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The Organising Authority (OA) is the National Yacht Club in association with the Royal Ocean Racing Club (RORC)

Wednesday 7th – Saturday 10th June 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES AND REGULATIONS

1.1 Racing Rules of Sailing

The race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The prescriptions of Irish Sailing will apply.

1.2 Offshore Special Regulations

The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR), Monohulls Cat 3 with Category 2 Life Raft and any amendments thereto for 2023 will apply. Where Offshore Special Regulations cannot be met, the OA may accept an alternative.

1.3 IRPCAS

Between local sunset and sunrise, the rules of RRS Part 2 shall cease to be applicable and shall be replaced IRPCAS (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea). Between the times of local sunset and sunrise a boat shall take a scoring penalty as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

1.4 Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Eligibility - The Boat

The race is open to seaworthy boats which comply with the Rules and Regulations described in this Notice of Race and which are manned by an adequate number of experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather and which: -

- are of monohull construction with a minimum length overall of 30ft.
- ii) have a valid 2023 IRC Rating certificate.
- iii) have a minimum SSS Numeral of 15 or STIX of 23.
- iv) comply with the requirements of the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for races of OSR Category 3 Monohulls with a Category 2 life raft and AIS Transponder;









2.2 Eligibility - The Competitors

2.2.1 Shoreside Contact

Each boat shall nominate a Shoreside Contact. This person must be available on the phone number(s) supplied to the OA throughout the duration of racing and shall not be a Competitor.

2.2.2 Crew List

The Person in Charge of each entry will be required to file a crew list and emergency shore contact details at registration [DP].

2.2.3 Training Requirements

There are basic and First Aid training requirements for Category 3 Races; see section 6 of the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for full details.

2.3 Classes

The race is open to the following classes:

IRC 1 TCC >1.025

IRC 2 TCC 1.000-1.025

IRC 3 TCC < 1.000,

IRC Cruiser

IRC Two Handed

All boats will be scored in IRC overall and their IRC classes.

2.4 Minimum Crew numbers

The minimum crew on any boat shall be three apart from as allowed under NoR 2.7 Two-Handed.

2.5 Number of crew and Weight

IRC Rule 22.4 is amended to read "There are no limits on the number of crew and crew weight. This is subject to the number of crew being limited to the maximum capacity of the liferaft(s) carried on the boat."

2.6 IRC Cruiser - Furling Headsail

Boats entered in the IRC Cruiser class shall have a furling headsail in addition to the requirements in NOR 2.1 & 2.2.

2.7 Two-Handed

All Two-Handed entries must satisfy the committee that they have suitable and adequate experience and that their boat is appropriately organised for two-handed sailing.









2.8 Automatic and Wind-vane devices for Steering

Automatic and wind-vane devices for steering are permitted (this changes RRS 52).

2.9 Rating Deadline

Boats shall hold valid IRC Rating certificate on the Rating Deadline of 1700hrs on Wednesday 31st May 2023. Boats are not required to submit a copy of their IRC certificate to the OA. Changes to Ratings and Class certificates will only be accepted after the Rating Deadline in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the OA. Every boat racing shall have on board a current valid signed copy of the Rating.

2.10 OSR COMPLIANCE

Responsibility for compliance rests with the Person in Charge. However, the OA will endeavour to help Competitors to understand the OSR and reserves the right to conduct an OSR inspection on any boat at any time. The entrant shall complete an OSR Category 3 Checklist (available on www.d2drace.ie) and declaration stating that the boat complies with the World Sailing Special Offshore Regulations and return to sailing@nyc.ie by Friday 2nd June 2023.

3. ENTRY and FEES

3.1 Entry Limit

The total number of entries in the Race is restricted to 50 boats. The OA may increase this at its discretion subject to the availability of berths in Dingle Harbour.

3.2 Entry Fee

Entries of eligible boats shall be made online through www.d2drace.ie paying the entry fee of €400.

Early bird fee - the fee before Friday 31st March 2023 shall be discounted to €320.

The closing date for entries is Friday 26th May 2023.

3.3 Late Entry

Entries after the Closing Date and at least 48 hours before the start may be accepted on payment of an additional sum of half the standard entry fee.

3.4 Entry Cancellation

Cancellations by competitors before the 12th May 2023 will be eligible for a full refund of the race entry fee. Cancellations after 12th May 2023 will be eligible for a refund of 50% of the standard race entry fee.

The entry fee will be refunded in full should the OA cancel or reject an entry.

4. SCHEDULE

Wednesday 07 June – 0800-1100 Registration - National Yacht Club, Dun Laoghaire 1130 Briefing









1355 Race Warning Signal

Saturday 10 June 1900 Prizegiving – Dingle – venue to be confirmed.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be displayed on the race website prior to registration.

Note: Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions; the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. (this changes RRS63.7)

6. THE COURSE

The course shall be from the start in the vicinity of Dun Laoghaire Harbour leaving Muglins, Tuskar Rock, Barrels Light Buoy, Bore Rocks Buoy, Coningbeg Light Buoy, Red Bank Buoy, Fastnet Rock, Gull Rock (off Bull Rock), Washer woman Rock (off Great Skellig), and Great Skellig to starboard, to the finishing line off Dingle Harbour.

7. TAKING A PENALTY (RRS 44)

The penalty for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 shall be a Two Turns Penalty as permitted and described in RRS 44.2. When the right-of- way rules of IRPCAS apply (between the hours of local sunset and local sunrise), the penalty for a breach shall be a scoring penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3. Penalties shall be 10 minutes added to a boats corrected time. A scoring penalty shall be declared on the boats Declaration Form. This adds to RRS 44.3.

8. COMMUNICATION, TRACKERS, AIS

Mandatory reporting procedures during the race will be given in the Sailing Instructions.

Boats shall carry a YB Tracker Unit supplied by the organising authority for the duration of the race. The cost of the tracker is included in the entry fee, but a refundable deposit, which will be set against a credit card, shall be payable prior to registration.

Boats shall carry an AIS Transponder. Competitors shall ensure that the racing name of the boat is transmitted rather than just the MMSI number. Competitors shall use their best endeavours to ensure that their AIS Transponder is switched on (i.e., transmitting and receiving) at all times during the race.

9. RRS 41 - OUTSIDE HELP

Rule 41(c) is replaced by: -

"A boat shall not receive help from any outside source, except (c) help in the form of information which is freely available to all boats, which shall include navigational, weather, tide or current information from any source which is available to all boats whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription, but shall not include any information gathered or the subject of interpretation by, or any advice received from, any source not on board the boat and which is specific to the boat and her situation."









By way of example and interpretation: downloading charts, weather and/or tidal GRIB files from subscription services, or having such information passed to the boat in its pure form, is permitted but receiving messages or information which is the result of interpretation as it applies to the boat is not permitted.

10. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows: -

- Line Honours Seamus Gallagher Memorial Trophy
- IRC Overall Dingle Skellig Hotel Trophy
- IRC 1 Sam & Emma Trophy
- IRC 2 Dingle Crystal Trophy
- IRC 3 National Yacht Club Decanter
- IRC Cruiser Alice Celebration Trophy
- IRC Two handed Volvo Trophy
- Mixed crew (two or more Women competing) Polynesian Paddle
- Two-Handed mixed crew (a male and a female).
- IRC Corinthian (1st boat without a WS Group 3 crewmember) Carmel Winkelmann Cup
- 1st boat under 33ft Halidon Trophy

When no boat qualifies to win a particular prize, the OA may, at its discretion, award it otherwise.

11. SAFETY AND LIFE SAVING EQUIPMENT

Competitors' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 life-saving equipment: "Each Competitor is individually responsible for wearing a personal flotation device adequate for the conditions."

However, in the Volvo D2D race, a combined Lifejacket and Harness shall be worn when on deck:

- Between the hours of sunset and sunrise
- When alone on deck
- When reefed
- When the true wind speed is 25 knots or above
- When the visibility is less than 1 nautical mile

See also Offshore Special Regulation 5.02









12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RISK STATEMENT

Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of Persons in Charge is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone" and to Special Regulation 1.02.1 which begins: "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge...."

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 omission.
- 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 and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f) they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience, and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed, in date and familiar to the crew.

The National Yacht Club, The RORC, their sponsors, Dun Laoghaire Harbour/DLRCC, Dublin Port Company and Dingle Marina accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to, any vessel or property.

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3m or the equivalent during the race.

14. COVID Statement

Protocols relating to COVID-19 may be published before the race and will state if they have the status of a rule.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact

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SAILING CALENDAR

The Volvo Dun Laoghaire to Dingle Race 2023 is part of the Royal Ocean Racing Club <u>programme</u> for 2023 and the race can count towards the experience requirements for entry into the <u>Rolex Fastnet Race</u>.

The Race will also be a key component of the programme of cruiser racing in Ireland in 2023.

07 – 10 June 2023 Volvo <u>Dun Laoghaire to Dingle Race</u>

21 – 24 June 2023 Sovereign's Cup, Kinsale YC

06 - 09 July 2023 <u>Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta 2023</u>

01 – 03 Sept 2023 <u>ICRA National Championships 2023 Howth YC</u>