



29er Easterns & Open Skiff Event
Blessington Sailing Club
25-26th June 2022
NOTICE OF RACE



1. Rules

- 1.1. The series will be governed by the rules as defined in ***The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 to 2024.***
- 1.2. The prescriptions of the IS or RYA, the rules of 29er Class Association.
- 1.3. The organizing authority shall be the Blessington Sailing Club.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The 29er Easterns is open to all current (fully paid up) members of the Irish 29er Class Association, or members of an equivalent 29er National Class Association, or members of the International 29er Class Association.
- 2.2. The Open Skiff event is open to all skiffs single and double handed (49er, 49erFX, Int14, Musto skiff, RS700, RS800...). In doubt with the eligibility of your skiff, contact Thomas at dinghyperformance2017@gmail.com. No class membership will be required
- 2.3. 29er competitors may apply for a temporary event membership of the Irish 29er Class Association at the event upon payment of €5 per crew member to the Irish 29er Class Association.
- 2.4. All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of the host club for the duration of the event.
- 2.5. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying the required fee.
- 2.6. Competitors under 18 years of age during the event shall submit signed Parent/Guardian declarations before racing.
- 2.7. Competitors must be 13 years old before 31st December 2022. Entries from sailors under this age will NOT be accepted by the Organising Authority

3. Fees

- 3.1. The entry fee for the event is **€100** for 29ers and double handed skiffs and **€60** for single handed skiffs. A surcharge of **€30** will apply for entries received after April 25th, 2022.
- 3.2. Membership fee for the IRL 29er Association is €25.

4. Schedule

Day/Date	Time	
Sat 25/06/2022	9.00 – 10.00	Registration
	10.30	Competitors Briefing
	12.00	First Gun
Sun 26/06/2022	10.30	First Gun
	14.30	No warning signal may be made after this time
	ASAP After Last race	Prize Giving

Races are scheduled (up to 5 per day) with succeeding races being started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

5. Measurement

- 5.1. A boat or equipment may be measured at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. The sailing instructions will be available at Registration.

7. The Venue

- 7.1. The racing area will be described at the briefing or may be available on the host clubs and/or IRL 29er website prior to the event.

8. The Courses

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

8.2. The courses shall be windward/leeward with a target time of 30 minutes.

9. Scoring

9.1. One race must be completed to create a valid regatta.

9.2. One discard will be applied to the boats overall score for every multiple of 4 races sailed i.e. 1 discard if 4-7 races sailed, 2 discards if 8-11 races sailed, etc

9.3. The boats overall score will be the total of all races in the event minus any discards.

9.4. The 29er Easterns will be sailed as one fleet.

9.5. The Open Skiff event will be sailed under the 2022 PY system as one fleet.

10. Prizes

10.1. Individual prizes will be awarded to the crew and helm of 1st, 2nd and 3rd boat. Age categories, all female and mixed prizes may be awarded.

11. Personal Safety

11.1. Mandatory – 29er competitors shall carry at all times a SOLAS approved whistle.

12. Risk Statement

12.1. Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone”.

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

- 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;
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 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.

- The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- It is their responsibility to familiarize 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.

13. Insurance

- 13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 Euros per incident or the equivalent.

14. Media Rights

- 14.1. 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.