and one person per shower!



Sandra and Frank will be looking after our food and drink this weekend. Table service is provided, so no need to go anywhere near the bar. Sit back, relax and share war stories.



Results will be online only. See the HYC homepage <u>https://hyc.ie/</u>

Big red "Results" button on the top right. If you need help using it, you're probably not in the right sport.



We don't want to bring together a protest committee to resolve issues, so arbitration will be available. Read App T of the RRS. Arbitration allows for post-race scoring penalties instead of disqualification and can also simplify the resolution by avoiding a protest hearing. Special prizes will be awarded for those who chose the arbitration route!



You're only derigging a Squib, not the Cutty Sark, so don't race for the crane pontoon on Sunday afternoon. As with launching, you'll be called to the crane area individually. We will take all your prizes away if you're not going to play nicely. Kinsale boats to be lifted before RNIYC/Killyleagh YC boats.



- o Fenders
- Hardhat and vest
- Print your own sailing instructions if you need a hard copy
- o Complete Skipper and Crew Form
- \circ Check in with Fergus when you're ready to be towed into the Club