



LOUGH NEAGH SAILING CLUB

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**IRISH MULTIHULL ASSOCIATION
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

18th & 19th August 2018

Lough Neagh Sailing Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

1.2 The prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association will apply.

1.3 The prescriptions of the Irish Multihull Association will apply.

1.4 The prescriptions of the individual class rules will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the Race Office.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 90 minutes prior to the warning signal for the first race of the day, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main club flagstaff.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.



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5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1* Date	Class	Races	Warning Signal
18 th August	Multihull	3/4 Races	1155
19 th August	Multihull	2/3 Races	1055

(a) One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the class becomes not more than one race ahead of schedule.

(b) All races will be run back to back.

(c) Races will be scored using average laps

5.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flag will be: D

7 RACING AREAS

Racing area will be confirmed during the Safety Briefing at 10.30am on 18th August by the Race Officer.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 Boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9 THE START

9.1 The starting line shall be between the main mast of the Committee boat and Starting Mark S.

9.2 An inner limit mark may be laid approximately on the starting line and if so, after the warning signal, boats shall not pass between this mark and the Committee Boat. Any boat in breach of this instruction shall be disqualified. This changes Rule 63.1.



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9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

9.4 A boat starting later than 6 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4 and 63.1.

10 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Committee Boat and mark S (see Appendix 1)

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 For all Multihull classes, Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

12.1 The target time for each race shall be 45 minutes.

12.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat of their fleet sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and 63.1.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. [The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.]

13.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

13.4 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

13.5 Breaches of instructions 9.3, 15 and 16 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

13.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered



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(a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;

(b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

13.7 Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

14 SCORING

14.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a Championship.

14.2 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.3 ISAF Low points Scoring System will be used.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 While afloat, competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes Rule 40.

15.2 All boats shall have a suitable towline to extend at least 3 metres beyond the bow and which does not form part of the sheets, lines or rigging of the boat.

15.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

15.4 The Race Committee may request a boat to retire if they feel that the crew of the boat cannot handle the conditions.

16 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

16.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.



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16.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. Failure to comply with these rules may result in Disqualification.

18 IDENTIFICATION

Boats shall use their correct sail number which must be clearly readable on both sides of the mainsail. Failure to comply with this will result in the boat being scored as Did Not Finish. Permission to sail under any other number shall be sought in writing from the race committee prior to racing. This changes Appendix G4.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

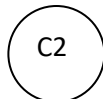
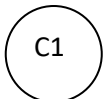
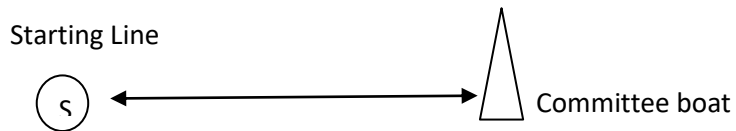
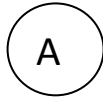
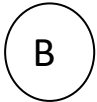


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Appendix 1



Course Start > A > B > C1 or C2 (no of rounds depends on class) to finish