



Women at the Helm Racing

Friday 29th August 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

- The Organising Authority (OA) is Howth Yacht Club CLG.
- 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).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of Irish Sailing and the relevant Class Rules.
- 1.2. HYC Female any membership category must helm the boat
- 1.3. Male crews are permitted up to a max 2 males on a 4-5 person boat or 1 males on a two-person boat

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions will be available online on the HYC website no later than Thursday 28th Aug 2025

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is beside the Marina Office and via a What's App group

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Event is open to the following classes
 - Puppeteers
 - Club J80's
 - Howth 17's
 - Squibs
 - Melges 15
 - J24
 - PY 2 person dinghies e.g. IDRA 14, GP14
- 4.2. Eligible boats and individuals may enter the Event by registering online at <https://hyc.ie/open-Events> before Monday 25th August Midday.
- 4.3. To be considered an entry in the Event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

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4.4. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA subject to a late fee.

5. FEES €10 per sailor)

Category	Early Entry Fee before July 4 th midday
Single- entry (without a boat)	€10.00
Double-handed boats	€20.00
Howth 17's	€40
Puppeteers / J80's	€50

6. – 8. **Not Used.**

9. SCHEDULE

9.1

Date	Event	Time
Friday 29 th Aug	Registration & allocations	16:00pm – 16:45pm
..	Depart Moorings & Marina	17:00pm
..	Scheduled First Warning Signal	17:40pm
..	Subsequent Races	Immediately after preceding races

9.2. **Three** races are scheduled for each class.

9.3. No race will be started after 20:30, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonment of a race where the first warning signal was made before 20:25

10. NOT USED

11. NOT USED

12. VENUE

12.1. The Race Area will be in the waters Northwest of Howth Harbour

13. COURSES

13.1. The courses to be sailed will be defined in the SI.

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15. SCORING

15.1. TBC at the briefing

15.2. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

16. DATA PROTECTION

16.1. Competitors give their consent to the OA to use or to license the use of their name, comments, photographs and likeness as it sees fit for the promotion of the Event. The OA reserves the right to uses or to license the use of any images and sound recording during the Event free of charge.

17. RISK STATEMENT

17.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'
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 organizer 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 risks specific to 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;

18. INSURANCE

18.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid and adequate third-party liability insurance

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19. PRIZES

19.1. Prizes will be awarded for based on the number of entries in each class

19.2. In addition the HYC WATH trophies will be presented to the overall

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

12.1. Hospitality

A BBQ and music will be provided after the racing and all are encouraged to bring their friends and family to enjoy the event

12.2 Windy Day Plan

There is a full Plan B should the conditions result in sailing cancelation so prizes will be awarded based on the Plan B activities if necessary.

12.3 Contacts

The Regatta Organising Committee and Organising Authority may be contacted at:

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