



Irish SB20 Southern Championships August 14th & 15th 2021

NOTICE OF RACE The Royal Cork Yacht Club Crosshaven, Cork, Ireland

1. Rules

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the latest edition of the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing and the rules of SB20 Class Association.
- 1.3 The Organizing Authority shall be the Royal Cork Yacht Club in conjunction with the SB20 Ireland Class Association.
- 1.4 The event will coincide with the 1720 National Championships which run from Friday 13th to Sunday 15th August.
- 1.5 Class Rule C.3.1 will not apply i.e. crews will not have to comply with the maximum Crew Weight Limit.
- 1.6 Class Rule C.5.1(1) is deleted. There is no requirement to carry a bucket and lanyard.
- 1.7 There is a requirement to carry a non-floating line, minimum of 30m long of not less than 8mm in diameter.
- 1.8 Class rule C.5.1(7) is deleted and replaced with "Two paddles of combined minimum weight not less than 1kg." This weight requirement will be strictly policed. Added weight will not be treated as part of the paddle.
- 1.9 Class Rule C.5.2 (17) is deleted (horseshoe lifebuoy).
- 1.10 Class Rule C.5.2 (18) remains in place. Please ensure the anchor is of adequate weight, type and the line is of sufficient length, to secure your boat.
- 1.11 An additional purchase may be added to each jib sheet, terminating the sheet at the sail end, or jib car end in light airs, no restriction on type or size of additional/replacement block used shall apply, however it must be attached to the LM supplied jib car. This changes Class Rule C.9.5 (1).
- 1.12 All competitors must carry an operational handheld marine VHF radio.



2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The event is open to registered boats of the SB20 class. One member on board must be a member of the class association.
- 2.2 All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of the host club for the duration of the event.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter online and pay the required fee at <https://www.royalcork.com/sb20-southerns-2021-entry-form/>
- 2.4 Competitors under 18 years of age during the event shall submit Parent/Guardian declarations online before racing.

3. Fees

- 3.1 The entry fee for the event is €70, rising to €100 for late entries from 1st August 2021. There is a 50% reduction for boats entirely crewed by sailors Under 30 on the first day of racing.
- 3.2 Craneage fees will be incremental to the entry fee and the overall plan will be announced in due course.
- 3.3 Cancellation of the event as a result of COVID-19 after entry applications are opened and until the start of the event will result in a full refund.
- 3.4 The OA will monitor the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic or other potential disruptions to the event and, having regard for the health and safety of all participants as well as any government travel restrictions or government mandated conditions on gatherings that affect participation in or conduct of the Regatta, may at its sole discretion:

- a) Cancel the Regatta
- b) Postpone the event.
- c) Make any other decision deemed necessary in the circumstances.

4. Schedule

Day/Date	Time	
Fri 13/08/2021		Visiting competitors welcome to arrive at the club Lift in details to be announced
Sat 14/8/2021	09:30	Competitors' Briefing via Zoom – link to be posted on the official noticeboard

	11.00 or as soon as possible thereafter	First Gun 3 Races
Sun 15/08/2021	11:00 or as soon as possible thereafter	First Gun 3 Races
	15.30	No warning signal after this time.
	ASAP After Last race	Prize Giving – COVID restrictions may apply.

6 races are scheduled (3 per day) with succeeding races being started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

Depending on conditions, up to 5 races may be held on one day if deemed appropriate.

The sailing instructions will be available at the [event website](#)

5. Conditions Of Entry

5.1 Measurement/Inspection: Boats may be subject to scrutiny before or after any race at the discretion of the Class Measurer or his deputy. The Class Measurer may inspect any boat at any time, and competitors are requested to comply, as far as is reasonable and practical, with the Class Measurer's requests, which may include the weighing of boats. Failure to do so may result in the protest of that boat by the Class Measurer and/or the Race Committee. Boats evidenced at the time of inspection not to comply with Class Rules will be liable to protest by the Class Measurer and/or the Race Committee.

5.2 Boats shall be equipped with a marine VHF radio in working order, the primary purpose of which is to monitor the Race Committee unless otherwise dictated by Class Rules. The channel used will be noted in the sailing instructions.

5.3 All boats shall comply with the prescriptions set out in the current Class Rules, amendments thereto as set out in the NOR and/or SIs, from the time of the first warning signal of the first race until returning alongside the pier following the final race of the series.

5.4 Entrants may be required to sign a declaration of compliance with all Class Rules, amendments herein and eligibility criteria at registration in addition to Covid-19 mitigation measures.

6. The Venue

A number of race areas are available to the Race Committee; namely Cuskinny and South of Roches Point. The race area will be posted on the official noticeboard daily.



7. The Courses

7.1 The courses to be sailed will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

7.2 The courses shall be windward/leeward with a target time of 50 minutes.

8. Scoring

8.1 Two races must be completed to create a valid regatta.

8.2 Where 3 or less races are completed, a boat's score shall be her combined total of her finishing places in those races. One discard will be applied to the boat's overall score where 4 or more races have been sailed.

8.3 The boats overall score will be the total of all races in the event minus any discards utilising the low points scoring system under RRS Appendix A.

9. Prizes

9.1 Overall (Open): 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

9.2 Winner of the silver fleet

10. Personal Safety

Each competitor shall carry at all times a SOLAS approved whistle.

11. Noticeboard

The official noticeboard for the event will be via a moderated admin only posting group on WhatsApp. The link will be shared automatically on entry.

12. Visitors Information

The microsite for the event is <https://www.royalcork.com/sb20-southerns-2021/> and visitor information including accommodation and things to see and do is available at <https://www.royalcork.com/visitors/>. All event queries to communications@royalcork.com.

13. Risk Statement

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

(a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.



- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions.
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event
- (h) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat 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 is familiar to the crew.

14. COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID19 and for complying with the OA's COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions. A breach of this rule shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This amends rule 60.1(a).

15. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance and appropriate cover.

16. Media Rights

Competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event. This may include the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) operated under CAA guidelines.