



# 1720 Eastern Championships 2025

Royal Ulster Yacht Club  
Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th September 2025

## NOTICE OF RACE

**ORGANISING AUTHORITY** This event will be organised by Royal Ulster Yacht Club (RUYC) in conjunction with the 1720 Class Association. We invite sailors of all 1720s to participate in the 1720 Eastern Championships 2025.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the RYA will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 44.1, 44.2, 60.1, 60.3(b), 61.1(a), 61.4(b)(1), A2, A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at [RUYC Event page](#) and 1720 Class Association from Wednesday 24th September 2025.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official noticeboard link will be found on the [RUYC Event page](#).
- 3.2 Racing Rules of Sailing.org (RRS.org) will be utilised to manage the Event.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry is open to boats that comply with the 1720 One Design Class Rules.
- 4.2 Only boats for which the 2025 Class Fee has been paid shall be eligible to compete.

### 5. FEES

- 5.1 Entries shall be made online using the following [Link](#) or scan this QR code:



- 5.2 The Entry Fee is £160 (includes berthing & launching/recovery).
- 5.3 A boat shall not be deemed as entered for this event unless the entire entry form is completed and payment made.

## **6. CREW LIMITATIONS**

- 6.1 The maximum Crew Weight Limit (1720SCR C.1.4) shall be enforced without exception. (450kg).  
6.2 Crew Weigh ins will take place during registration. Please arrive to weigh in as a full crew.

## **7. ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

## **8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**

Does not apply.

## **9. SCHEDULE**

- 9.1 Registration and weigh in of crew will take place at the following time and in the following places;  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September: 1730 – 2000 at Royal Ulster Yacht Club Clubhouse.  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September: 0900 – 0940 at Bangor Marina Office.
- 9.2 Briefing: A Briefing will be held at 0945 on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2025 outside the Marina Office by the access ramp to the pontoons.
- 9.3 6 races are scheduled. Three races are planned per day; however, the Race Committee may schedule extra races on the race days.
- 9.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Saturday is 1055. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sunday is 1025.
- 9.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1400, except following postponements, general recalls and abandonments of a race where the warning signal was made before 1400.

## **10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 10.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.  
10.2 The boat owner or his approved representative will be required to sign a form undertaking to carry safety equipment as listed in the 1720 Class Rules.

## **11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

## **12 VENUE**

The race area will be Belfast Lough.

## **13 COURSES**

The course will be Windward / Leeward and the number of rounds will be displayed on a board on the Committee Vessel.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.  
This changes RRS 31 and RRS 44.1
- 14.2 In addition to RRS 44.2, the following applies: After the first sentence of RRS44.2: On a windward/leeward course, if Mark 1a (windward spreader mark) is set, a boat shall take a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 1a.  
This changes RRS 44.2
- 14.3 The Post Race Penalty and the Appendix T Arbitration will be available. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

## **15. SCORING**

15.1 A minimum of three races will constitute a series.

15.2 When from four or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score.

## **16. SUPPORT PERSON VRESSELS**

Does not apply

## **17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

Does not apply

## **18. BERTHING**

Berthing is provided for the duration of the event for all competing boats included in the entry fee.

## **19. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS**

19.1 Cranage will be available for boats lifting in on: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September: From 12:00-17:00

Lifting out: Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September: Straight after racing

19.2 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the race committee.

## **20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Does not apply

## **21. DATA PROTECTION**

Competitors entering this Event accept a media waiver and give their consent to Royal Ulster Yacht Club, its sponsors and the organising authority to use their name, comments, photographs and likeness in order to promote the Regatta.

## **22. RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 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."

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:

- (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 or omissions;
- (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 or information produced for the venue or event and to extend any safety briefing held for the event.

### **23. INSURANCE**

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

### **24. PRIZES**

24.1 The prize giving for the 1720 Eastern Championships 2025 will take place at Royal Ulster Yacht Club's clubhouse on Sunday 28th September 2025.

24.2 Prizes will be made at the discretion of the OA.

24.3 The Joe English Trophy will be presented by the 1720 Class Association.

### **25. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

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