



LOUGH REE YACHT CLUB
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NOTICE OF RACE

SB20 Western Championships 2022

Lough Ree Yacht Club,

Ballyglass, Hillquarter, Coosan, Athlone. N37 K257

Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th June 2022

The Organising Authority (OA) is Lough Ree Yacht Club (L.R.Y.C.)
in association with the SB20 Ireland Class Association.

The notation (DP) in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 **COVID STATEMENT:** The event will be run in accordance with COVID-19 rules, Government and Irish Sailing guidelines as applicable at the time of the event. [DP] By participating in the event, 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
- 1.3 The following SB20 Class Rules will not apply:
 - Class Rule C.5.1 (3) (floating throwing line attached to the stern)
 - Class Rule C.5.2 (17) (horseshoe lifebuoy).
 - Class Rule C.5.2 (18) (anchor and line).
- 1.4 Class Rule C.5.1(7) will not apply and is replaced with "Two paddles of combined minimum weight not less than 1kg." This weight requirement will be strictly policed. Added weight will not be treated as part of the paddle.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on <https://www.lryc.ie/event/sb20-western-championship/> by Friday 17th June 2022.

3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF marine channels.
- 3.2 On the water, the OA will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to registered boats of the SB20 class. One crew member on board must be a member of the class association.
- 4.2 Any changes of helm or crew after registration for the event must be applied for and agreed by the OA in advance of the change being made.
- 4.3 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews who are under 18 years of age must submit declarations signed by their parent or guardian.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and making payment online at <https://www.lryc.ie/event/sb20-western-championship/>
- 4.5 Entries will be accepted until Saturday 18th June with an early entry discount applicable as below.

Fees are as follows:	EARLY ENTRY DISCOUNT (€25) before Monday 6 th June	LATE ENTRY Up to Sat 18 th June
Entry fee	€125.00	€150.00
Entirely crewed by under 30s	€70.00	€95.00

- 4.6 The entry fee includes launching, berthing and lift out of boats and is non-refundable.

5 REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Registration will take place at the Race Office in L.R.Y.C. at the following times:
- 09.30 to 11.00 on Saturday 18th June 2022.
- 5.2 There shall be no crew-weigh in.

6. SCHEDULE

	Lift in / out	First Warning Signal	Number of Races
Friday 17 th June	18:00 to 20:00	N/A	N/A
Saturday 18 th June	09:30 to 11:00	12.55	3
Sunday 19 th June	After racing	10.55	3

- 6.1 With the exception of the first scheduled race which will not be brought forward, the OA reserves the right to alter the schedule of races as they see fit.
- 6.2 A competitors briefing will take place at 11.00 on Saturday 18th June in front of the LRYC Clubhouse.
- 6.3 On the last day of the event, no warning signal will be made after 1500.

7 LAUNCHING, BERTHING AND LIFT OUT

- 7.1 Launching will take place as set out in paragraph 6 above.
- 7.2 All boats, are required to be berthed overnight on L.R.Y.C. pontoons or moorings. Competitors are advised to bring adequate warps and fenders.
- 7.3 [DP] Boats shall remain in the water from the warning signal of the first race until the finish of final race of the event unless, having requested to do so in writing, the request is granted by the OA.
- 7.4 Lift out facilities for visiting boats will be provided immediately after the last race of the event.

8 [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION & ADVERTISING

- 8.1 Any changes to sail numbers shall be requested in writing and approved by the OA.
- 8.2 Boats may be subject to scrutiny before or after any race at the discretion of the OA or Protest Committee.
- 8.3 The OA may require competitors to apply sponsor stickers to their boom and/or hull for the duration of the event.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Racing will be on the waters of Lough Ree to the North of the islands situated just north of L.R.Y.C. The courses will be of the Windward/Leeward type with further exact details specified in the SIs.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 The two-turn penalty is changed to a one turn penalty (This changes Rule 44.1).

11 SCORING

- 11.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 11.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
- 11.3 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 boats Overall and to the top boat in the Silver Fleet. The presentation of prizes will take place as soon as possible following the last race of the event.

13 LIABILITIES & RISK STATEMENTS

- 13.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk.
*RRS Fundamental Rule 3, Decision to Race states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone"*
- 13.2 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.
 - g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any specific risks to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- 13.3 L.R.Y.C. and SB20 Ireland, together with their officers, members and volunteers, will not accept liability for the loss of life or property, or personal injury, or damage caused by or arising out of the event, including any pre-championship training at the championship site, and competitors take part in the championship entirely at their own risk.

14 INSURANCE

- 14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3 million per event , or the equivalent.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

OTHER EVENT AND VENUE INFORMATION

TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP

Visiting helms and crews competing in the event and their guests are granted Temporary Membership of Lough Ree Yacht Club for the duration of the event and will be bound by the rules of the Club. The Club reserves the right to withdraw such temporary membership.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

It is anticipated there will be an event dinner after sailing on the Saturday evening.

SUSTAINABILITY

This event is registered with Sailors for the Sea Clean Regattas.

As part of our commitment to reduce the environmental impact of our Club, competitors, volunteers, race officers and all stakeholders will be asked to follow guidelines that include, but are not limited to:

- a. Boats washed down prior to travel to the venue and before leaving to avoid transfer of invasive species.
- b. No trash left in the boat park which could blow into the water.
- c. Personal provision of reusable water bottles, bags, and food containers as no single use plastic bottles will be available at the venue; (refill points will be available).
- d. Disposal of proper waste receptacles for recycling, composting and refill
- e. Cleaning boats with water only as deck soaps contain phosphates and nitrates that can dramatically affect water quality and can harm aquatic life.

ACCOMODATION

Excellent camping facilities and parking for Camper Vans etc are available at the Club.

Camping; Caravans & Camper Vans / Cruisers €30 - Tents €15.

Please note the main kitchen will NOT be available but the Camping kitchen (limited facilities) will be. The Club barbecues (gas /coal) may be used at any time. There are also electrical sockets available for boiling kettles etc.

B&B accommodation is available locally and Hotels are available in and around Athlone.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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