



2013 VOLVO 420 IRISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

9–11 August 2013

Royal Cork Yacht Club



NOTICE OF RACE

1 Organising Authority

1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is Royal Cork Yacht Club.

2 Rule 65

- 2.1 Helms may not change crews during the event without prior permission of the OA.
- 2.2 Equipment (i.e. foils, spars, sails) shall not be changed between races except in the case of damage and then only with the written approval of the Race Officer. In such cases the damaged equipment may be inspected by the class Scrutiniser for the event.
- 2.3 Parent/Guardian Declarations: All helms and crews who are under 18 years of age must submit declarations signed by their parent or guardian with their entry form or at event registration.

3 Eligibility

- 3.1 Entry is open to all International 420 Class dinghies, sailed by helms and crews who are members of their National 420 Class Association and are also members of their National Authority (e.g. ISA) or an affiliated club.
- 3.2 At regatta registration, competitors will be required to show a valid measurement certificate for their boat, and evidence of membership of their class association.

4 Entries

- 4.1 Competitors are encouraged to register early using the pdf form at www.royalcork.com. The entry charge for on-line entries made before 31st July will be €120 per boat and after that date a late entry fee of €140 will apply. The entry fee includes dinner on Saturday night for the helm and crew. The entry fee is non-refundable.

5 Event Schedule

- 5.1 Competitors are strongly encouraged to register with the Race Office on the evening of 8th August between 17:00 and 20:00. Registration shall also be open on the first day of the event from 09:00 to 09:45. Competitor briefing will take place at 10:00 on the first day of the event.
- 5.2 The warning signal for the first race each day will not be made before 12:25 on the first day of the event, and 10:55 on subsequent days of the event. It is intended that no warning signal will be made after 15:00 on the last day of the event, except for Postponements and general recalls of a race where the warning signal was made before 15:00.

- 5.3 The target time for each race will be approximately 45 minutes for the leading boat.
- 5.4 The Championship will consist of 9 races. 3 races are scheduled for each day. However, the race committee may decide to sail 4 races on either of the first two days.

6 Statement of Liability

- 6.1 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 Irish 420 Class Association, Royal Cork 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 the Irish 420 Class Association, Royal Cork 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.

7 Insurance

- 7.1 Boats are required to sign a declaration to the effect that they are adequately insured for the duration of the event, including insurance against third party claims of at least €2.5 Million or the equivalent in other currencies. 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.

8 Sailing Instructions

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions for the event will be available at registration and may be placed on the 420 and Royal Cork websites in advance of the event.

9 Safety Regulations

- 9.1 Life-jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn by all competitors at all times whilst afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy. All boats must have an appropriate tow line, taped to the deck in accordance to International 420 Class rules.

10 Scoring

- 10.1 The low points scoring system of RRS Appendix A, will apply.
- 10.2 Three races will constitute a series in the event.
- 10.3 There will be one discard after 5 races.

11 Private or Team Support Boats

- 11.1 Support boats shall register at the Race Office during the registration period. During racing support boats shall remain more than 100 metres from the course area, except when asked to assist by the Race Committee.

12 Prizes

- 12.1 There will be a prize for the first three boats in the gold fleet and the first three boats in the silver fleet for the 420 class. There will also be a number of other prizes which will be awarded at the discretion of the OA. The separation of Gold and Silver fleets will take place at the end of day 2, irrespective of the number of races completed.
- 12.2 The title of Irish National Champion shall be awarded to the top Irish boat in the event.