

**BANGOR TOWN REGATTA 2018**  
**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018**  
**Bangor, County Down**



## **Introduction**

The Bangor Town Regatta will be a multi class regatta for keelboats and dinghies with at least three separate course areas. Not all classes or course areas will be racing on all days. An extensive social program is planned and competitors will be temporary members of both Royal Ulster and Ballyholme Yacht Clubs for the duration of the event. A separate Notice of Race has been issued for the RS 400 and RS 200 Classes.

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

The notation [DP] in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The Regatta will be organised by Royal Ulster Yacht Club and Ballyholme Yacht Club.

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The prescriptions of the RYA will apply.
- 1.3** Other rules that apply include the IRC Rating Rule Parts A-C, Sigma 33 OOD and Class rules where appropriate.
- 1.4** For IRC Classes, IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew weight or number.
- 1.5** Boats entered in IRC Classes shall submit a copy of their IRC Certificate not later than Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2018. No alteration to a boat's TCC will be permitted after this date, except as a result of a rating protest, or to correct Rating Authority errors
- 1.6** Racing rules will be changed as follows: Race Signals AP, 33, 35, 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A4 and A5. The changes will appear, in full, in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.7** Boats in Classes 1, 2, 4 and 6 shall comply with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 4.
- 1.8** All other cruisers shall comply with, at least, World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B

### **2 ADVERTISING**

- 2.1** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. [DP]

### **2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1** The regatta is open to boats of the following Classes:
  - Class 1 IRC boats with TCC 1.041 and above
  - Class 2 IRC boats with TCC from 1.015 to 1.040 (RC35)
  - Class 3 IRC boats with TCC 1.039 or less
  - Class 4 Quarter Ton Class – See Attachment 1 for eligibility.
  - Class 5 NHC boats with Base Number 0.901 or above
  - Class 6 NHC boats with Base Number 0.900 or below
  - Class 7 Sigma 33 OOD
  - Class 8 Restricted Sail Class NHC
  - RS Elite
  - Waverley Class
  - Multihull Dinghies
  - International Laser

Any other class boat that can produce a minimum of six entries will have the option of a class start. Classes that wish to race on less than four days should contact [sailingsecretary@ruyc.uk](mailto:sailingsecretary@ruyc.uk) without delay.

- 2.2 Class divisions and one design classes will be decided after close of entry.
- 2.3 Classes may be altered, divided and amalgamated or boats moved between classes at the discretion of the organising authority.
- 2.4 Boats in Classes 1 to 7 shall fly the appropriate class pennant from their backstay at all times when racing.
- 2.5 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at [www.ballyholme.com](http://www.ballyholme.com) or completing and sending in the attached entry form.
- 2.6 If cancellation of an entry is received by the Organising Authority on or before 1<sup>st</sup> June, the whole fee less an admin fee of £20.00 will be refunded. No other refunds will be made.

### 3 FEES

- 3.1 Required fees are as follows: Discounted rate available up to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018

Class	Full Rate After 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Discounted Rate Paid by 1 <sup>st</sup> June
Class 1 IRC with TCC 1.041 and above	£ 300.00	£ 250.00
Class 2 IRC with TCC from 1.015 to 1.040	£ 264.00	£ 220.00
Class 3 IRC with TCC 1.039 or less	£ 156.00	£ 130.00
Class 4 Quarter Ton Class	£ 156.00	£ 130.00
Class 5 NHC with Base Number 0.901 or above	£ 300.00	£ 250.00
Class 6 NHC with Base Number 0.900 or below	£ 156.00	£ 130.00
Class 7 Sigma 33 OOD	£216.00	£ 180.00
Class 8 Restricted Sail Class NHC	£ 156.00	£ 130.00
RS Elite	£ 156.00	£ 130.00
Waverley Class	£ 84.00	£ 70.00
Multihull Dinghies	£ 72.00	£ 60.00
Lasers	£ 72.00	£ 60.00

- 3.2 Berthing for boats not normally berthed in Bangor Marina is included.
- 3.3 Closing Date for entries will be Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018. Entries will only be accepted after this date in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

### 4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Registration: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 1000 to 1900 at Royal Ulster Yacht Club. Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 0900 – 1100 at Bangor Marina.

- 4.2 Briefing – A Briefing will be held at Bangor Marina at 1100 on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

- 4.3 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Races 1 and 2
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Races 3 to 5
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Races 6 to 8
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Races 9 and 10

- 4.3 Ten Races are scheduled.

- 4.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July is 1300. The scheduled time of the first warning signal subsequent days is 1100

### 5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration and on [www.ballyholme.com](http://www.ballyholme.com).

### 6 SAILING AREA

- 6.1 The Sailing Area will be in the eastern end of Belfast Lough.

### 7 THE COURSES

- 7.1** The courses to be sailed will selected from Windward Leeward, Trapezoid, Old Olympic Triangle and Short Coastal.
- 7.2** All cruisers shall have a working marine VHF on board as some course instructions may be given by VHF.
- 8 PENALTY SYSTEM & ARBITRATION**
- 8.1** The Exoneration Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedures of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. See the official notice board for details. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.
- 9 SCORING**
- 9.1** Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2** When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 9.3** For NHC Classes, a boats handicap will be adjusted after every race. An adjustment in handicap number is not grounds for redress, this changes RRS 62.
- 10 BERTHING**
- 10.1** Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the Marina or Dinghy Park. [DP]
- 11 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
- 11.1** Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. [DP]
- 12 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**
- 12.1** Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta. [DP]
- 13 RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- 13.1** Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 14 SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 14.1** Boats shall not carry anchors that project ahead of the bow.
- 15 PRIZES**
- 15.1** Prizes will be given as follows: First, Second and Third in each class. Further Prizes may be awarded.
- 16 RISK STATEMENT**
- 16.1** 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"
- 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.
- 14 INSURANCE**
- 14.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling per incident or the equivalent.

**END OF NOTICE OF RACE**

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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## **ACCOMMODATION**

Camping, caravans and motorhomes – We have some limited space on site - contact [admin@ballyholme.com](mailto:admin@ballyholme.com) as soon as possible – available on a first come first served basis.

For information on Hotel and Bed and Breakfast Accommodation - contact:

<http://www.visitardsandnorthdown.com>

## **ATTACHMENT 1 – Eligibility for Quarter Ton Class**

1. All boats shall have a current IRC Certificate with a maximum rating of 0.920.
2. All boats shall have a Series Age Date prior to 1996.
3. All boats shall have a Hull Series Date prior to 1996 (Note: Any hull changes should be pre-agreed with the Rating Authority to ensure that modifications do not alter the boat's Hull Date.
4. All boats or a sistership shall have had an RORC Rating of 16 ft or less between 1967- 1970 or an IOR Rating of 17 ft - 18 ft for the years 1971 - 1978, or an IOR Rating of between 17.5 - 18.5 for the years 1979 - 1996.