

NOTICE OF RACE



HOWTH YACHT CLUB

SPORTSBOAT CUP 2018



MAY
25-27

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1720 EUROPEAN
CHAMPIONSHIPS

180 IRISH NATIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS

J24s

1/2 & 1/4 TONNERS

RS ELITEs

INCORPORATING:

SB20s

DRAGONs

FLYING FIFTEENs



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1. RULES

- 1.1 HYC Sportsboat Cup 2018, 1720 European Championships and J80 Irish National Championships, organised by Howth Yacht Club clg. will be held between 25th and 27th May at Howth, Co. Dublin.
- 1.2 Racing will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) The Irish Sailing Association Prescriptions and Class Rules shall apply.
- 1.3 Class Rules including weight limits (if any) will apply.
- 1.4 Where there is a conflict with the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail except that neither shall change nor alter a class rule.

2. ADVERTISING

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

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 HYC Sportsboat Cup is open to boats sailing in the following one design sportsboats: 1720s, RS Elites, J24s, J80s, SB20s, Flying Fifteens, Dragons.
Half Tonners and Quarter Tonners with a valid IRC certificate who comply with their respective class rules.
- 3.2 Boats racing in the 1720 Europeans or J80 Irish National Championships shall be paid up members of the Class Association
- 3.3 Eligible boats may enter online, via the event website (sportsboatcup.com) or by returning the entry form, with fee, which can be downloaded from the same website.
- 3.4 Entries received after the 23rd May will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry fees for all classes are as follows:
(These include berthing for all competitors for the duration and trailer storage if travelling by road.
Up to and including March 30th..... €155
After March 30th..... €195

- 4.2 Competitors participating in both the Sportsboat Cup and Wave Regatta (waveregatta.ie) which is running the following weekend (1st - 3rd June), can avail of a discounted entry fee of €300 for both regattas.

5. HANDICAPS (Quarter Ton & Half Ton Class only)

- 5.1 The following handicap data shall be used for the Quarter & Half Ton Class:
IRC: TCC values of current valid certificate which has a valid date of 18th May 2018 or earlier.
- 5.2 A copy of the current valid rating certificate shall be available on board for inspection.

6. REGISTRATION

Registration will take place in the Race Office in Howth Yacht Club.

Registration times:

Thursday 24th May: 1700 - 2100

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 It is proposed to sail nine races.
A minimum of three races must be sailed to constitute a series.

Proposed Schedule of Races:

Friday 25th May:	Up to four races
Saturday 26th May:	Up to four races
Sunday 27th May:	Remaining races to complete series of nine races.

The Race Committee may amend the above schedule, should weather conditions require.

No race will be started after 1500 Sunday 27th May, except following postponements, general recalls and abandonments of a race where the warning signal was made before 1500.

- 7.2 **Skippers Briefing:** 0945 Friday 25th May.

Scheduled Warning Signal first Class:

1200	Friday 25th May
1200	Saturday 26th May
1130	Sunday 27th May

Schedule of all subsequent races will be as directed in the Sailing Instructions.



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8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instruction will be available on the event website and from Howth Yacht Club no later than the 16th May.

9. RACE AREA

The race area will be the waters in the vicinity of Ireland's Eye, north of Howth, Co. Dublin.

10. COURSES & COMMUNICATIONS

10.1 Windward - Leeward courses shall be set.

There may be two course areas, to be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 All boats are advised to carry a working VHF radio as race officers may relay information to the fleet via VHF.

11. SCORING

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System Rule A4 will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded according to Section 11.2 below.

Rule A4 is amended to accommodate rule A5 and will be used even when a series is a Regatta. A minimum of three races will constitute a series.

11.2 Discards applied based on races sailed:

6 or more races sailed 1 discard

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the race committee.

13. BERTHING & CRANAGE

13.1 Berthing is provided for the duration of the event for all competing boats included in the entry fee.

13.2 Cranage will be available for boats arriving by road on Thursday 24th for lifts in and Sunday 27th for lifts out after racing. The charge for both lifts will be €30 payable when entering.

13.3 Boats that have entered the Lambay Races (2nd June 2018) or Wave Regatta (1st - 3rd) June will be afforded berthing/dry storage free of charge for the intervening week at Howth Yacht Club.

13.4 Cranage will not be available from Friday 1st June through Sunday 3rd June. Please contact the marina office to make arrangements if necessary, 01 8392777 or marina@hyc.ie

14. PRIZES

14.1 The Prize Giving Ceremony will take place after racing on Sunday 27th May.

14.2 Perpetual trophies remain the property of HYC or the Class Association who award them.

14.3 Overall class prizes/trophies will be awarded to each class.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority 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.

16. INSURANCE

It is the duty of each boat owner to have their boat adequately insured against any risk, including civil responsibility to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of the HYC Sportsboat Cup.

17. MEDIA WAIVER

Competitors give their consent to Howth Yacht Club, its sponsors and the organising authority to use their name, comments, photographs and likeness in order to promote the Sportsboat Cup Regatta.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 Available on the event website
www.sportsboatcup.com or HYC Office:
Tel: +353 (0)1 832 2141
Email: sportsboatcup@hyc.ie

18.1 All competitors are invited to avail of the facilities of Howth Yacht Club during the event. An entertainment schedule will be displayed on the event website.

3 DAYS

INTENSE RACING
MULTIPLE CLASSES

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