



IRISH TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015



Royal St. George Yacht Club
Dun Laoghaire

7th - 8th November 2015



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PRE-ENTRY FORM

Team Name:

Person in Charge of Team (must be over 18 on day of competition):

Address:

Phone & Email:

I accept that the team's participation in this event is in every respect at the team's sole and exclusive risk. I indemnify the Organising Committee, the Royal St. George Yacht Club and the Irish Team Racing Association in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from participation or intended participation of the above team in the Irish National Team Racing Championships.

I acknowledge that the Organising Committee, the Royal St. George Yacht Club and the Irish Team Racing Association accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss of or damage to property which I or any other person may sustain by reason of the participation or intended participation of the above named competitor in this event or howsoever arising in connection with this event.

It is the sole responsibility of the person in charge of each team to decide whether to participate in a race or continue racing in the prevailing conditions.

The team agrees to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all rules that govern this event.

Signed, on behalf of the Team entered:

Date:

TEAM REGISTRATION:

Date of birth only required for competitors under 18 on 31st December 2015

Helm 1:	Nationality: Date of birth
Crew 1:	Nationality: Date of birth
Helm 2:	Nationality: Date of birth
Crew 2:	Nationality: Date of birth
Helm 3:	Nationality: Date of birth
Crew 3:	Nationality: Date of birth

Written parental consent must be given for all competitors under 18 on day of competition

Entry forms and an entry deposit payment of €80 should be sent, before the 19th October, to:

Irish Team Racing Association,
c/o Cxema Pico, UCD Estate Services, Belfield House, University College Dublin, Belfield,
DUBLIN 4, IRELAND

email: irishteamracing@gmail.com

Bank details: Irish Team Racing Association, AIB Stillorgan County Dublin

IBAN IE60AIBK93357033443187 BIC AIBKIE2D (please send email if you intend paying by electronic transfer)

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NOTICE of RACE

1. INTRODUCTION

The event is for three boat teams and will be sailed in Firefly dinghies supplied by the organising authority. Each boat will be sailed by 2 people.

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authority is the Royal St. George Yacht Club, assisted by the Irish Team Racing Association.

3. RULES

3.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix D Team, Racing Rules. The ISAF Call Book for Team Racing will apply.

3.2 Races will be umpired.

3.3 Sailing instructions will be available at registration.

3.4 When registering, each team will designate a person in charge. This person shall be over 18 on the day of the competition. In the case of teams in which all competitors are under 18 on the day of the competition, the person in charge shall not be a competitor, but shall be available at all times when competitors are on the water or ashore at the event venue.

4. ENTRIES AND DEPOSIT

4.1 This event is open to teams from Ireland and elsewhere. All teams will compete together, however a special prize may be awarded to the winning Youth team.

Teams wishing to compete should contact the Secretary of the Irish Team Racing Association (irishteamracing@gmail.com).

4.2 The age requirement for teams wishing to compete as a Youth team is that all team members must be under 18 years of age on 31 December 2015.

4.3 The number of entries may be limited. If an entry limit is established an amendment to this Notice of Race will be published establishing rules for accepting entries. All teams having paid the pre-entry deposit (see NOR 6) before 19th October will be guaranteed a place.

Decisions of the ITRA committee about entry or eligibility shall not be cause for redress. This amends rules 62.1 and 63.1.

4.3 Teams wishing to enter shall pay a non-refundable entry deposit of €80 before Monday 19th October This deposit will be deducted from the entry fee upon registration. Cheques should be made payable to "Irish Team Racing Association". Special arrangements will be made for teams not based in the Euro-zone.

4.3 The entry fee will be €380 per team. The entry fee will include dinner for 6 team members on Saturday 7th November

4.4 Each team will be liable for the cost of damage to boats, equipment and property up to a maximum of €500 per incident. A deposit for this amount will be required at registration and before a team may sail. When a team is assessed as liable for damage, it shall restore the deposit to the original value in

order to continue sailing. Damage attributed to competitors generally or to an unidentified team will be attributed equally between all teams. A team may apply to the protest committee to determine their responsibility for any damage.

4.5 Each team is required to prepare or take charge of their boats in good time to race as indicated by the race schedule. Teams which do not come to the starting area at or before the preparatory signal of any race in which they are scheduled to compete may be penalised at the discretion of the protest committee. The penalty may include deduction of points, exclusion from the competition, and the withdrawal of any prize or withholding of deposits. The penalty for teams requested to prepare boats for the first round of races on Sunday 8th September will include the withholding of all or part of their deposit

4.6 Team names will, in the opinion of the Organising Authority, reflect the club, locale or sailing organisation which that team represents. An application for entry will be accepted with any name, but the team organiser may be required to change the name to an acceptable one; failure to do so will result in a team name being imposed by the Organising Authority. There will be no right to request redress concerning such a change. This changes rule 60.1(b) (*redress*).

5 EVENT SCHEDULE AND FORMAT

5.1 The format of the event will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

5.2 Registration will take place at the Royal St George Yacht Club on 7th November from 08h00 to 08h45.

5.3 There will be a briefing at the Royal St. George Yacht Club on Saturday 7th November at 09h00.

5.4 The first warning signal will be at 10h00 on Saturday 7th November.

5.5 On the 8th November no warning signal will be made after 15.00 except for the final race of the final stage of a knock-out series.

6. BUOYANCY AND CLOTHING

Adequate personal flotation devices and wet or dry suits shall be worn by all competitors at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

7 RISK STATEMENT

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;
- (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.

8 Prizes

ISA Medals will be awarded to the first 3 Irish teams, and to the first Irish Youth team (subject to a minimum of 3 entries in this category received on or before the 19th October 2015). The first Irish teams in each category may be selected to represent Ireland at any International team racing event in 2016 (subject to eligibility).

Teams intending to enter should contact the Secretary ITRA at :.
irishteamracing@gmail.com.

(Emails should be clearly marked Entry ITRA Nationals 2015.)

Entry forms and entry deposit payment should be sent to:

Irish Team Racing Association

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UCD Estate Services

Belfield House

University College Dublin

Belfield Dublin 4

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