

12. RETIREMENTS

Boats retiring are requested to advise the Race Committee as soon as possible by VHF Channel "M" (37) or by advising any official race patrol boat.

13. TIME LIMITS

The time limit shall be of 2 hours for each race. If any boat in her class finishes before this time limit all other boats of that Class will have their time limit extended by 30 minutes.

Any boat which fails to finish within the appropriate time limit will be scored 'DNF'.

14. PROTESTS

In amendment to RRS 61 any boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Officer on the Committee Boat immediately after finishing the relevant race and have this notification acknowledged by that Race Officer. Protests shall be lodged with the Race Committee within one hour of the finishing time of all racing for the day. A time and venue for the hearing will thereafter be displayed on the Official Notice Board.

15. SCORING

The scoring system will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A using the Low Points System except that boats finishing first will be awarded 0.75 points.

16. DEEP WATER CHANNEL

Competing boats **are required to** give way to any ship underway in the Victoria Channel. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the entire event.

ADVICE TO COMPETITORS

To assist with race management it is requested that competing boats make themselves known to the committee boat prior to the start of Race 1.

SOCIAL

Entertainment will be provided throughout the day and evening at RNIYC.

PRIZES

Prize distributions will take place as soon as possible after racing.

The RNIYC Knockdene Trophy will be awarded to winner of the Madfish Challenge.

NON-RACING MUSTER

Assemble Grey Point 14:00 hrs. Lead boat will fly Orange flag with black diagonal.
Follow in convoy to Royal North. Use Channel 37 / M

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REGATTA

15th August 2009

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 Sailing Instructions contained within this year's Belfast Lough Yachting Conference (BLYC) Regatta Programme **SHALL NOT APPLY TO THIS REGATTA** except where specifically stated.
- 1.2 This event will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. ALTERATIONS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS OR SCHEDULE

The Race Committee may alter these SIs by posting a notice on the Official Notice Board (in the hall of RNIYC) not later than two hours prior to the start of the first race. If an alteration is made ICF "L" will be flown on the flagpole.

3. CONDITIONS

Disclaimer - Injuries, Loss and Damage

The provision and availability of any premises, services or assistance of whatsoever nature and whether to any boat owner, member of crew or visitor to any property is upon condition that the RNIYC and any other person or body providing or making available such premises, services or assistance, on whose behalf of each such body or person RNIYC under this condition contract as agents, is strictly without any liability whatsoever for personal injury, loss or damage to any property howsoever caused and whether by the negligence of RNIYC or any other such body or person of their servants or agents.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 TWO races are scheduled for this Regatta, without discard. One race will constitute the series. [NB. Competitors in Madfish Challenge Round The Lough Race should refer to separate Sailing Instructions available on the RNIYC website]

4.2 Race Area

The race area will be situated in an area between RNIYC and Grey Point. Classes will be grouped and start according to the following schedules

Race 1

Group	Classes	Warning Signal	Prep. Signal	Start	Class Flag
A	Fairies, Bays, Waverleys & Sharpies,	11:20	11:25	11:30	E
B	RS200, RS400	11:25	11:30	11:35	J
C	Squibs, Flying Fifteens	11:30	11:35	11:40	D
D	Mirror, Optimist, Topper	11:35	11:40	11:45	B
E	Laser (Standard, Radial & 4.7) & all other dinghy / Day Boats with PYs, not in other Groups	11:40	11:45	11:50	G
F	Multihulls (Dart, Hobie Hurricane), 505, Laser 4000, Laser II, Dragon, Sportsboats (1720, SB3 & RS Elite)	11:45	11:50	11:55	K

Race 2

Race 2 for the above classes will start as soon as possible after the completion of Race 1. The starting groups and relative timings will be as for Race 1.

4.3 Starting signals shall be made at 5 minute intervals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals and the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Except for Races A the warning signal for each class shall be the preparatory signal for the immediately preceding class. The Class flag shall be displayed at the start of the immediately preceding class and shall signify the preparatory signal for that class. Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area. This amends RRS 26.

5. IDENTIFICATION

All boats shall display their sail numbers as notified to the BLYC. Permission to use any other sail number shall be sought, in writing, from the Race Committee prior to the start.

6. MEASUREMENT AND EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

6.1 Sportsboats shall comply with BLYC Appendix A.
 6.2 All persons sailing in centerboard boats and multihull dinghies shall wear adequate personal flotation devices while racing. Wet or dry suits are not acceptable as substitutes. All keelboats shall carry sufficient personal flotation devices for each crew member. This SI amends RRS 40.

7. STARTING LINE

The Starting Line shall be between the main mast of the Committee Boat (which will be displaying an orange flag while on station) and the Outer Limit Mark (Mark X in diagrams). An Inner Limit Mark may be laid near the Committee Boat. Boats approaching the line to start shall pass between this mark and the OLM.

8. RECALLS

In the event of a general recall the First Substitute shall be displayed for a maximum of 4 minutes and shall be lowered without a sound signal. The recalled class shall take as its preparatory signal the start of the last class scheduled in their Race Area or the start of the immediately preceding class also subject to a general recall if more than one class has been recalled. This amends RRS Race Signals and 29.2

9. COURSES

9.1 The course to be sailed will be indicated by the displaying of the respective course signal on the Committee Vessel prior to the Warning Signal for the first start. This may be changed at any time prior to that Warning Signal.

Signals for Courses: -

- Triangular Course - ICF 'T'
- Windward/Leeward & Trapezoid Course - ICF 'W'

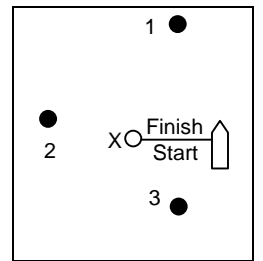
TRIANGULAR COURSE (ICF 'T')

After starting boats shall round marks, leaving them to Port, and crossing the Start/Finish Line (SF) between marks 3 and 1, as follows:-

Classes A, B, C, D, E & F

1-2-3-SF - 1-3-SF - 1-2-3-SF - 1-3-SF - 1-2-3 - Finish

Triangular Course



WINDWARD / LEEWARD & TRAPEZOID COURSE (ICF 'W')

After starting boats shall round marks, leaving them to Port, and crossing the Start/Finish Line (SF) between marks 4 and 1, as follows:-

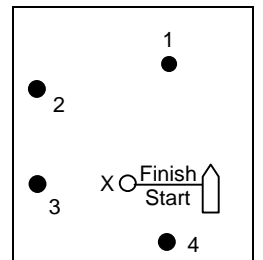
Classes A, C, E & F

1-2-3-2-3-4-SF - 1-2-3-2-3-4-SF - 1-2-3-2-3-4 - Finish

Classes B & D

1-4-SF - 1-4-SF - 1-4-SF - 1-4 - Finish

Windward / Leeward & Trapezoid Course



9.2 Boats shall NOT pass through the Start/Finish Line (SF) on a downwind leg of either course.

10. MARKS

Marks 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be black spherical buoys. Mark x will be a smaller orange buoy.

11. FINISHING LINE

The Finishing Line shall be between the mainmast of a Committee Boat, displaying a blue flag, and the appropriate mark.