



*Proudly announce the*



**IRISH NATIONAL DRAGON CHAMPIONSHIP 2019**  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**As Part of the O'Leary Life Sovereign's Cup 2019**



**NOTICE OF RACE**

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## 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RULES

The organising authority (OA), by permission of the Irish Dragon Association, is **Kinsale Yacht Club (KYC)**. The event will be governed by rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association, the current International Dragon Class Rules, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

## 2. ADVERTISING

Advertising is as permitted under ISAF regulation 20.4. Yachts may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

## 3. SCORING

It is a helmsman's championship and is a ranking regatta for the purposes of the IDA International Ranking List and for Irish qualification for European & World Championships. Under RRS 90.3, scoring shall be the Low Points Scoring System.

A minimum of 4 races must be sailed to constitute a series. If five or more races are sailed there will be one discard applied, subject to provisions of RRS Appendix A2 - Scores not Excludable. Ties will be decided in accordance with Appendix A8.

## 4. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the helmsman and crew of the first five boats overall, and to the winner of each race, except that no helm and crew may win more than one race winner prize. Other prizes may be awarded at the committee's discretion.

## 5. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

- Please refer to [www.sovereignscup.com](http://www.sovereignscup.com) to enter and for entry fee details
- There will be an additional fee for craning in and out – This will take place at Kinsale Boatyard
- All Owners and Helmsmen shall be paid up members of their National Dragon Association and their National Sailing Authority.

Sailing Instructions shall be available at Registration which will take place at Kinsale Yacht Club during the following hours:

- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019                      1000 - 1800 hrs.
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019                1000 – 1100 hrs.

## 6. CREW WEIGHT

Class Rule 13.30 shall apply. *"Except when excluded by the Sailing Instructions, the total weight of the crew shall not exceed 285 kg. The weight shall be taken with the crew wearing lightweight clothing. If a crew has been officially weighed immediately previous to the regatta, re-weighing during the regatta shall not take place unless there is a change of crew."*

## 7. NUMBER OF CREW AND PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES

Class Rule 13.10 will apply. *"There shall not be more than four persons on board while racing. A boat shall compete with the same number of crew throughout an event."* Class Rule 11.10.4 will also apply. *"A Personal Flotation Device (PFD) with minimum buoyancy of 50 Newton shall be carried for each person on board. Each PFD shall be either of the compressed gas automatically inflatable type, or of the permanently buoyant type or a combination of both."*

## **8. COURSES AND SCHEDULE OF RACES**

The courses will be Windward-Leeward. Subject to confirmation in the Sailing Instructions, seven (7) races will be sailed in the waters outside Kinsale Harbour from the 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019; two races on each of the first three days of the event followed by one race on the final day.

The Warning Signal for the first race each day will be as follows:

- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> 1300 hrs (2 races)
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> 1155 hrs (2 races)
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> 1155 hrs (2 races)
- Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> 1155 hrs (1 race / Possibility of more if all races not sailed)

The race schedule may be modified by the PRO in the interest of completing as many of the planned races as possible.

No warning signal will be made after 1530hrs on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June

## **9. PENALTIES FOR BREAKING RULES OF PART 2**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-turn penalty is replaced by a One-turn.

## **10. BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places on KYC marina

## **11. HAUL-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 unless for serious and unavoidable circumstances

## **12. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Race information may be given on marine VHF (156-162MHz). The Channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions. It is the owner's/helmsman's responsibility to fulfill all legal requirements to carry and use marine VHF radio on board a yacht.

## **13. INSURANCE**

Each competing Dragon Owner(s) and competing crews shall ensure that they are insured with adequate, valid, third party liability insurance including racing risk. All owners/competitors who sign / write their name at the bottom of the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

## **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, "Decision to Race". No responsibility shall be accepted by the OA, their directors, officers, members, servants or agents nor any sponsor, nor those officials or members connected with the Event for any loss, damage or any other claim of whatever nature however arising or caused in connection with the participation in or intended participation in the Irish National Dragon Championship event.

## **15. RESPONSIBILITY**

The safety of each Dragon yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Owner(s) or the Person in Charge whose obligation it is to ensure that the Dragon yacht is fully sound, seaworthy and is manned by an experienced crew with all the required safety gear. Neither this Notice of Race nor the Sailing Instructions nor any action by Kinsale Yacht Club, the Organising Committee or Race Committee in any way limits the responsibility of the Owner(s) or the Person In Charge. **Attention is drawn to RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rules, and to the current International Dragon Class Rule 11.**

