



Waszp Irish Northern Championships 2024

Saturday 13th April to Sunday 14th April 2024

Ballyholme Yacht Club, Bangor, County Down

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Ballyholme Yacht Club.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) 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, 33, 35, 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 the notice of race or in these sailing instructions.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

The official noticeboard is located on the south window of the cadet room at Ballyholme Yacht Club visible from the outside.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

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

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the main flagpole on the East side of the club.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP. This changes race signals AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 See NoR 9
- 6.2 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.

7 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flag will be flag W.

8 RACING AREA

See NoR 12

9 COURSES

- 9.1 Courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward or Downwind Slalom. The diagrams in Addendum 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 indicated by boards on the side of the committee signal vessel.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 1A, 2, 3, 4S and 4P will be yellow inflatables. The start mark will be a Green inflatable, the finish mark will be a red inflatable.
- 10.3 When a gate mark is used, if one or other of the gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port. This changes RRS 34.

11 OBSTRUCTIONS

Does not apply

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting 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 A5.1 and A5.2.

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 a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

See NoR 14.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The time limit for all fleets is 40 minutes.
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within a 10 minute finishing window after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2
- 16.3 In exception to SI 16.2 and in addition to RRS 32, the race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing but has been lapped by the leading boat. A lapped boat shall finish their current lap but is no longer required to sail the course. A 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. 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 Hearing Request forms are available at the race office.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 17.4 Hearings will be held in the protest room described in the supplementary sailing instructions.

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 written 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**
The Committee vessel will be a RIB.
- 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] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.
- 27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
Does not apply.
- 28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**
Does not apply.
- 29 PRIZES**
As per NoR 24
- 30 RISK STATEMENT**
As per NoR 22.
- 31 INSURANCE**
As per NoR 23

ADDENDUM A – Courses

Windward – Leeward

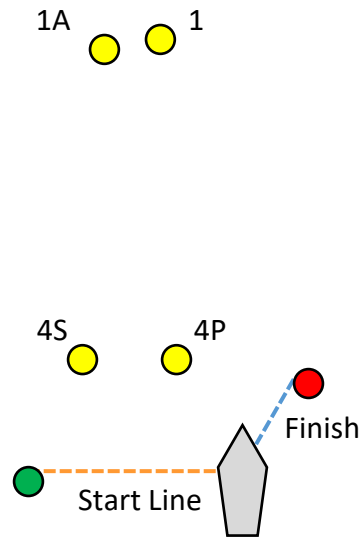
L2 1, 1A, 4P/4S, 1, 1A, 4P, Finish

L3 1, 1A, 4P/4S, 1, 1A, 4P/4S, 1, 1A, 4P, Finish

L4 1, 1A, 4P/4S, 1, 1A, 4P/4S, 1, 1A, 4P/4S, 1, 1A, 4P, Finish

Marks 4P/4S are a gate.

Marks 1 and 4P to be rounded to Port.



Downwind Slalom

X Course

1, 2, 3, Finish

Marks 1 and 3 to be rounded to Port

Mark 2 to be rounded to Starboard

