

Ballyholme Yacht Club

NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



50th Anniversary – Laser Class Race Day Saturday 25th September 2021

GUIDELINES FOR RACING UNDER COVID 19

DO NOT attend BYC if you, or anyone in your household, are feeling unwell or experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 or you have come in to contact with someone who has tested positive within the last 10 days.

Social distancing of 1m must be adhered to at all times. Please be aware of the risks with shared hard surfaces – this includes taps, buckets, boat hulls and dagger boards etc. Please bring hand sanitiser or use the sanitiser provided at various locations around the parks.

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Ballyholme Yacht Club.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race (NoR) or Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules 26, 27.1, 33, 44.1, 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, and A will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions are attached to this document and are available on the club website www.ballyholme.com.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official noticeboard is located on the South facing window of the Cadet Room of Ballyholme Yacht Club.
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open event and is open to boats of the following classes: ILCA 7, ILCA 6, ILCA 4 and

Lasers produced by Performance Sailcraft.

4.2 There is an online entry form at www.ballyholme.com

5 FEES

Entry fee is £20

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Racing will be in on one day and comprise of 4 races.

9.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Saturday 25th September 2021 is 1025 hrs.

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

11.1 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

11.2 All dinghies shall have a painter of at least 5 metres of suitable line which is separate from any other lines or sheets affixed to the boat.

11.3 Boats may sail with a sail number different from their allotted number, provided that notice of this intention is given to the Race Officer or his/her deputy prior to going afloat. Failure to comply with this will result in the boat being scored DNC without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5

12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be in Belfast Lough near Ballyholme Bay.

13 COURSES

The course to be sailed will be either be trapezoid or windward leeward.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Post Race Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the official notice board for details. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

15 SCORING

15.1 One race is required to constitute a series.

15.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2

16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

16.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay 50m outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

16.2 When afloat all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and when the engine of a support vessel is running, the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

[DP] BYC Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park. Visiting Boats in any available space within the North, South and Hard Standing Boat Parks

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The Club Data Processing Policy is available on the club website.

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is 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 risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

22.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, 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 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling per incident or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

Each Fleet will have their own separate prize awarded at the end of the day's racing. Additional prizes may be added at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact clubmanager@ballyholme.com.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

See NoR 1

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the South facing window of the Cadet Room of Ballyholme Yacht Club.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the main flagpole on the East side of the club.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

See NoR 9

7 CLASS FLAGS

ILCA 7/Laser full rug	White Laser Class Flag
ILCA 6/Laser Radial	R
ILCA 4/Laser 4.7	V

8 RACING AREA

See NoR 12.

9 COURSES

9.1 Courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward or Trapezoid. The diagrams in Appendix A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be passed.

9.2 The courses to be sailed will be displayed on a board on the side of the committee signal vessel.

10 MARKS

All Marks are yellow inflatables with exception of start/finish marks which are green and red respectively.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

A patrol boat in close attendance to a competitor in difficulty is an obstruction.

12 THE START

12.1 The starting line will be between an orange mast on the Committee Boat and the course side of a green inflatable mark.

12.2 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12.4 [DP] A boat whose preparatory signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

13.2 Minor course changes may not be signalled. This changes RRS 33.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between an orange mast on the Committee Boat and an inflatable red mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

See NoR 14.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 A boat not finishing within 20 minutes of the lead boat in their class will be scored DNF
- 16.2 In addition to RRS 32, the race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course, shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this sailing instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course and finished within any time limit, without gaining or losing any place. However, when two or more boats that are overlapped are notified, they will be scored as if they were tied. The decision by the race committee to use this procedure or not to use it shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rules 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).

17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is the later. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 17.2 Protest forms shall include the email address and contact telephone number of the protestor and, when possible, the protestee.
- 17.3 Hearing Request forms are available at the Club Office or Members Lounge.
- 17.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

18 SCORING

As per NoR 15

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 [DP] [NP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior approval of the race committee.
- 20.2 [DP] [NP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

[NP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

22 SUPPLIED BOATS

Does not apply.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

Committee Boat is a white coloured Beneteau 46 yacht, Jury boat is a grey coloured rib and Ballyholme Yacht Club patrol vessels are RIBs normally orange in colour.

24 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAMS

As per NoR 16

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

26 BERTHING

[DP] [NP] As per NoR 19.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

29 PRIZES

As per NoR 24

24 RISK STATEMENT

As per NoR 22.

25 INSURANCE

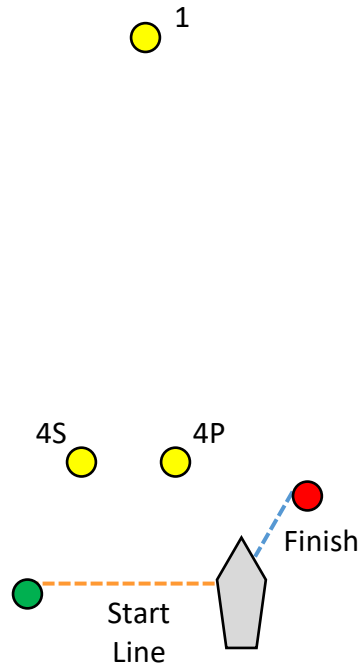
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APPENDIX A – Course

Windward – Leeward

- L2 1, 4P/4S, 1, 4P, Finish
- L3 1, 4P/4S, 1, 4P/4S, 1, 4P, Finish
- L4 1, 4P/4S, 1, 4P/4S, 1, 4P/4S, 1, 4P, Finish

Marks 4P/4S are a gate
 Marks 1 and 4P to be rounded to Port



Trapezoid

- O1 1, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- O2 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- O3 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, 2, 3, 5, Finish

- I2 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 5, Finish
- I3 1, 4, 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 5, Finish

Marks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to be rounded to Port

