



# International Fireball World Championship

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## The Irish National Fireball Championship

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## International Fireball Irish and World Championships

August 18 - 26, 2022  
Dromineer, Nenagh,  
Co Tipperary, Ireland.

The Organising Authority (OA) is Lough Derg Yacht Club in association with International Fireball Class Association (IFCA) and Fireball Ireland.

## Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification.

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 '[SP]' in a rule means a standard penalty may be given by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing. If the race committee or technical committee does protest the boat, the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS A5.1(a).

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Irish Sailing prescriptions that apply are listed in Attachment A.
- 1.3 The IFCA Rules, available at:  
<https://www.fireball-international.com/the-boat/rules/>
- 1.4 Subject to the approval of the Race Committee, a boat chartered or loaned for the event(s) may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull, provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta. This changes RRS Appendix G3.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 RRS 40.1, Personal Flotation Devices, shall apply at all times when afloat.

### 2 Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available online at [www.ldyc.ie/Fireball-Worlds-2022](http://www.ldyc.ie/Fireball-Worlds-2022)

### 3 Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The event is open to all boats of the IFCA whose helmsman and crew are affiliated or unaffiliated members of IFCA.
- 3.2 The winner of the title "National Champion" can be a member of any National Fireball Association. – the West Trophy
- 3.3 The top Irish boat will be the Irish Champion and will be awarded a Championship prize.
- 3.4 All perpetual Irish Fireball Association trophies shall remain in Ireland.
- 3.5 Eligible boats may enter online for the two championships at  
<https://www.ldyc.ie/Fireball-Worlds-2022>
- 3.6 The normal closing date for receipt of entries is Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> 2022.
- 3.7 The final closing date for receipt of entries is Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 2022
- 3.8 After June 30<sup>th</sup> 2022 a Late-Entry Fee will apply.
- 3.9 The OA will monitor the Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic or other potential disruptions to the event and, having regard for the health and safety of all participants as well as any government travel regulations or government mandated conditions on gatherings that affect participation in or conduct of the event, may at its sole discretion:
  - 3.9.1 Postpone or cancel the event.
  - 3.9.2 Change the status of the event from a World Championship to an International Regatta.
  - 3.9.3 Alter the maximum number of entries.

## 4 Fees

### 4.1 Required fees are as follows:

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Irish Championship	€75	€100
World Championship	€399	€450
Combined	€449	€550

Youth Entry Fee

See 4.3 below

- 4.2 Deposit Scheme. If a €50 deposit is paid this will guarantee your entry at the Standard Fee provided the balance is paid by June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 4.3 Free Draw. If the standard entry fee is paid in full by March 31<sup>st</sup>, the entrant will automatically be entered into a draw where the winner will win a full refund of the Entry Fee. The draw will take place at the event when the refund will happen.
- 4.4 Youth Entry Fee. A discounted Youth entry fee will apply for Under 25s (see criteria). The same Deposit Scheme will be available.

Required fees are as follows:	Up to June 30 <sup>th</sup>	July 1 <sup>st</sup> to August 13 <sup>th</sup>
Irish Championship	€60	€85
World Championship	€320	€370
Combined	€360	€460

Youth Criteria. To qualify for the Youth Entry Fee, both helm and crew must be under 25 years on Fri 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022. The same Deposit Scheme will be available and entries must be received by June 30<sup>th</sup> 2022.

- 4.5 In the unlikely event that these championships have to be cancelled, all fees paid will be refunded less any financial transaction charges.

## 5 Schedule

### 5.1 Registration

Day	Date	Start time	End time
Wednesday	August 17, 2022	10:00	18:00
Thursday	August 18, 2022	09:00	11:00
Saturday	August 20, 2022	10:00	18:00

### 5.2 Equipment inspection and measurement

Day	Date	Start time	End time
Wednesday	August 17, 2022	10:00	18:00
Saturday	August 20, 2022	10:00	18:00

### 5.3 Racing Schedule:

Fireball Irish Championship			
Day	Date	No. of Races	Scheduled warning signal time for the 1 <sup>st</sup> race
Thursday	August 18, 2022	3	12:00
Friday	August 19, 2022	3	12:00

Fireball World Championship			
Day	Date	No. of Races	Scheduled warning signal time for the 1 <sup>st</sup> race
Sunday	August 21, 2022	2	12:00
Monday	August 22, 2022	2	12:00

Tuesday	August 23, 2022	2	12:00
Wednesday	August 24, 2022	Lay day*	12:00
Thursday	August 25, 2022	2	12:00
Friday	August 26, 2022	2	11:00

\*Racing will be scheduled on the lay day if the race schedule is 2 or more races behind schedule, or if the forecast suggests that racing may not be possible on subsequent days.

5.4 One additional race per day may be added at the discretion of the race committee. There will be a maximum of 10 races for the World championships.

5.5 On the last scheduled day of racing the first warning signal of a race will not be made after **15:00 hrs.**

## 6 Measurement

6.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. All boats and equipment shall be presented for pre-event inspection. Detailed instructions will be provided at registration.

6.2 Classic Boats will be identified during the measurement inspection. A list of classic boats by sail number will be published on the official notice board prior to the first race of the World Championship.

6.3 For the World Championship, no more than two suits of sails, one set of spars, one centreboard and one rudder may be presented for measurement. Boat measurements and equipment checks may be made at any time.

6.4 There will be a pre-booking system in place. Once a boat is entered it will be possible, at a later date, to book a time for measuring.  
This will be done through [www.ldyc.ie/Fireball-Worlds-2022](http://www.ldyc.ie/Fireball-Worlds-2022).

## 7 Advertising [DP]

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority, in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

## 8 Venue

NoR Attachment B shows the location of the regatta harbour and the location of the racing area.

## 9 The Courses

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

## 10 Penalty System

10.1 Appendix P will apply.

10.2 When the wind speed is clearly over 12 knots the race committee may signal that RRS P5, Flags O and R applies.

10.3 RRS Appendix P2.3 shall not apply and P2.2 is changed so that it will apply when a boat is penalised for the second or subsequent time.

10.4 Appendix T Arbitration shall apply except that if a party fails to attend an arbitration meeting other parties to the hearing may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time until the International Jury has finished taking evidence. This changes RRS Appendix T1(a).

10.5 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## 11 Scoring

11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series for each of the championships.

11.2 **For the Irish Championship:**

When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When from 4 to 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### 11.3 For the World Championship:

When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## 12 Support Person Vessels [DP]

All drivers of support vessels shall be registered with the organizing authority and shall be required to comply with 'event support vessel regulations' which will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

Each support vessel shall clearly display an identification number supplied at registration.

Each support vessel boat is required to carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving all international ship-to-ship channels

All support persons shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

## 13 Berthing [DP]

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park.

## 14 Data Protection and Image Rights

At registration competitors and support persons will be required to consent to the following:

### Data Protection

Any personal information provided to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate participation in the event. Competitors and support persons are bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. For any person not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with Irish Sailing, a competitor's or support person's national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

### Image rights

Competitors and support persons accept that the Organising Authority may arrange for images or videos to be taken at the event both on the water and on shore. Competitors and support persons give consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof. The images may only be used for the promotion of the event, its sponsors, the organising authority and the International Fireball Class.

## 15 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for the Irish National Championship.

Prizes will be awarded as follows for the World Championship:

Race 1	Moore Trophy	Race 8	RVYC Trophy
Race 2	Rondar Cup	Race 9	Safaricom Kenya Trophy
Race 3	Volvo Trophy	Race 10	P & B Trophy
Race 4	Certina Trophy	Overall Crew	Humboldt Trophy
Race 5	Mildara Wines Trophy	Overall Worlds	Worlds Trophy
Race 6	Bell Bowl	Overall Classic	Cassic Boat Trophy
Race 7	Sponsor Trophy	Perseverance	Geest Trophy

Other prizes may be awarded.

## 16 Risk Statement

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.** The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, or during, or after the event.

## 17 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. Signing the entry form shall confirm that the boat has such cover.

## 18 Indemnification

To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor agrees to indemnify and hold the International Fireball Class, Fireball Ireland, Lough Derg Yacht Club, owners, affiliates, officers, employees, agents, sponsors and patrons, committee persons and race officials acting in their official capacities harmless, from any third party claim to the extent arising from a competitor's acts or omissions.

## 19 Covid Statement [DP]

By participating in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the COVID-19 procedures of the Organizing Authority.

## 20 Further Information

For further information please contact:

Lough Derg Yacht Club, Dromineer, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary, Ireland, E45 NY60

Tel: +353 (0)67 24455

Email: [fireballinternational2022@gmail.com](mailto:fireballinternational2022@gmail.com)

Website: <https://www.ldyc.ie/Fireball-Worlds-2022>

## Attachment A

### Applicable Irish Sailing Prescriptions:

#### Rule 61.2 - Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress

Irish Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

#### Rule 67 – Damages

- i) No claims for damages arising from an infringement of any of the rules, as defined, shall be adjudicated upon by any protest committee or appeal authority but shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- ii) A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a rule.

#### Rule 91 (b)

An organising authority shall obtain approval from Irish Sailing for the appointment of an international jury within its jurisdiction, other than those of World Sailing. Application should be made in writing no less than thirty (30) days in advance enclosing the notice of race and the names of the proposed members of the Jury.



Attachment B

