



RS 400, RS 200 National Championship 2022

Friday 19th August to Sunday 21st August 2022

RS Aero, RS Feva and RS 2000 Northern Championship 2022

Saturday 20th August to Sunday 21st August 2022

Ballyholme Yacht Club, Bangor County Down

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) 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 Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2 A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, either in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on www.ballyholme.com.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official noticeboard is located on the south facing window of the clubhouse, visible from outside.
- 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 to boats of the RS 400, RS 200, RS Feva, RS Aero and RS 2000 classes.
- 4.2 At least one of helm or crew shall be a member of the RS Ireland or other National RS Class Association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at www.ballyholme.com
- 4.4 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6 [NP] [DP] The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.

4.7 [NP] [DP] Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.

5 FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

	Up to 0800 Monday 15 th Aug	After 0800 Monday 15 th Aug
RS 400, RS200 Seniors	£ 100.00	£ 140.00
RS 400, RS 200 Juniors/Students	£ 80.00	£ 120.00
RS Aero, RS Feva, RS 2000	£ 60.00	£ 80.00

No entries will be accepted after midnight Thursday 18th August

Juniors – both helm and crew must be under 19 on 31st December 2022 or a student with valid undergraduate student ID.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] 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 RS 200, RS 400 Classes - Course 1

Day/Date	Schedule	Time
Thursday 18 th August	Registration	1900 - 2030
Friday 19 th August	Registration	0900 – 1015
	Briefing	1015
	Races 1, 2 and 3 First Warning Signal	1155
Saturday 20 th August	Races 4, 5 and 6 First Warning Signal	1055
Sunday 21 st August	Races 7, 8 and 9 First Warning Signal	1055

9.2 RS Aero, RS Feva and RS 2000 Classes – Course 2

Day/Date	Schedule	Time
Friday 19 th August	Registration	1900 - 2030
Saturday 20 th August	Registration	0900 – 1015
	Briefing	1015
	Races 1, 2 and 3 First Warning Signal	1155
Sunday 21 st August	Races 4, 5 and 6 First Warning Signal	1055

- 9.3 Nine races are scheduled for the RS 200 and RS 400 Classes. Six races are scheduled for the RS Aero, RS Feva and RS 2000 Classes.
- 9.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 9.5 An additional race may be run on the Friday or Saturday at the discretion of the Race Committee. To indicate this intention the finish boat will display flag Numeral 4 at the end of last race scheduled for that day.
- 9.6 On the last day of racing no warning signal may be made after 1500.
- 10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**
Boats may be inspected at any time.
- 11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**
RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 12 VENUE**
The Sailing Area will be in or just outside Ballyholme Bay in Belfast Lough. There will be two course areas: Course 1 for the RS 200 and RS 400 classes and Course 2 for the RS Aero, Feva and 2000 classes
- 13 COURSES**
The courses to be sailed for the RS 200 and RS 400 classes will be Windward Leeward. The courses to be sailed for the RS Aero, RS Feva and RS 2000 classes will be Windward Leeward or Trapezoids.
- 14 PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for all classes except the RS Aero.
- 14.2 Hitting a mark other than the start or finish marks will not be penalised for the RS 400 and RS 200 Class only. This changes RRS 31.
- 14.3 Appendix T and the Post Race Penalty apply to this regatta. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.
- 15 SCORING**
- 15.1 Two races are required to be completed 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.
- 15.3 When between four and six races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.4 When seven or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 15.5 For the RS Aero Class, boats will be scored using corrected times calculated using the Portsmouth Yardstick system.
This changes RRS A2.
- 16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**
- 16.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay 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 All support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat 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] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The 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

Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, in each class as follows:

First, Second and Third

First Junior (under 19 on December 31st 2022)

First Female Helm (or crew if no female helm)

First Masters (over 55)

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact admin@ballyholme.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Information

A certain amount of space at the club is available for camping and or campervans/motorhomes. This is available on a first come, first served basis. Contact admin@ballyholme.com to reserve space.

Hotel and Bed and Breakfast Accommodation - contact: <http://www.visitardsandnorthdown.com>

There are a large number of Air BNB properties and also a new Premier Inn in Bangor – contact through their website.