



# NOTICE OF RACE

(Organising Authority - Howth Yacht Club CLG)



ICRA

IRISH SAILING



# WAVE REGATTA

HOWTH 2020

Fri 11th – Sun 13th September



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## 1. Rules

- 1.1 The Event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing, the prescriptions of Irish Sailing, the IRC Rating Rule 2020 parts A-C, OSR 3.14i (i & ii), the Irish Sailing ECHO Performance Handicap System and all the relevant Class rules and handicap systems.
- 1.2 Racing Rules will be changed as follows: Race Signals-(AP flown ashore), 27.1 – (time of display of course), 28.1-(sailing the course), 35 & A4-(race time limit), 62.1(a)-(failure to receive radio signals of verbal changes to SIs), 63 & 64.1-(arrangements for Arbitration), A4 - (score for late starting).
- 1.3 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions and any changes thereto shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7.

## 2. Advertising

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

## 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC of between 0.850 and 1.25. It is also open to the Sigma 33, Shipman, Squib, Puppeteer 22, Ruffian 23, E Boat, J80 and Howth 17 One Design classes.
- 3.2 Saturday's Lambay Races will provide separate 'Class racing' for one-design keelboats not already competing in the 3-day IRC/ ECHO Championships
- 3.3 Racing will be provided for up to six separate Cruiser Classes with IRC and ECHO Handicaps.
- 3.4 Non spinnaker Classes shall only sail with a mainsail and either a jib or genoa (whisker poles are allowed). Boats shall have a current valid ECHO Standard handicap and/or a valid IRC rating certificate with a TCC rating of 0.850 and above.
- 3.5 Depending on the number of entries, the Organising Authority reserves the right to merge or subdivide any Class, combine the starts of Classes, or cancel racing for any Class.
- 3.6 The Organising Authority reserves the right to reallocate a boat into a different Class, after the commencement of the Regatta, should its performance merit such a move.
- 3.7 A team may be sponsored provided that any such sponsorship does not, at the sole discretion of the Organiser, conflict with the moral standards and/or commercial or other interests of the Organiser, the Organising Partners or Howth Yacht Club CLG.

## 4. Fees & Class

- 4.1 Required fees are as per the table below.

	3 day Championship including Lambay Race		Lambay Race only	
	Early Bird	Full	Early Bird	Full
<b>Cruiser Class 0 and 1 (IRC &gt; 0.986)</b>	€300	€400	€60	€75
<b>Cruiser Class 2 (IRC 0.936 – 0.985)</b>	€250	€350	€60	€75
<b>Cruiser Class 3 (IRC 0.830 – 0.935)</b>	€200	€300	€60	€75
<b>Non Spinny Class 33ft or over</b>	€250	€350	€60	€75
<b>Non Spinny Class less than 33 ft</b>	€200	€300	€60	€75
<b>One Design Classes</b>	€200	€300	€50	€65

- 4.2 Entries of eligible boats shall be made online through the Regatta website **waveregatta.com** or by completing the official entry form also available from the Regatta website, paying any fees, and submitting any requested documents to:

The Regatta Secretary  
Howth Yacht Club,  
Middle Pier,  
Howth, Co. Dublin.

- 4.3 Early Bird Entry will close Friday 3rd July 2020. Entry system will close on Wednesday 2nd September, 2020.
- 4.4 Confirmed entries will be posted on the event website.
- 4.5 Where relevant, entry fee covers both IRC and ECHO plus ICRA entry.
- 4.6 Late entries may be accepted after 2nd September at the discretion of the Organising Authority with a €50 late entry processing fee. Entries are non-refundable.

## 5. Schedule

- 5.1 The Regatta will consist of daily races between Friday 11th and Sunday 13th September, 2020.
- 5.2 Mandatory registration will take place at the Regatta office in Howth Yacht Club on

Wednesday 9th September	17:00 – 21:30
Thursday 10th September	14:00 – 20:00
Friday 11th September	08:00 – 10:00
Saturday 12th September	08:00 – 10:30

- 5.3 Race Programme:

### ***The 3-day Championships:***

Friday 11th September	10:55	First warning signal, with 2 other races scheduled to follow. (Three races in total)
Saturday 12th September	10:25	First warning signal with Lambay Race to follow (2 races)
Sunday 13th September	10:55	First warning signal, with 2 other races scheduled to follow.
		There will be no starts after 15:30 on Sunday
	18:00	Prize giving

### ***For those entered for the Lambay Race only:***

All Cruisers	10:55	First warning signal for Lambay Races
One Designs	11:25	First warning signal
	18:00	Prize giving

- 5.4 Racing will take place in the waters off Howth within a radius of 20 nautical miles from Rowan Rocks Buoy.
- 5.5 All boats should have relevant charts of the sailing area.

## 6. Measurements & Handicaps

- 6.1 IRC – A copy of the boat's current IRC certificate shall be emailed to the Regatta Secretary or submitted at registration (Endorsed for boats with a TCC Rating above 0.910). This copy shall be available for inspection by another competitor at any time. Entry of boats exceeding the upper limit will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 6.2 IRC Rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight.
- 6.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to carry out Equipment Inspection and request further information regarding a yacht's measurements. The Race Committee will appoint a Technical Committee under RRS 92 to carry out Equipment Inspection before and during the event. Details of the Technical Committee will be posted on the Official Noticeboard.

6.4 Handicap Cruiser Classes are allocated on the basis of the following IRC ratings:

Class 0	1.041 – 1.300
Class 1	0.986 – 1.040
Class 2	0.936 – 0.985
Class 3	0.830 – 0.935
Class 4	0.951 – 1.100 (Non Spinny)
Class 5	0.850 – 0.950 (Non Spinny)

6.5 The Organising Authority reserves the absolute discretion, in the interest of fair sailing for all competitors, to allocate any boat to any class.

6.6 Boats racing under ECHO shall be assigned an opening handicap based on their standard ECHO rating and performance history using the formula developed by ICRA ([cruiserracing.ie/technical/echo-handicap/](http://cruiserracing.ie/technical/echo-handicap/)). Handicaps shall be revised after each race using a progressive ECHO system. Such adjustment or failure to adjust shall not be grounds for protest.

6.7 Boats in Cruiser Classes shall display one of class numerals 0-6, Flags as required by the Sailing Instructions.

## 7. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at [waveregatta.com](http://waveregatta.com)

## 8. Courses

On Friday and Sunday, a maximum of three Windward/Leeward/Round the Cans/Coastal races will be sailed daily. The courses for the Saturday will be one Windward/Leeward/Round the Cans race plus the Lambay Race course. Full details to be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. Penalty System

Rules 44.1 & 44.2 shall apply.

## 10. Scoring System

10.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series (3-day Championships).

10.2 The low points system of Appendix A of the RRS will be apply.

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

(b) When from 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) The Lambay Race is a non discardable race within the 3-day Championships.

10.4 Weighting for various courses is as follows:

Windward /Leeward & Round the Cans x 1

Lambay Race and Coastal x 1.5

10.5 For boats competing on Saturday only, the low points system of Appendix A of the RRS will be apply.

## 11. Berthing

Berthing for all boats entered will be free and they shall be kept in their assigned places while in the marina or harbour.

## 12. Hauling - Out Restrictions

Boats shall not be hauled out during the Regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## 13. Cranage

The Club crane will not be accessible from Wednesday 9th September until Monday 14th September inclusive. We may be able to provide a mobile crane by prior arrangement. Please contact the Marina Office on 01 8392777 for further details.

## 14. Radio Communication

Each boat must have a working marine VHF radio. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

## 15. Prizes

15.1 Overall prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each Class with 10 entries or more. Additional Class prizes may be awarded for J109, J80 & Half Ton Classes. Classes with less than 10 entries will receive an Overall Prize only.

15.2. The following additional trophies will be awarded for the Saturday race only:

Boyd Cup No. 4	17 Footer Scratch
Sutton Cup	17 Footer Handicap
Boyd Cup No. 2	Class 1 ECHO
Juno Cup	Class 1 IRC
Longyearbyn Trophy	Class 1 IRC (Best HYC Boat)
Ernest Tweedy Cup	Class 2 ECHO
Heineken Trophy	Class 2 IRC
Lambay Trophy	Class 3 ECHO
Peninsula Trophy	Class 3 IRC
Bamford Trophy	Class 4 ECHO
Fitzpatrick Salver	Class 4 IRC
The Summit Inn Trophy	Class 5 ECHO
McAllister Trophy	Class 5 IRC
Knights Trophy	J24 Scratch
BP/Teeling Trophy	Puppeteer 22 Scratch
John Pearson Cup	Puppeteer 22 Handicap
Horst Cup	Squib Scratch
Findlater Cup	Squib Handicap
IECA Trophy	E-Boat Scratch
Aidan J Colfer Cup	Shipman 28 Scratch
Ruffian Trophy	Ruffian 23 Scratch

The Lambay Lady will be awarded to the boat that the OA believes is the best performing boat on the day at their absolute discretion.

A boat in a One Design class may not win both a scratch and a handicap prize or trophy, the scratch prize shall take precedence.

15.3 Overall Wave Regatta Trophy (Awarded for 3-day regatta only)

An overall prize will be awarded to the best performing IRC boat in the 3-day series.

The basis of the calculation is:

- The overall winner is decided as the boat having the Lowest Weighted Score.
- The Weighted Score is calculated as the Average Score divided by the number of final entries in that Class/Division
- The Average Score is calculated as the Total Points (including races discarded) divided by the Number of Races.



## 16. Insurance

Each participating boat shall carry adequate third-party liability insurance in force for the entirety of WAVE Regatta 2020.

## 17. Risk Assessment:

Rule 4 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 organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

## 18. Accommodation & Social:

- 18.1 Details of accommodation will be available on the WAVE Regatta website at [waveregatta.com](http://waveregatta.com)
- 18.2 A comprehensive entertainment programme will be provided each day after racing. Details will be on the Regatta website.
- 18.3 Helmsmen and crew competing in WAVE Regatta 2020 and their guests shall be Temporary Members of Howth Yacht Club for the duration of the regatta and shall be bound by the rules of the Club. Howth Yacht Club reserves the right to remove Temporary Membership.

## 19. Media Waiver

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

## 20. Participant Welfare

Due to the current COVID 19 pandemic, the OA will adhere to any legislative and national guidelines in place. This may include the need to restrict numbers both ashore and at sea and in that instance, a boat's entry date will determine its place on any eligibility list, should that be required. The OA takes its responsibility very seriously with regard to any risk minimization and may place social distancing, temperature screening and other measures in place in the environs of Howth Yacht Club.

## 21. Further Information

For further information, please visit [waveregatta.com](http://waveregatta.com) or contact  
The Regatta Secretary, Howth Yacht Club, Harbour Road, Howth, Co. Dublin.  
Email: [office@hyc.ie](mailto:office@hyc.ie) or 01 8322141

# ICRA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS NOTICE OF RACE

The ICRA National Championship contains all of the same provisions of the WAVE Notice of Race attached with only the following amendments:

- 1.1 The Event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of World Sailing, the prescriptions of Irish Sailing, the IRC Rating Rule 2020 parts A-C, OSR 3.14i (i & ii), the Irish Sailing ECHO Performance Handicap System, the ICRA General Rules and all the relevant Class rules and handicap systems.
- 3.1 The Regatta is open to all Cruiser Classes (IRC & ECHO) with a TCC of between 0.850 and 1.25.
- 4.1 Participants must enter WAVE Regatta. There are no additional fees to enter the ICRA Championships.
- 6.2 IRC Rule 22.4.2 is amended to read crew number is limited to number on IRC Certificate plus 1.
- 10.3 When from 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.4 There is no weighting for the Lambay Race.
- 15.1 Overall prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each Class with 10 entries or more.

