



Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club

RS200/400 Northern Ireland Championships

1st / 2nd May 2010

Notice of Race

The RS 200 / RS400 Northern Ireland Championships shall take place at Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club, Cultra, on 1st / 2nd May 2010. Royal North of Ireland Yacht Club is the organizing authority.

1. Rules

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA, the RS class rules in force at the time of the event, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendment thereto.

2. Advertising

2.1 The event will be restricted to Category A.

3. Eligibility & Entry.

3.1 All helms must be members of the RS Class Association.

3.2 All boats must comply with specifications for the class and may be asked to produce evidence of compliance.

3.3 Competitors may obtain an entry form on the club website [www.rniyc.org] and return it to the Club at the address below.

3.4 Entry fee will be £30 if received by the Club by Friday 23rd April. Alternatively, competitors may enter at registration with a surcharge of £5.00.

3.5 All boats are required to hold third party insurance in the sum of £2,000,000 or equivalent.

4 Registration & Briefing

4.1 Registration will take place from 08.30 – 09.45 on Saturday 1st May 2010 in the Race Office.

4.2 There will be a race briefing at 10.00 on Saturday 1st May 2010 in the Club house.

5. Schedule

5.1 A maximum of 6 races are scheduled for the event. Races are expected to be of between 45 and 60 minutes for the first boat finishing.

5.2 No more than 4 races will be sailed in any one day, with separate starts for RS200 and RS400 on the same race area.

5.3 The warning signal for the first race on Saturday 1st May will be at 11.55. The warning signal for the first race on Sunday 2nd May will be at 10.25.

5.4 No race will start after 15.00 on Sunday 2nd May.

6. Scoring

6.1 Each event will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the Racing Rules using the low point system.

7 Courses

7.1 Standard RS courses will be sailed. Details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

8 Prizes

8.1 Details of the prizes for each event will be available at the event.

9 Safety

9.1 The Sailing Instructions will require all competitors to wear adequate personal buoyancy at all times while racing. Neither a wetsuit nor a dry suit constitutes adequate personal buoyancy.

10 Liability

10.1 Each skipper is entirely responsible for his/her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.

10.2 It is for the skipper of each boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching or going to sea, the skipper confirms that the boat is fit for those conditions and that her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.

10.3 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance and in particular to hold insurance against third party claims in the sum of at least £2,000,000 or the equivalent.

10.4 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the skipper nor will it make the organiser responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury; however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event and include the organising authority, the race Committee, patrol boats and beachmasters.

11 Further Information.

11.1 All enquiries should be addressed to The Manager, RNIYC, 7 Seafront Road, Cultra, BT18 0BB. E-mail:- manager@rniyc.org Tel: 028 9042 8041.