



**Irish Multihull Association**  
**Northern Championship**  
**2024**



**Antrim Boat Club**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

This event will be organised by Antrim Boat 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, 44.1, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, 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**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Club.

**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 in front of the club.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP. This changes race signals AP.

**6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

See NoR 9

**7 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flag will be Flag F

**8 RACING AREA**

See NoR 12

**9 COURSES**

Courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward. 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.

## **10 MARKS**

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Marks 1, 1A, 4S and 4P will be Orange cylindrical inflatables. The start mark will be Orange inflatable 4S.

## **11 OBSTRUCTIONS**

Does not apply

## **12 THE START**

12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee vessel 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**

14.1 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 Mark 4S. Boats shall leave Mark 4P to port when finishing.

14.2 Boats shall race until the Blue Flag is displayed on the committee vessel.

## **15 PENALTY SYSTEM**

See NoR 14.

## **16 TIME LIMITS**

16.1 The time limit for all fleets is 30 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

## **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**

19.1 [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.

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## **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**

Committee vessel is a blue motor boat approximately 30 foot.

## **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

## **24 RISK STATEMENT**

As per NoR 22.

## **25 INSURANCE**

As per NoR 23

# ADDENDUM A – Courses

Windward – Leeward

Course 1, 4P/4S

Continue sailing until Blue Flag displayed

1A ● ● 1

Marks 4P/4S are a gate.

Marks 1, 1A are to be rounded to Port. 1

