



## **RACING DECLARATION AND ENTRY FORM FOR 2016**

Please read the following Race Declaration and ensure that you understand the Terms & Conditions you are agreeing to when racing with the Royal Cork Yacht Club (RCYC).

Name of Boat \_\_\_\_\_

Person in Charge \_\_\_\_\_

Sail Number \_\_\_\_\_

RCYC Membership No \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

E- Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Current valid Endorsed IRC and/or ECHO certificates must be submitted to the Race Office before racing in order for a boat to be eligible for a result in 2016.

### **DECLARATION**

To the best of my knowledge the information I have given is accurate. I have paid particular attention to and agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the ISA prescriptions thereto, the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, and any class rules which may govern the type of boat that I am sailing. See [www.sailing.ie/Racing/Rules.aspx](http://www.sailing.ie/Racing/Rules.aspx)

I have also read and understand, and where appropriate agree to be bound by, the RCYC General Sailing Instructions 2016. See [www.royalcork.com](http://www.royalcork.com)

I understand and agree that the information given in this form will be maintained in RCYC records to be used for all aspects of race/Club organisation.

I confirm that my boat is insured with valid third-party liability and agree that it is the duty of each boat owner to have his boat adequately insured against any risk, including civil responsibility to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of all events and leagues sailed in The Royal Cork Yacht Club.

The boat will be available for inspection. If any alteration likely to affect the handicap or rating is made, e.g. to sails, rig, mast, ballast, trim, engine, or propeller, I will notify the appropriate Rating Authority and the Race Committee, and the Sailing Committee of the RCYC as soon as possible. I will ensure that no crew member races on my boat contrary to the terms of any ban imposed by ISAF, or any National Authority, or the RCYC.

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

Before racing I will ensure that my crew and I are aware that:

- a. Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of Persons in Charge is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- b. Crew members' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 (life-saving equipment): "A boat shall carry adequate life-saving equipment for all persons on board, including one item ready for immediate use, unless her class rules make some other provision. Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing a personal flotation device adequate for the conditions".
- c. The Person in Charge and crew will be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the yacht's crew before, during, and after a race. Misconduct may result in both the Person in Charge and crew being excluded from future races and renders a yacht liable to disqualification.
- d. No yacht will be accepted as an entry unless the Person in Charge has, before the start of the race, or at some time previously in that season, signed a Declaration in the terms set out herein.
- e. My crew and I are aware of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, especially 1.02 (printed below).

### **ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 1.02 (Responsibility of Person in Charge)**

1.02.1 The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge who must do his/her best to ensure that the yacht is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who have undergone appropriate training and are physically fit to face bad weather. He/she must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. He/she must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.

1.02.2 Neither the establishment of these Special Regulations, their use by race organizers, nor the inspection of a yacht under these Special Regulations in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the person in charge.

1.02.3 Decision to race -The responsibility for a yacht's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone - RRS Fundamental Rule 4.

**I have read and agreed to the terms of this Declaration. I understand that when I enter a race, I accept the responsibility as the Person in Charge as defined in RRS 46 unless I have informed the RCYC that there will be a different Person in Charge.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Completed Forms must be sent to Royal Cork Yacht Club, Crosshaven, Co. Cork. Fax 021 4831586 Phone 021 4831023**