



Junior Regatta

NOTICE OF RACE

September 16th September 2023

Galway City Sailing Club

53°16'07"N 9°02'16"W

1. Rules

1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021 to 2024](#).

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The event is open to all junior sailors. Junior deemed to be under 18 on the 1st of January 2023

2.3 All competitors will be deemed to be temporary members of the host club for the duration of the event.

2.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and paying the required fee.

3. Fees

3.1 The entry fees for the event are €15 for a single hander and € 20 for a double hander if you own your own boat.

Club boats are available to members to rent at an additional charge of € 5.

4 Schedule

Day/Date	Time	
Saturday 16/09/2023	12.00 – 13.00	Registration
	13.00	Launch
	13.30	First Gun
	15.30	No warning signal may be made after this time
	ASAP After Last race	Prize Giving

4.1 Races are scheduled with succeeding races being started as soon as practical after the finish of the previous race.

5. Competitors – Event Registration and Entry Management

5.1 All competitors must register on [Galway City Sailing Club Website](#) before midnight on Thursday 14th September. Late entries are at the discretion of the Host Club.

5.2 There are only 12 club Picos and 6 club Optibats available for rent so if you need to use a club boat please book early.

6. Sailing Instructions.

6.1 The sailing instructions will be available at Registration, or earlier on the club website.

7. The Venue.

7.1 The racing area will be described in the sailing instructions to follow

8. The Courses.

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

9. Scoring

(1-Day, 4 race event)

- One race must be completed to create a valid series.
- If 4 races are completed, 1 discard will apply

10. Prizes

Main Fleet
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
Regatta Fleet
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
Novice Fleet
1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd

11. Risk Statement

11.1 Rule 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) They will familiarize themselves with any venue/event specific risks, adhere to rules and information produced for the venue/event and attend any venue/event safety briefings.

12. Insurance

12.1 It is the duty of each boat owner to have his boat adequately insured against any risk, including civil responsibility to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of the event.

13. Photography Consent

13.1 By entering the Regatta, competitors and, where relevant, their parents/guardians accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the racing and/or using the Regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

14. Boat Parking & Launching / Recovery

14.1 Boat parking and launching/recovery plans may be posted on the Official Notice Board or website and parking spaces for dinghies may be allocated at Registration. Boats shall only be parked in their allocated space.

14.2 All competitors are required to have a launching trolley suitable for their boat that is fully serviceable and clearly marked.

15 Support Boats

15.1 All support boats shall register with the Race Office. An identification flag which must be conspicuously displayed during the Regatta, may be issued by the OA at registration on payment of a returnable deposit of fee (Typically around €20.00).

15.2 Except when requested by or agreed with the Race Committee or during emergency rescue operations, support boats must stay 100m distant from the race area unless requested to assist by an official race committee boat from the time of the first Warning Signal until the time that the last competitor finishes the last race to be sailed on that race area.

15.3 Support boats shall not tow competitors to or from the Race Area unless requested to assist by an official race committee boat.

15.4 Support boats shall comply with instructions issued by the Race Committee