



## **Monkstown Bay & Baltimore Sailing Club**

### **1720 National Championships 2020**

25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020

#### **Notice of Race**

**This event is subject to the Covid 19 guidelines as laid out by the Irish Government. All people associated with this event must comply with these conditions. These conditions are changing/may change as the event approaches and will influence the running/organisation/cancellation of this event.**

#### **1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY & VENUE**

The 2020 National Championships will be organised by the Monkstown Bay Sailing Club (MBSC) and Baltimore Sailing Club (BSC) in conjunction with the 1720 Sportsboat Class Association from Friday 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

#### **2. RACING RULES**

- (a) The Championship will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the current 1720 Sportsboat Class Rules (1720SCR), the Sailing Instructions (SIs) and any amendments thereto. In the case of any conflict between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs will prevail.
- (b) Boats may be required to carry event sponsor advertising.

#### **3. PERSONAL BUOYANCY**

All competitors shall conform to 1720 Sportsboat Class rules and the SIs regarding the use of lifejackets or adequate personal buoyancy.

#### **4. SUPPORT BOATS**

There will be restrictions placed on the movements of such boats in and around the race area from the warning signal to the finish of the race.

## 5. ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Only boats for which the 2020 Class Fee has been paid shall be eligible to compete.
  - (b) The maximum Crew Weight Limit (1720SCR C.1.4) shall be enforced without exception.
- (Note - facilities to comply with these requirements will be available at Registration.)

## 6. LIABILITY & INSURANCE

- (a) A boat is entirely responsible for its own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- (b) It is for the boat to decide whether it is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea, the boat confirms that it is fit for those conditions and that its crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- (c) The boat is required to hold adequate third party liability insurance.
- (d) Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers 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 race and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officer, patrol boats, Sailing Manager and MBSC & BSC members or volunteers.
- (e) The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of its responsibilities.
- (f) The boat is responsible to ensure that it is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and that the crew know how to use it.
- (g) The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of the boat set out in this paragraph.

## 7. REGISTRATION & CREW WEIGHING

- (a) Registration will take place between 09:00 & 11:00 hrs on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020.
- (b) Crew weighing will take place during the same periods as registration.
- (c) Face Masks must be worn by crew members during the registration and weighing process.

## 8. RACE PROGRAMME

Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Race 1 followed by Races 2 & 3	First Gun 12:55
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Race 4 followed by Races 5 & 6	First Gun 10:25
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Races 7 followed by Races 8 & 9	First Gun 10:25

The Race Committee reserves the right to change the schedule of races.

## 9. ENTRIES

- (a) Entries shall be made online at <https://www.baltimoresailingclub.ie/event/1720-national-championships/> with entry fee to be paid via the BSC online payment platform before the first race of the regatta.
- (b) The Entry Fee is €150.
- (c) Entry fee does not include the class membership fee of €50 or the launch/recovery fee of €120.

## **10. LAUNCHING**

Boats will be launched from 14:00 – 17:00 Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> September & 09:00 – 11:00 Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> September in Crosshaven in Salve Marine. It is advised that boats that can be launched on Thursday should do to allow for the least amount of launching on Friday morning.

## **11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available online as of the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.

## **12. SCRUTINEERING**

Boats will be required to send a photo of their safety equipment onboard their boat (as per the class rules) to the organising authority (details of contact number to follow in Sailing Instructions).

Boats may be scrutinised at any time during the event.

## **13. SCORING**

- (a) Scoring will be based on RRS Appendix A using the Low Point Scoring System. Nine Championship races are scheduled of which three shall be completed to constitute a series. If fewer than four races are completed no discard will be permitted.

## **14. COVID 19 Restrictions:**

- (a) All crew will have to be declared prior to racing, any changes in crew members must be notified to the organising committee before going on the water on the day of racing.
- (b) All teams must adhere to the HSE and Government guidelines to ensure public safety.
- (c) All sailors must complete the online Health Declaration Form prior to the start of the event.