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Regatta Overview

We invite sailors to participate in the Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta 2023 (Regatta).

The Organising Authority (OA) of Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta is Dublin Bay Regattas Ltd, a not-for-profit company, beneficially owned by Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club (DMYC), National Yacht Club (NYC), Royal Irish Yacht Club (RIYC) and Royal St George Yacht Club (RSGYC).

1. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. ADVERTISING

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

3. ELIGIBILITY – ALL CLASSES

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all boats and classes listed in the Entry Fees Table in 4.7 below and to any other classes accepted by the OA.
- 3.2 The OA reserves the right to:
 - a) Reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor at its discretion. See RRS 76.1.
 - b) Combine the start of one class with another.
 - c) Subdivide any class depending on the number of entries received.
 - d) Cancel racing for any class or amalgamate classes if the number of entries is less than ten.
- 3.3 Consideration will be given to entries from other classes to those listed in Entry Fee Table in 4.7 below, subject to a minimum of ten boats from such a class.
- 3.4 Boats for which racing is provided in the One Designs shall only be permitted to race in the Cruisers at the sole discretion of the OA.

3.5 ELIGIBILITY - HANDICAP CLASSES

3.5.1 CRUISER (IRC & ECHO) CLASS

- a) The Regatta is open to Cruiser class boats with an IRC and/or ECHO TCC rating between .770 and 1.250. Boats outside these limits may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.
- b) Boats shall hold and produce on request a valid 2023 IRC rating certificate (**endorsed for boats with a TCC Rating between .913 and 1.250**) issued no later than 1700 on **Friday 23 June 2023** and/or a valid ECHO handicap.
- c) IRC Rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight except as required for boats rated as one design which shall comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1.
- d) Entries will be split into classes based on rating, or exceptionally for other reasons, depending on the number of entries. The allocation of entries into classes will be posted on the event website by 1700 on **Wednesday 28 June 2023**.

3.5.2 OFFSHORE (IRC) CLASS

- a) The Regatta is open to Offshore class boats with an IRC rating between .890 and 1.360. Boats outside these limits may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

- b) Boats shall hold and produce on request a valid 2023 IRC rating certificate issued no later than 1700 on **Friday 23 June 2023** and shall be compliant with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2022-2023 – Appendix B Special Regulations for inshore racing.
- c) Entries may be split into 2 divisions based on rating. This split will be posted on the event website by 1700 on **Wednesday 28 June 2023**.
- d) Boats may be supplied with tracker units supplied by the OA which shall be returned to the Race Office immediately after the last race. Boats shall carry an AIS Transponder. Competitors shall use their best endeavours to ensure that their AIS Transponder is switched on and transmitting at least every 5 seconds during a race. The race courses may use virtual marks.

3.5.3 CRUISER NON-SPINNAKER (IRC & ECHO) CLASS

- a) The Regatta is open to Cruiser Non-Spinnaker class boats with a TCC rating of .820 and above. Boats below this limit may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.
- b) Boats shall have a valid ECHO handicap and/or hold and produce on request a valid 2023 IRC rating certificate issued no later than 1700 on **Friday 23 June 2023**.
- c) Boats shall only sail with a mainsail and either a jib or genoa (whisker poles are allowed).
- d) Entries will be split into classes based on rating and whether the boat is fitted with a complete headsail furling system or not. This split will be posted on the event website by 1700 on **Wednesday 28 June 2023**.

3.5.4 BENETEAU 31.7 (SCRATCH & ECHO) CLASS

Boats shall conform to the rules of the **Beneteau First 31.7 Ireland One Design Class Association**, available from www.317.ie for Scratch prizes. Boats who wish to be scored in ECHO shall have a valid ECHO handicap.

3.5.5 MIXED SPORTBOAT CLASS

A fixed handicap per type of boat shall be allocated by the OA.

3.5.6 PROGRESSIVE ECHO

All eligible entries will be scored for ECHO results and eligible for ECHO class prizes if they hold an ECHO handicap. Cruiser class competitors who do not have an ECHO handicap are invited to purchase an ECHO rating online at www.sailing.ie for €42 in advance of the event.

For classes racing under ECHO, a system of progressive ECHO handicapping, where each boat's handicap is automatically adjusted on the basis of performance in each race, will apply. The act of handicap adjustment or failure to adjust will not be grounds for a request for redress (this changes RRS 62).

3.5.7 DISPLAY OF CLASS NUMERAL FLAGS

Boats in the Cruiser (IRC & ECHO) Class, Offshore (IRC) Class, Cruiser Non-Spinnaker (IRC & ECHO) Class, Mixed Sportboat Class shall display class numerals prominently from a backstay, as required by the Sailing Instructions.

4. ENTRY & FEES

- 4.1 Entries of eligible boats shall be made online through the Regatta website www.dlregatta.org.
- 4.2 Early Bird Entry will close **Friday 31 March 2023**.
- 4.3 Entry system will close on **Friday 23 June 2023**.
- 4.4 Confirmed entries will be posted on the event website.
- 4.5 Payment shall be in Euro by debit or credit card.
- 4.6 An entry cancelled by a competitor up to **31 May 2023** is refundable.

4.7 Fees are as follows:

ENTRY FEES		
Class	Entry Fee €	'Early Bird' Entry Fee Up to 31 March, 2023
Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC rating of .980 and above, and greater than 12m LOA	600	510
Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC rating of .980 and above, and less than 12m LOA	525	450
Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC Rating between 0.913 and 0.979	435	370
Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC Rating between 0.820 and 0.912	385	330
Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC Rating between 0.770 and 0.819	290	250
Offshore (IRC) greater than 12m LOA	550	465
Offshore (IRC) less than 12m LOA	435	370
Cruiser Non-spinnaker (IRC & ECHO), greater than 12m LOA	550	465
Cruiser Non-spinnaker (IRC & ECHO), less than 12m LOA	435	370
Cape 31 (fee includes cramage)	700	620
Beneteau 31.7 (Scratch & ECHO)	435	370
Sigma 33	350	300
RS21 (fee includes cramage)	420	350
Mixed Sportboat, J80, Shipman, Ruffian 23	260	220
SB20, RS Elite, Dragon, Beneteau 211	260	220
Howth 17, Glen, Flying Fifteen, Mermaid, Squib, Seabird Half Rater, Conwy Fife	155	130
GP14, Water Wag, IDRA 14, Fireball, Myth	130	110
Laser Standard, Laser Radial RS Aero	105	90

5 SCHEDULE

5.1- Registration and Racing

Date		Closing Time/Date
Monday 3 rd to Wednesday 5 th July	Registration (online)	2100 Wednesday 5 th July

Date		Time	Course Area	Races
Thursday 6 July	Skippers' Briefing (online) Racing - 1 st Warning Signal	1100 1425 1455	Coastal Area Other Areas	1 Race Back-to-back races
Friday 7 July	Racing - 1st Warning Signal	1025 1055	Coastal Area Other Areas	1 Race Back-to-back races
Saturday 8 July	Racing - 1st Warning Signal	1025 1055	Coastal Area Other areas	1 Race Back-to-back races
Sunday 9 July	Racing - 1st Warning Signal	1025 1055	Coastal Areas Other areas	1 Race Back-to-back races

5.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1530.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.dlregatta.org. There will be no paper version available at the venue.

7 VENUE AND COURSES

7.1 Racing is scheduled to be on several areas in Dublin Bay and the East Coast of Ireland covered by Admiralty Charts Numbered 1411, 1415 and 1468.

7.2 The courses to be sailed may be as follows:

Windward/Leeward

Trapezoid

Olympic Triangle

8 SCORING

- 8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a Regatta series.
- 8.2 a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
b) When four to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 8.3 The alternative scoring (minimum number of races and discards) required in individual class championships being held during the Regatta will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

9 CLUB SERVICES, BERTHING, PARKING & LIFT IN/OUT

- 9.1 A complimentary berth (subject to Clause 9.4 below) or parking space will be assigned to visiting boats for the duration of the Regatta from Monday 3rd July to Monday 10th July 2023. If a berth is required outside the above dates, competitors must contact the Event Director who will advise on availability and cost.
- 9.2 Visitors requiring a berth or platform parking must state so on their entry.
- 9.3 Competitors wishing to live aboard will not be permitted to berth at the clubs during the Regatta and will be required to make their own berthing arrangements with Dun Laoghaire Marina.
- 9.4 Boats requiring lift-in/lift-out should notify the Event Director (on the entry) who will advise the competitor of their allocated club. Lift-in/Lift-out must then be booked by the competitor directly with their allocated club. A dedicated crane will be provided for the Cape 31 and RS21 classes on the Carlisle Pier.

10 PRIZES

- 10.1 Overall prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each class with 10 entries or more. For the full list of Perpetual Trophies awarded please see www.dlregatta.org. Additional Class prizes may be awarded by individual classes.
- 10.2 There will be one prize for the first mixed crew in each class with a minimum of one female crew member in each of the two-handed or three-handed classes and with a minimum of two female crew members in each other class.

11 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The OA, DMYC, NYC, RIYC, RSGYC, Sponsors and Stakeholders who include Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and Dublin Port Company will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Regatta.

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the Regatta, 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 Regatta.
- 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 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) The wearing of personal flotation devices is a statutory requirement in Ireland for anyone on board a boat under 7 meters in length and by anyone under the age of 16 on the deck of a boat and is strongly recommended on all boats at all times.
- h) It is the competitor's 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.

12 COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this Notice of Race, 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 DMYC, NYC, RIYC, RSGYC and Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council. Any specific guidance or protocols that govern the event will be published on the official notice board. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a Regatta or Club official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by Regatta and Club officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

13 MEDIA & COMMUNICATION WAIVERS

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 Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta. The OA reserves the right to use or to license the use of any images and sound recording during the Event free of charge.

Competitors agree to allow their email and phone numbers to be used by the Regatta to distribute Regatta information including courses, details of protest hearings, etc and agree to use on-line apps such as zoom for briefings, protest hearings, etc.

14 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.

15 TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

Helmsmen and crew competing in the Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta 2023 and their guests shall be Temporary Members of Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club, National Yacht Club, Royal Irish Yacht Club and Royal St George Yacht Club for the duration of the Regatta and shall be bound by the Rules of the Clubs. The Clubs reserve the right to withdraw Temporary Membership.

16 SOCIAL PROGRAMMES

A social programme will be arranged by each of the four organising Yacht Clubs for the Regatta, details available at www.dlregatta.org

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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