

ISA All Ireland Junior Sailing Championships 2016

**Fastnet Marine Outdoor Education Centre
Schull – Co. Cork**

September 24th – 25th 2016

NOTICE of RACE

1. Rules.

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing including ISA Prescriptions, this Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and ISA SailFleet rules for boat handling. Any change to this Notice will be published on the official notice which will be on the ISA website www.sailing.ie
- 1.2 The Organising Authority (OA) is the ISA with Fastnet Marine Outdoor Education Centre (FMOEC).
- 1.3 Personal floatation devices shall be worn while afloat. This changes the preamble to Part 4 and rule 40.
- 1.4 Advertising on the boats and equipment is only available to the OA.
- 1.5 The event will be sailed in supplied FMOEC TR 4.2 class two person dinghies. Competitors shall not alter, modify or change the equipment or boat.
- 1.6 The OA reserves the right to vary the format to suit the conditions. If the race committee decides that sailing is not possible the event will not be rescheduled.

2. Nominations & Eligibility.

- 2.1 Nominations will be accepted from Class Associations affiliated to the ISA with all fees paid up to date.
- 2.2 Nominees shall be members of the Class Association, and an affiliated club of the ISA, or RYA Northern Ireland.
- 2.3 Nominating classes shall comply with the ISA policy of class national championships being under the management of an ISA National Race Officer.
- 2.4 Competitors [and crew] shall be under 19 years of age on December 31, 2016, born after Dec. 31, 1997.

3. Invitations

3.1 Selection will be made by a Steering Group in accordance with the criteria outlined below and no more than 16 invitations will be sent accordingly..

- a) The Steering Group will reserve the right to select two helmsmen to receive nominations as wild cards. These two nominations shall be for persons who have distinguished themselves in International competition in the season prior to the Event and who would not otherwise be eligible for a nomination or for people who have performed exceptionally well in what are perceived as Senior Classes.
- b) Junior Classes considered for nominations include the Optimist, RS Feva, 420, Topper, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, Topaz and Mirror.
- c) The 'non-Junior' Classes that may be considered are ones that either organise a specific Junior Championship event or have a Junior Category prize at their National Championships – these would include the Laser Standard, GP 14, IDRA 14, Mermaid, RS 200 etc.
- d) Any Class that organises its Nationals in conjunction with an International event shall only take into account the number of boats eligible to win the title of Irish Champion in calculating the qualifying attendance.
- e) Places at the Event should be allocated to Classes pro-rata the attendance of helmspersons competing at their National Championship who are eligible for an invitation but with a bias built in to ensure representation of as many of the Classes as is reasonable.

- f) Classes shall be required to provide full details of their qualification event in accordance with the ISA requirements. After determination of the number of invitations each Class is entitled to by the ISA, the Class shall be informed of how many places it is entitled to and the Class shall then nominate the appropriate number of helmspersons. A Class shall not nominate a sailor who has finished outside the top 15% of their National Championships.
- g) Where a Class allocates sailors to specific fleets at their Championship by reference to their age rather than their ability then the onus for deciding a selection mechanism for their nominees shall fall on the Class.

3.2 The ISA will issue invitations to selected nominees with a deadline for acceptance.

3.3 Invitations declined or not accepted in time may be offered to other nominees.

3.4 The ISA may add, suspend or withdraw any invitation at any time.

4. Conditions of Entry.

4.1 Entry to the ISA All Ireland Junior Sailing Championship is by invitation of the Board of the ISA.

4.2 The entry fee of €65 is payable to FMOEC, on acceptance of an invitation by the date stated.

4.3 A Damage Deposit of €150 shall be lodged before or at registration, see 9 below.

4.4 Invited competitors and their crew shall register and be weighed. Thereafter, no change in crew shall be allowed that would result in the total weight being changed by more than 10kgs.

5. Sailing Instructions and Courses.

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. Courses will be windward/leeward or triangle and described in the Sailing Instructions.

6. Format.

6.1 The regatta will consist of an opening series of up to 8 races and a Medal Race.

6.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta. When five or more opening series races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

6.3 The ten top placed boats in the opening series will advance to the Medal Race provided a minimum of 3 opening series races have been completed.

6.4 The Medal Race shall be scored double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4.1, and the score for the Medal Race shall not be excluded from a boat's series score.

6.5 Ties in the series score between boats with different Medal Race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat with the lower score in the medal race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.

7. Schedule.

7.1 Friday September 23rd: Registration and weigh-in of crew: 1800 - 1930hrs.

7.2 Saturday September 24th: Registration and weigh-in of crew: 0815 – 0900hrs

Briefing: 1000hrs, with the Race Committee and Protest Committee, including draw for boats

The scheduled time of the warning signal for first race is 1125hrs. Up to 6 opening series races may be sailed.

7.3 Sunday September 25th: A Warning Signal for the first race will be made at 1025hrs. Up to 3 opening series races may be sailed. The Medal Race Warning Signal will be made after the opening series is concluded or terminated.

8. Penalty System.

Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5(b). Appendix P will apply.

9. Damage Deposits.

A damage deposit will be held in the form of a pre-authorisation on a payment card with the FMOEC office before 1700hrs on Thursday September 22nd or cash at registration. In case of damage, deemed the responsibility of the competitor, to a boat or sails or equipment a competitor will be required to pay an additional amount in order to maintain the deposit balance. Any remaining deposit will be released within 3 days of the completion of the event.

10. Disclaimer of Liability.

Competitors participate in the ISA All Ireland Junior Championship entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the championship. The safety of the boat and her entire management

are the sole responsibility of the competitor and he/she should satisfy him/herself that they and the boat are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the event.

11. Prizes

The overall winner will be designated as the ISA All Ireland Junior Sailing Champion 2016. The first placed girl will be known, additionally if she is also the overall winner, as the ISA All Ireland Girls Sailing Champion 2016. Prizes will be awarded as follows: First, second and third in the Championships will receive ISA Medallions of gold, silver and bronze respectively. First male and female competitors will each receive an ISA Junior Championship perpetual silver salver.

12. Support, Coach and Spectator Boats

Support, Coach and Spectator boats shall register with the Race Office and shall comply with instructions of the Race Committee while in the vicinity of the racing area. The designated slipway for launching is at Schull Harbour.

13. Rights to Use Name and Likeness

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival, until their final departure, without compensation.

Practice Sailing

Sailing time in two FMOAC Dinghies will be available from 1400hrs until 1800hrs on Friday September 23rd subject to the Damage Deposit being lodged, weather conditions and availability of boats. Time must be pre-booked with the FMOEC office, email: info@schullsailing.ie

Social

A championship dinner will be held in Schull Harbour Hotel on Saturday at 1930hrs, ticket price to be confirmed and places may be booked by contacting Sara Louise Rossiter at email: sl.rossiter@sailing.ie, or with your entry.

Competitors will be temporary guests of the Fastnet Marine Outdoor Education Centre for the duration of the event, subject to the rules and regulations of the Centre.