



# East Down Yacht Club

## Icicle Series January 2022

### Sunday Sailing Instructions

Dinghy Handicap 1134 under and Dinghy Handicap 1135 and Over (including WAYFARERS, GP14, LASERS AND TOPPER)

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Date	First Gun	High Water/Low Water Strangford	
January 2nd	12:00	12:13 (HW)	
January 9th	14:30	11:57 (LW)	There will be one race scheduled for this day as sunset is at 16:19
January 16th	12:00	12:11 (HW)	
January 23rd	14:00	10:08 (LW)	
January 30th	14:00	11:14 (HW)	
February 6th	14:00	10:19 (LW)	

- Note: We have set the start times so that the water is favourable to launch and retrieve

#### CLASSES

Class 1: Dinghy Handicap 1135 and Over Wayfarers, GP 14'S and Over Lasers (comprising Full Rig, Radial and 4.7)	Code Flag <b>B</b>
Class 2: Dinghy Handicap 1134 under T (comprising Toppers full rig and 4.2)	Code Flag T

## **START**

Starts will be between the Mark E and the Committee Boat or a mark of the course. Marks will be laid for each course. Mark W may be laid directly to the windward of the committee boat.

There will be 2 starts Dinghies and Toppers.

The start sequence will be 5,4,1,Go – followed by a second and independent sequence

## **FINISH**

Between Mark E and Committee Boat and course mark.

## **COURSE**

Courses will be displayed at the start line. It is planned to have 2 races each day. The courses will be set using Holm Bay, or the Dorn.

## **Scoring**

Scoring - Daily results will be combined to get overall for each day. If a competitor is drawn to drive a safety boat or help with the race team, they will be awarded 2nd place for the day's racing.

## **Results**

Overall Results - Low points system will be used.

If 8 races or more racing, then 3 discards will be used. 2 discards if 7 or less races completed.

## **W WHISKEY FLAG**

The race committee may also award a finishing score to a boat that is still racing by displaying to her from a committee vessel (which may be in motion) flag W with one sound signal. A boat so notified is no longer required to sail the course (this changes RRS 28.1), shall stop racing and shall return to the starting area, or return ashore if there is no more racing. A finishing score under this Sailing Instruction will be the score she would have received had she sailed the course without gaining or losing any place. [NP]

## **COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the [window of the club nearest the front entrance] and by way of the series WhatsApp Group.

## **Entry Fee**

£10.00 per boat - entry form available

## **Safety and Risk**

Competitors participate in the event at their own risk. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

Racing Risk 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 attend any safety briefing held for the event.

## **COVID-19 Statement**

By taking part in any of the events covered by this Notice of Race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/yacht club COVID-19 procedures.

Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

## **INSURANCE**

Every helmsman is to be a member of a RYA recognised club. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

## **SAFETY**

In amendment of Racing Risk Sailing 1.2 & 40, all sailors shall wear adequate personal buoyancy when afloat.