ISORA – Irish Sea Offshore Racing Association



Supplemental Sailing Instructions





ISORA Offshore Series 2019 Race 3 Dun Laoghaire — Holyhead

Saturday 4th May 2019 Organised by the National Yacht Club www.nyc.ie.

Date	Number of Races	Warning Signal
Saturday 4 th May 2019	Offshore Race	0755hrs

This Supplementary Information MUST be read in conjunction with the ISORA OFFSHORE SERIES 2019 General Sailing Instructions.

For details see ISORA website – www.isora.org

On Line Results by Sailwave





ISORA Offshore Race No. 3 2019

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1. Organisation.

- 1.1. The 2019 ISORA Race No. 3 is organised by the National Yacht Club (NYC) and ISORA.
- 1.2. Enquiries, correspondence and entries should be sent to:- ISORA Chairman chair@ISORA.org

2. Rules.

- 2.1. The Racing will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the ISORA General Sailing Instructions 2019.
- 2.2. IRC rules part A, B & C shall apply to IRC racing.
- 2.3. The requirements of Category 3 plus Liferaft of the OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS 2018-2019 apply to this race. Details of these are on the ISORA website.
- 2.4. In the event of conflict, the ISORA 2019 General Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7

3. Entries, Registration & Eligibility

- 3.1. Competitors for the 2019 ISORA Offshore Race No. 3 must complete the entry form and pay the on-line race fee to ISORA see the ISORA <u>web site</u>
- 3.2. The 2019 ISORA Offshore Race will provide racing for the ISORA Classes; Zero, One and Two or as amended.
- 3.3. Class Flags will be flown from the backstay of each competing yacht.
- 3.4. Yachts shall belong to or be chartered to and be under the control of a member of a yacht club affiliated to the IS or RYA or other equivalent national authority.
- 3.5. Entries and payment, shall be made on the Official Entry Form on the ISORA web site >here.
- 3.6. The Race Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and/or to ask any boats to complete further undertaking or declarations before accepting their entry.

4. Measurement

4.1. A valid and current IRC rating certificates must be presented on request to the Sailing Committee.

5. Compliance with Class Rules; Certificates

5.1. The Race Committee may inspect or measure any boat or personal equipment, at any time.

6. Changes in Sailing Instructions

6.1. Any change to the Supplemental Sailing Instructions or General Sailing Instructions will be posted on the ISORA webs Site by 18.30hrs on the day before it will take effect.

7. Schedule of Races.

- 7.1. The race schedule is shown on the front page of this Supplemental Sailing Instructions.
- 7.2. There will be one start for all classes
- 7.3. The Race Officer may decide to have separate starts for each class or a group of classes. This will be announced by VHF (Channel 37 M) and flags.
- 7.4. The type of racing will be a long Offshore Race and the course will be announced on the Thursday prior to the Race on the web site.

8. Time of Start

- 8.1. The race start times will be as shown on the front page of this SSIs or as amended
 - 07.55 Warning signal Class flags (Numerals 1 & 2) hoisted
 - 07.56 Preparatory Signal Blue Peter hoisted
 - 07.59 Blue Peter down
 - 08.00 Start Class flags down
- 8.2. The start may be broadcast on VHF Channel 37

9. STARTING LINE

- 9.1. The start line shall be located in Scotsman's Bay between the DBSC 'Pier' mark and an adjacent committee boat flying a NYC burgee. It may not be anchored and may be using engine power to hold station. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.2. Prior to the start of each race boats are requested to obtain acknowledgement from the Race Committee.

9.3. The committee boat will maintain the line for 10 minutes after the start. After that time, if any boats have not crossed the start line, DBSC "Pier" will become a mark on the course and boats must leave that mark to Port.

10. THE COURSE

10.1. Weather permitting the course will be approximately 50 miles long. The course may be as follows:

STARTING LINE at Dun Laoghaire

TBA

FINISH LINE at Holyhead

- 10.2. The Course will be and published on the ISORA web site and announced to all entrants by text and email by Thursday evening 2nd May 2019
- 10.3. The course will be confirmed afloat to the competitors on VHF CH 37 (M) before the start.

11. TSS at South Burford

11.1. Please be aware that commercial vessels will be navigating in or approaching the traffic separation schemes in that vicinity; please be aware that Rule 10 of the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea requires that "a sailing vessel shall not impede the safe passage of a power-driven vessel following a traffic lane" it further states "(f) A vessel navigating in areas near the terminations of traffic separation schemes shall do so with particular caution" and "(h) A vessel not using a traffic separation scheme shall avoid it by as wide a margin as is practicable"

12. Waypoints

- 12.1. Waypoints may be used as marks. If so, Rule 28 will be amended accordingly in accordance with the RYA / RORC Guidance "Racing Around Waypoints" See website for details
- 12.2. Evidence of rounding the "virtual" mark must be taken and may be requested by the Race Officer. This evidence may include:
- 12.3. Photographic (iPhone or similar) evidence of the yacht's GPS showing its position at the mark.
- 12.4. Yacht's chart plotter track showing the yacht rounding the "virtual" mark. This must be transmittable to ISORA by email.
- 12.5. The onus of proof of having rounded the WAYPOINT mark will be with each yacht.

13. ISORA YB Tracker

- 13.1. All boats entered in the race will be fitted with the YB Tracker. The Skipper, accepting the units will be responsible for the replacement cost of the unit in a situation that the unit gets lost or damaged.
- 13.2. The units can be collected from Peter Ryan at the Marina on Saturday 4th May at 06.45. Boats not based in Dun Laoghaire may collect their units from the Committee boat at the start line but only by prior agreement.
- 13.3. In order to set up the units all boats who are entered must declare that they are racing by 12.00 on Thursday 2nd May. This declaration is a text to +353 87 2545037 stating that "Boat name" will be racing on Saturday Sunday. This is critical for the efficient running of the tracking system.
- 13.4. The trackers must be returned to Peter Ryan in the Holyhead Sailing Club immediately after the race on Saturday 4th May or by special agreed arrangement.
- 13.5. The tracking can be followed on the YB Tracking app for iPhones and Android. On downloading the app, the "ISORA 2018 Series".
- 13.6. Any queries relating to the Trackers should be dealt with by contacting Peter Ryan +353 87 2545037.

14. SHORTENED RACES

14.1. The race may be shortened at a mark and will be signalled by calling the fleet on **VHF Ch 37 (M)**. If the fleet doesn't finish a race or shortened race, the race committee may take the result from the mark at which one third or more of the fleet round from the direction of the previous mark.

15. FINISH LINE

- 15.1. The finish line shall be a line between the green light at the "centre elbow" of the Holyhead breakwater and the Quarterdeck of Holyhead Sailing Club, bearing approximately 226(T). See image.
- 15.2. Boats should keep clear of the rocks immediately inside the end of the breakwater.





- 15.3. The boat leading the fleet shall contact "ISORA Finisher" when approximately 1 hour from the finish.
- 15.4. All boats approaching the finish line should contact the "ISORA Finisher" when about 10 minutes from the finish.
- 15.5. The Finisher will be operating on **VHF Ch 37 (M1).** Please note that the finisher will only have a handheld radio and you may not receive an acknowledgment to the first contact.
- 15.6. The finisher will be on station for approximately two hours after the finishing of the second boat.
- 15.7. There will be no sound signal at the finish. The Finisher may radio confirmation of the finish.
- 15.8. The finish will be automatically recorded by the YB Tracker and the finish times will appear instantly on the app.
- 15.9. The finish time of your boat and the name of the boat ahead and behind shall be recorded. Also, the time of rounding each mark should be recorded in the log by each boat. The time of the finish or, in the case of a retirement, the time of rounding the last mark shall be text to ISORA at +353 87 2545037 as soon as possible after the race.
- 15.10. The above procedure is mandatory and deemed to be a "Declaration" that the yacht has completed the course in accordance with the sailing instructions.
- 15.11. There is no time limit for the ISORA race.

16. RETIREMENTS

- 16.1. Text ISORA on 00353 87 2545037.
- 16.2. For safety it is recommended to also inform the Coastguard by VHF.

17. Advertising

- 17.1. The racing will be a Category C event.
- 17.2. All yachts may be presented with a sponsor's flag or decals, which must be displayed at all times (if provided).

18. Scoring System

18.1. Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing and for ISORA using the ISORA series scoring.

19. Risk Statement

- 19.1. THE DECISION WITH REGARD TO STARTING AND CONTINUING A RACE LIES DEFINATIVELY WITH THE SKIPPER OF EACH BOAT AS HE / SHE ALONE IS AT ALL TIMES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY OF HIS / HER OWN BOAT AND CREW
- 19.2. RRS 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."
- 19.3. Sailing is by its nature 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 omission;
- (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 are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is 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.
- (h) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3,000,000 against third party claims.

20. Safety

20.1. The requirements of **Category 3 plus Liferaft** of World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2018 are recommended for this race. Details of these are on the ISORA website.

21. Personal Safety

21.1. RRS 1.2, 40 shall apply and it is the sole responsibility of the skipper to ensure that Life Jackets/Harness lines are carried for each member of the crew.

22. Moorings at Holyhead, Launch Service & Après Sail

- 22.1. Contact Holyhead Sailing Club for mooring and launch service on **VHF Ch 37 (M1).**
- 22.2. Last Launch service at 0015hrs Sunday
- 22.3. It is proposed to gather in Holyhead Sailing Club after the race for an "Après Sail" where the results can be obtained, the track of the race can be viewed, and the experiences exchanged.

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