East Down Yacht Club Ardglass Race Saturday 7th September 2019 Sailing Instructions



Rules and Responsibility: The Ardglass Race shall run in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2018/2019 and the prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) and these sailing instructions.

Changes to Sailing instructions: Any changes will be posted on EDYC Web Site (www.edyc.co.uk) by 18.00hrs the evening before the race. If changes are made code flag "L" will be flown from the mast of EDYC Committee Boat.

IRC Classes 1 & 2: Yachts sailing under the International Rating Certificate (IRC) Rating Authority Scheme must have a current IRC certificate, a copy of which, if the Time Correction Calculation (TCC) is not as listed in the Strangford Lough Regatta Conference (SLRC) Regatta Programme, must be presented to the Race Officer before the first race warning signal.

NHC Handicaps Classes 3, 4 & 5: Any National Handicap Of Cruisers (NHC) entries not registered with the Strangford Lough Regatta Conference (SLRC) in 2019 will need to provide proof of handicap in the form of NHC base number. A boats handicap will be adjusted after the last regatta. An adjustment in handicap number is not grounds for redress, this changes RRS 62.

Class Flags: Class 1 - IRC 0.950 & over - Numeral Pennant 1 Class 2 - IRC 0.949 & under - Numeral Pennant 2 Class 3 - NHC 1 - Numeral Pennant 4 Class 4 - NHC 2 - Numeral Pennant 5 Class 5 - NHC Restricted Sail Yachts – Numeral Pennant 3 Each yacht must display the appropriate class code flag from the backstay or stern rigging in a conspicuous position. If 3 boats or less enter a class, the committee reserve the right to combine classes.

Start Schedule: The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made approx. 5 minutes after the starting signal of the preceding class. A boat will not be given a finish if she starts 10 min after her class starting signal.

Series: The Ardglass race counts towards the Strangford Lough Cruiser Racer Association (SLCRA) Offshore Series.

Class	Warning Signal	Code Flag
Class 5	13.00	Numeral 3
Class 3 & 4	13.10	Numeral 4/5
Class 1 & 2	13.20	Numeral 1/2

Course: The first mark of the course shall be displayed on the Committee Boat, a red card requires the indicated mark to be left to port, a green card to starboard. Thereafter the course is to Ardglass Harbour, leaving both Angus Rock and St. Patrick's Rock to starboard. **If Code Flag W**

is displayed on the Committee Boat at the start of a class, the Strangford Fairway(Safewater) Buoy shall be left to starboard by that class.

Safety: Entrants should be aware that sea conditions between Angus Rock and Ardglass Harbour can be hazardous. The attention of competitors is drawn to the accompanying Risk Statement. Entrants are advised to make certain they carry adequate safety equipment. The onus to do so is on the individual skipper/entrant. Guidelines for this can be found in RORC Category 3. All crew members are advised to wear lifejackets.

Responsibility: All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organising Authority, EDYC and their respective officers, volunteers and members, accept no liability for any injury, loss or damage that may be suffered by any competitor.

Insurance: Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000000.

Starting Line: Between the rear mast of the EDYC Committee Boat and Mark E.

Finishing Line: The Finishing Line shall be a line of sight across the entrance to Ardglass Harbour from the harbour wall to the starboard white obelisk (pointed Pillar).

Finishing Time: Competitors must record their own finishing time. To ensure consistency in timing it is requested that finishing times should be recorded using the clock on the yacht's GPS unit, converted if needed to BST. If this is impossible, competitors may use a watch but it should be checked against a GPS unit as soon as possible after the race. A form for reporting the yachts time is at the end of this document.

Protests and Requests for Redress: Protests, Redress, Hearings, Misconduct and Appeals shall be in accordance with RRS Part 5 Rules 60-71.4.

Protests concerning eligibility of a boat shall be lodged to EDYC Race Committee 30 minutes after the last boat has finished in that class on 7th of September 2019.

Protests or requests for redress arising from the Race shall be delivered to EDYC Race Committee 30 minutes after the finish time of the last boat on the 7th of September 2019

EDYC Race Committee will, within one hour of receipt of a protest, contact both parties with the time and place of hearing. EDYC Race Committee shall not be entitled to abandon the race as a consideration for redress RRS 64.2.

Time Limit: The time limit for all yachts will be 17:30 hrs. All boats still on course after this time will be marked (DNF) did not finish, this replaces RRS 35.

Retirements: Any yacht retiring should advise the Race Officer, using VHF Channel 37, mobile 07498724747 (EDYC Sailing Committee).

Abandonment: In the event of unsuitable conditions the race may be abandoned. This will be signalled by the flying of Code Flag N from the EDYC flagpole and if possible from the mast of the EDYC committee boat. The race committee will also broadcast on Channel 37 as soon as the decision to abandon the race has been made and repeated at intervals.

Results: Results shall be posted at the Phennick Cove Marina as soon as possible after the finish of the last boat.

Prize Giving: Prizes will be awarded on the pontoon side of the Marina, or inside if weather is unsuitable soon after the posting of results.

Awards: Awards will be presented to the first yacht in the IRC Class, NHC Class and NHC Restricted Sail. Classes 1 & 3 share EDYC Ardglass Race Perpetual Cup (to be engraved and remain in the Club's possession) and replicas.

EDYC Contacts: 07498724747 EDYC Sailing Committee VHF Channel 37/M1 - Race Officer

- info@edyc.co.uk -

- Club telephone 028 44 828375, and on Facebook EDYC

Marina Berthing: For information regarding Ardglass Marina, also known as Phennick Cove Marina, Ardglass - Tel/Fax: 028 4484 2332 <u>https://ardglassmarina.com/contact-us</u>

Risk Statement

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore 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, other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

f) They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

g) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover against third party claims.

Tide Times Sat 7th September 2019 Belfast see <u>https://www.belfast-harbour.co.uk/tide-tables/</u> Time BST Height meters

	Time	Height
HW	05:56	3.2
LW	12:16	1.1
HW	18:36	3.0

Ardglass Race

East Down Yacht Club DECLARATION OF RECORDED TIME

It is the vessels responsibility to hand this form into EDYC Race Committee as soon as possible after the race finish.		
Boat NameClub		
Race Class		
I hereby declare that with the exception of the infringement(s), if any, particulars of which are given below:		
1 I was on board and in charge of the above named vessel throughout the race.		
2 The course was completed in compliance with EDYC Sailing Instructions.		
3 There was no infringement of RRS, RYA Prescriptions and ORC Safety Regulations.		
4 There was no infringement of International Regulations for the Prevention of Collision at Sea		
. 5 The finishing time was displayed on the vessels GPS as shown below:		
Finishing Time (BST) (not elapsed time)		
Eg 15 25 40		
HoursMinutesSeconds		
SIGNED		
SIGNED (witness) DATE		
Contact phone number for protest use (Mobile)		