



Key Yachting

J Cup Ireland 2023
(for J109, J80, J24 and Mixed IRC J Boat Classes)

Incorporating:

J109 National Championships
J80 National Championships
J24 Eastern Championships

hosted by the

ROYAL IRISH YACHT CLUB

Saturday 26th – Sunday 27th August 2023

Kindly supported by



NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by the Royal Irish Yacht Club.

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
The notation '[NP]' in a rule in this NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This Changes RRS 60.1(a).*

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing., the prescriptions of Irish Sailing, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and any amendments thereto, and the below specified Class Rules, where amended in accordance with RRS 87.
- 1.2 J109 Class Ireland Rules will apply. Irish application shall apply in full.
- 1.3 J-80 Class Rules – The International J/80 Class Rules shall apply with the following changes:
 - Class Rule C 4.1 (crew weight limit) will not apply, there will be no Crew Weight Limit.
- 1.4 J24 Class Association (Ireland) Class Rules shall apply in full. There will be no weigh in required for this event.
- 1.5 IRC Classes will race under the IRC Rating Rule and the Irish Sailing ECHO Performance Handicap rule except that IRC Rule 22.4 is deleted – there will be no crew number or weight limit enforced.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions shall be available online from the RIYC website https://www.riyc.ie/Sailing_News/Key_Yachting_J_Cup_Ireland from Wednesday 23rd August.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://www.riyc.ie/Sailing_News/Key_Yachting_J_Cup_Ireland
- 3.2 [DP][NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 71
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Failure to make such broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress (this changes RRS 62.1).
- 3.4 [DP][NP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes:

Class:	Eligibility:
J/80	Boats that comply with the J/80 Class Rules.
J/109	Boats that comply with the J/109 Class Rules.
J/24	Boats that comply with the J/24 Class Rules.
IRC	J Boats having an endorsed IRC certificate with a handicap of 0.960 or greater.

- 4.2 IRC entrants may be split into multiple classes based on rating at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.3 All Owners and Helmsmen shall be paid up members of their National Sailing Authority.
- 4.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form available online at https://www.riyc.ie/Sailing_News/Key_Yachting_J_Cup_Ireland up to and including the 20th August 2023.
- 4.5 After 20th August 2023 late entries will only be accepted subject to the discretion of the Organising Authority.

5. FEES

Class	ENTRY FEE	EARLY BIRD ENTRY Entries received before 30 th June
J109 & IRC Boats	€250	€200
J80	€200	€160
J24	€200	€160
J24/J80 Under 25 teams	€150	€120

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 [DP][NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration:

Date	From	To
Friday 25 th August	12:00	19:00
Saturday 26 th August	08:00	10:00

7.1 Crew weigh in (J109 Class only)

Date	From	To
Friday 25 th August	12:00	19:00
Saturday 26 th August	08:00	10:00

7.2 A briefing will take place on Saturday 26th of August at 10:30. Further details will be available in the Sailing Instructions

7.3 Number of races

Class	Saturday 26 th August	Sunday 27 th August
J109	3	3
J80	3	3
J24	3	3
Mixed IRC J Boats	3	3

7.4 Times of racing

- The Warning Signal for the first race on Saturday 26th August will be: 11:55hrs
- The Warning Signal for the first race on Sunday 27th August will be: 11:25 hrs.

7.5 The first warning signal of a race will not be made after 15.00hrs on Sunday 27th August.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with Class Rules, NoR and SIs.

9. VENUE

9.1 The regatta will be sailed in the waters of Dublin Bay in the vicinity of Dun Laoghaire Harbour.

10. THE COURSES

The courses will be Windward-Leeward and/or Round the Cans courses. The course details will be subject to confirmation in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTIES

11.1 For all class RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply. If a party, having been informed that an Arbitration Meeting will be held, does not attend, other parties may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time until the protest committee has completed taking evidence. This changes RRS Appendix T1(a).

12. SCORING

12.1 A minimum of 2 races shall be sailed to constitute a series.

12.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

12.3 When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 13.1 [NP] A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the Race Committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

14. BERTHING

- 14.1 Berthing will be available for visiting boats.
14.2 Lift in/out will be available for visiting boats.

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 15.1 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

16. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 16.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.
16.2 Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the event

17. DATA PROTECTION AND USE OF IMAGES

- 17.1 At registration competitors and support persons will be requested to give consent to the following:

Any personal information provided to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate participation in the event. Competitors and support persons are bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. For any person not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy which can be found [at www.riyc.ie](http://www.riyc.ie) When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with Irish Sailing, a competitor's, or support person's national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

- 17.2 By entering the Event competitors and support persons (or their parent or guardian) understands that the Organising Authority may arrange for images or videos to be taken at the event both on the water and on shore for the purpose of promoting the event. Competitors and support persons (or their parent or guardian) will be required to confirm if they give consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media without compensation, which may be in conjunction with the competitor's or support person's (or their parent or guardian) names or not. The images may only be used for the promotion of the event, its sponsors, the Organising Authority, and the Class Associations involved.

18. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
18.2 No responsibility shall be accepted by the Royal Irish Yacht Club, their directors, members, servants or agents nor any of the sponsors, nor those officials or members connected with the Event, for any loss, damage or any other claim of whatever nature however arising or caused in connection with the participation in or intended participation in this event.

19. INSURANCE

- 19.1 Each competing Owner(s) and competing crews shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring and shall maintain Third Party Insurance Cover of not less than One Million Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Euro (€1,250,000) for any accident. All owners/competitors who sign the Entry Form are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover.

20. PRIZES

- 20.1 The Key Yachting J Cup will be awarded to the best performing boat in the event and will be presented to the winner of the class which, in the view of the organising committee, had the best performance of all the classes at the regatta.

- 20.2 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats overall in each class, and the overall winner of the First days racing in each class.
- 20.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1 For further information please contact

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