ISORA – Irish Sea Offshore Racing Association



Supplemental Sailing Instructions V1a





ISORA Offshore Series 2020

Re-Boot Race 4a – Offshore Race 1st Qualifying Race - Weighted at 1.1

Dun Laoghaire – Dun Laoghaire

Organised by the National Yacht Club www.nyc.ie.

Date	Number of Races	Start
Saturday 1 st August 2020	Offshore Qualifying Race	0800hrs

This Supplementary Information MUST be read in conjunction with the ISORA OFFSHORE SERIES 2020 General Sailing Instructions and the latest version of the ISORA Back To Boating Protocol.

For details see ISORA website – www.isora.org

On-Line Results by Sailwave







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1. Organisation.

- 1.1. The 2020 ISORA Offshore Race (Race No.4a in the Series) 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 2020.
- 2.2. IRC rules part A, B & C shall apply to IRC racing.

 RRS part 2 rules will be replaced with the right-of-way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) between the times of local sunset and sunrise; or government right-of-way rules if applicable. A scoring penalty (RRS44.3) will be applicable during these times.
- 2.3. Crew numbers shall be limited to the maximum number specified in the ISORA: Back To Boating Protocol. IRC Rule 22 4.2 shall not apply
- 2.4. The requirements of Category 3 plus Life Raft of the OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS 2019-2020 apply to this race. Details of these are on the ISORA website.
- 2.5. In the event of conflict, this ISORA 2020 Supplemental Sailing Instructions (SSIs) will prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 2.6. At all times competitors will follow the ISORA: Back to Boating Protocol

3. Entries, Registration & Eligibility

- 3.1. Competitors for the 2020 ISORA Offshore Race must complete the entry form and pay the on-line race fee to ISORA see the ISORA web site
- 3.2. The 2020 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. 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.

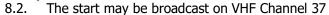
7. Schedule of Races.

- 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 web site on the Friday prior to the Race.

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







9. Registration of Crew – ISORA Crew Manager

- 9.1. Skippers must register the following details, for all crew members, on the 'ISORA Crewmanager App':
- 9.2. Crew Name and mobile phone number
- 9.3. Shore Contact Name and phone number for each crew member
- 9.4. The information will only be used:
- 9.5. for safety purposes and in an instance of an emergency.
- 9.6. if required in association with the ISORA Covid Protocol and Contact Tracing

10. STARTING LINE

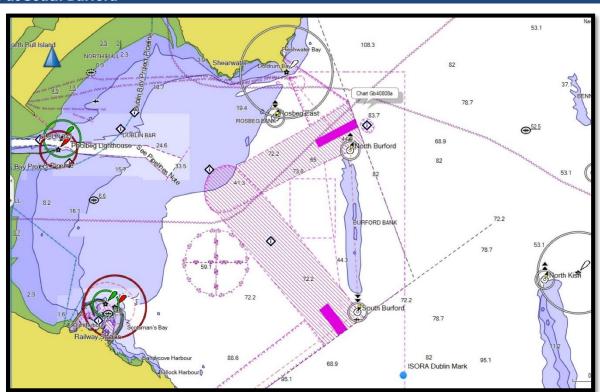
- 10.1. The start line shall be located to the west of the harbour entrance and between the Dun Laoghaire Outfall Buoy and the starting rib / committee boat which will be to the north of the buoy and may be flying a NYC burgee. It may not be anchored and may be using engine power to hold station. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.2. 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 the Dun Laoghaire Outfall Buoy will become a mark on the course and boats must leave that mark to Starboard.
- 10.3. The Race Officer may decide on an alternative start line.
- 10.4. The start line will be confirmed on the ISORA web site and may be communicated by text and email at least 24 hours before the race start.

11. THE COURSE

- 11.1. Weather permitting the course will be about 50 miles long. The course may be as follows:

 STARTING LINE at Dun Laoghaire as defined in this Supplemental Sailing Instruction
 TBA
 - FINISH LINE at Dun Laoghaire as defined in this Supplemental Sailing Instruction
- 11.2. The Course will be and published on the ISORA web site and may be communicated to all entrants by text and email by least 24 hours before the race start.
- 11.3. The course will be confirmed afloat to the competitors on VHF CH 37 (M) before the start.

12. TSS at South Burford



12.1. 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"

12.2. Please note that a Virtual Mark may be set to keep the fleet away from the South Burford Cardinal and this is defined as **ISORA Dublin Virtual mark (S)** N53 17.110 W6 00.100 (S)

13. Waypoints

- 13.1. 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
- 13.2. Evidence of rounding the "virtual" mark must be taken and may be requested by the Race Officer. This evidence may include:
- 13.3. Photographic (iPhone or similar) evidence of the yacht's GPS showing its position at the mark.
- 13.4. Yacht's chart plotter track showing the yacht rounding the "virtual" mark. This must be transmittable to ISORA by email.
- 13.5. The onus of proof of having rounded the WAYPOINT mark will be with each yacht.

14. ISORA YB Tracker

- 14.1. 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.
- 14.2. The units can be collected from Peter Ryan at the Marina on the day of the race from 06.45 hrs. Boats not based in Dun Laoghaire may collect their units from the Committee boat at the start line but only by prior agreement.
- 14.3. In order to set up the units all boats who are entered must declare that they are racing by 12.00 on Thursday 30th July. 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.
- 14.4. The trackers must be returned to Peter Ryan in National Yacht Club immediately after the race on or by special agreed arrangement.
- 14.5. The race progress can be tracked by following the YB Tracking app for iPhones and Android. On downloading the app, the "ISORA 2020 Series".
- 14.6. Any gueries relating to the Trackers should be dealt with by contacting Peter Ryan +353 87 2545037.

15. SHORTENED RACES

15.1. 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.

16. FINISH LINE

- 16.1. The finish line shall be between the Pier Ends at the Dun Laoghaire Harbour entrance.
- 16.2. The finish will be automatically recorded by the YB Tracker and the finish times will appear instantly on the app. There may be no Finisher on the line.
- 16.3. 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.
- 16.4. The above procedure is mandatory and deemed to be a "Declaration" that the yacht has completed the course in accordance with the sailing instructions.
- 16.5. There is no time limit for the ISORA race.

17. RETIREMENTS

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

18. Advertising

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



19. Scoring System

- 19.1. Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing and for ISORA using the ISORA series scoring.
- 19.2. This race is weighted at 1.1 (see 2020 Section 9 General Sailing Instructions)

20. Risk Statement

- 20.1. 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
- 20.2. 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."
- 20.3. 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.

21. Safety

- 21.1. Competitors must adhere to the requirements of <u>Category 3 plus Life Raft</u> of World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2020 for this race. Details of these are on the ISORA website.
- 21.2. Competitors must adhere to the ISORA Back to Boating Protocol

22. Personal Safety

22.1. 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.

23. Après Sail

23.1. There will not be any organised Après Sail, though the NYC will be open for bookings

