



Dublin Bay Mermaid National Championships

Foynes Yacht Club



Wednesday 1st to Sunday 5th August, 2018

Notice of Race

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

1.1 The Organising Authority (OA) is Foynes Yacht Club (FYC).

2. RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Mermaid Sailing Association Class Rules.

2.2 The prescriptions of Irish Sailing will apply.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1 World Sailing Regulation 20 will apply.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 **General.** The event is open to boats of the Mermaid Sailing Association whose helm or registered owner is a member of the Mermaid Sailing Association.

4.2 **Registration.** The entry form will be available at www.foynesyachtclub.com or at registration and Individual Membership Forms will also be available at the Event Race Office on Wednesday 1st August from 1900.

4.3 **Entry Fee.** The event entry fee is €150.

4.4 Complimentary breakfast is included in the entry fee.

5. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

5.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk – see RRS 4 – Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event. Foynes Yacht Club, including its officers, employees and agents, the race management team, the support boats and anyone helping to run the event shall not be liable for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the owner/competitor or crew as a result of their taking part in the event.

6. **INSURANCE:** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 per incident.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 It is proposed to sail ten races.

7.2 The Event Briefing will take place Thursday 1st August 1030.

7.3 Proposed Schedule of Races:

Wednesday	1 st August	Practice race	Warning Signal 1900
Thursday	2 nd August	Up to 4 races	Warning Signal 1330
Friday	3 rd August	Up to 4 races	Warning Signal 1230
Saturday	4 th August	Up to 4 races	Warning Signal 1230
Sunday	5 th August	Remaining races	Warning Signal 1130

to complete the series

Schedule of all subsequent races will be as directed in the Sailing Instructions.

7.4 No race will be started after 15.30hrs Sunday 4th August, except for postponements, general recalls and abandonments shortly after the start.

7.5

Tide times	Wednesday	1 st August	HW	2156	4.8m
	Thursday	2 nd August	HW	1016	4.6m
	Friday	3 rd August	HW	1056	4.5m
	Saturday	4 th August	HW	1147	4.4m
	Sunday	5 th August	HW	1255	4.3m

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available from the Event Office at registration. Prior to this they may be available at www.foynesyachtclub.com or www.dublinbaymermaids.com.

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The courses to be sailed will be as listed in the Sailing Instructions.

10. VENUE

10.1 The venue will be Foynes Yacht Club.

10.2 Club facilities include free power & water on site, shower and changing facilities, secure trailer storage during the event.

10.3 Free camping and caravan parking available on site. Full accommodation list available on www.foynesyachtclub.com.

11. ENTERTAINMENT

11.1 A championship dinner will take place at Foynes Yacht Club at 1930 hrs on the Sunday evening. Pre-booking essential.

11.2 Live music will be provided at the club every evening.

12. SCORING

12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of Appendix A shall apply except that the score for first place shall be 0.75.

12.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

13. PRIZES

13.1 The Mermaid Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner.

13.2 The Daphne Cup will be awarded to the winner among those boats eligible.

13.3 The Designer's Tankard will be awarded to the winner among those boats eligible. The winner of the Daphne Cup will not be eligible to win the Designer's Tankard.

13.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 For further information please see the Foynes Yacht Club website or contact Bev Lowes at 086 6090532.