

HOWTH YACHT CLUB

International J24 Class Association of Ireland Eastern Championships

Organised by Howth Yacht Club Ltd.





NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Howth Yacht Club Ltd., in association with the International J24 Class Association of Ireland.

2. VENUE

The venue will be the waters in the vicinity of Ireland's Eye, north of Howth, Co. Dublin.

3. RULES

- 3.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS"). In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 3.2 The Irish Sailing Association prescriptions will apply.
- 3.3 The rules of the International J24 Class shall apply.
- 3.4 Changes to the Notice of Race may be posted on www.hyc.ie

4. ADVERTISING

The 2012 J24 Eastern Championships is designated Category C event in accordance with Appendix 1. The OA may require competitors to display Event Sponsors advertising material, as prescribed under Appendix.1 and International J24 Class Rule 24.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

5.1 General

All competitors shall comply with ISAF Eligibility Rules (RRS Appendix K1). The Regatta is open to boats registered with the International J24 Class, whose helm or registered owner members of a National J24 Class Association recognised by the International J24 Class

5.2 Entry procedure

Association.

Entries can be made online, via the Howth Yacht Club website (www.hyc.ie) or by returning the entry form, with fee, which can be downloaded from the same website.

5.3 Entry fee

A non-refundable fee of €100.00 shall be paid in advance of racing.

5.4 Entry Disclaimer

It is the Competitor's decision to enter the Regatta or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the Regatta is at their sole, exclusive risk, in every respect. By way of entry to the Regatta, competitors shall indemnify the International J24 Class Association, the International J24 Association of Ireland, Howth Yacht Club, their officers, members, servants and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta. Competitors shall

acknowledge that International J24 Class Association, the International J24 Association of Ireland. Howth Yacht Club, their officers, members, servants and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.

5.5 Insurance

All boats shall have third party insurance cover of not less than €2.000,000.00 (or the equivalent thereof in any other convertible currency) for any accident. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

6 REGISTRATION

Registration will take place in the Race Office in Howth Yacht Club. This is adjacent to the Marina

Registration times:

Friday 4th May 2012: 1400 - 2100 Saturday 5th May 2012: 0800 - 0930

7. **RACE SCHEDULE**

It is proposed to sail six races.

A minimum of three races must be sailed to constitute a series.

Proposed Schedule of Races:

Saturday 5th May 2012: Up to four races

Sunday 6th May 2012: Remaining races to complete series of six races.

No race will be started after 1400 Sunday 6th May 2012, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonments shortly after the start.

Regatta Briefing: 0900 Saturday 5th May 2012 Warning Signal: 1030 Saturday 5th May 2012 1030 Sunday 6th May 2012

Schedule of all subsequent races will be as directed in the Sailing Instructions.

8. **SCORING**

The Low Point Scoring System Rule A4 will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score/s discarded according to the table below. Rule A4 is amended to accommodate rule A5 and will be used even when a series is a Regatta.

Discards applied based on races sailed 1, 2 or 3 races sailed no discard 4 or more races sailed 1 discard

9.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the event as designated by organising authority. Perpetual prizes remain the property of the International J24 Class Association of Ireland.

1st and 2nd places overall Gold Fleet.

1st place overall Silver Fleet:

10. DINING

A championship dinner will be held on the evening of Saturday 5th May, in Howth Yacht Club. Tickets may be reserved at registration.