



EAST DOWN YACHT CLUB ARDGLASS RACE

SATURDAY 30 July 2016. HW Strangford 10:40 & 23:10 BST

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

This race, from East Down Yacht Club to Ardglass Harbour, is open to yachts registered with the Strangford Lough Regatta Conference.

Rules Racing shall be in accordance with current ISAF racing rules of sailing, the prescriptions of the RYA and these sailing instructions.

Classes 1. Yachts sailing under the IRC Rating Authority Scheme (these yachts must have a current IRC certificate, a copy of which, if the TCC is not as listed in the SLRC regatta programme, must be presented to the Race Officer **before the race starts**).

2 and 3. Yachts sailing under the RYA National Handicap for Cruisers (NHC) scheme with handicaps as listed on the SLRC website 8 July 2015.

Class Flags Class 1 - IRC yachts - Numeral Pennant 1.
Class 2 - NHC yachts - Numeral Pennant 2.
Class 3 - 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.

Start Schedule The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made 5 minutes after the starting signal of the preceding class

Class	Starting signal	Code flag
Class 3	09:30	Numeral 3
Class 2	09:40	Numeral 2
Class 1	09:50	Numeral 1

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

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 Buoy shall be left to starboard by that class.

- Finishing Line** The Finishing Line shall be a line of sight across the entrance to Ardglass Harbour from the harbour wall to the Starboard obelisk.
- Time Limit** The time limit for all yachts will be 1400 hrs.
- Retirements** Any yacht retiring should advise the Race Officer at Ardglass, using VHF Channel 37 or other appropriate means.
- 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.
- Results** Results shall be posted at the Phennick Cove Marina as soon as possible after the finish time of the last boat.

Prizegiving will take place within 30 minutes of results posting, on the pontoon side of the Marina, or inside if weather is unsuitable.
- Awards** To the first yacht in each class as follows:
Classes 1&2: Shared EDYC Ardglass Race perpetual trophy (to be engraved and remain in the Club's possession) and replicas.

Class 3: an award

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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.

Information:

LW Strangford approx – 1655 hrs BST

EDYC contact **Phone:** 028 44 828 375

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Race day

VHF: Channel 37

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Berthing fees For information regarding berthing fees etc. at Phennick Cove Marina, Ardglass, please contact:-

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