YACHTING MALTA RACE WEEK
&
ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB

ANNOUNCE THE

MALTA NATIONAL RANKING DINGHY REGATTA

21st & 22nd MAY, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

Abbreviations

SP Rules for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the Protest Committee with a hearing

DP Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

NP Rules that are not ground for protest by a boat. This changes Racing Rule of Sailing 60.1 (a)

1 RULES

1.1 The ***RMYC national Ranking Dinghy Regatta*** is organised by the Royal Malta Yacht Club, and will be governed by this Notice of Race, and as may be changed by the sailing instructions, by the following rules:

1.1.1 IODA Class ruuls 2022

1.1.2 ILCA Class rules 2022.

1.1.3 International Feva Class Rules

1.1.4 International Topper Class Rules

1.1.5 The Sailing Instruction that may be issued for the event.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may display advertising as allowed by their classes according to WS Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display event advertising provided by the Organising Authority as provided for by WS Regulation 20.4.1.

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3 ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes, where FIVE or more boats shall constitute a class:-;-

[a] Optimist Class

    Either;- [1] Open Division – Boys & Girls born between 2006 and 2010 (12 – 15yrs)within which the

        [2] Cadet Division – Boys and Girls born between 2010 and 2012 (8-11yrs) whose results shall be extrapolated from the open class.

    OR;-   **[3] Beginners Division -** Boys and Girls born between 2008 and 2012, and have been sailing for not more than 12 months.

[b] All ILCA Classes, without age or weight limits.

[c] Double Handed Classes;- RS Feva, and 29er.

[d] Handicap Class, Portsmouth yardstick rating.

4 REGISTRATION AND ENTRY FEE.

    a. All entrants must register with the RMYC secretariat, on-line registration must subsequently be finalised in hard copy, by not later than 1230hrs on Friday 20th May, 2022.

    b. The Parent or Guardian of entrants under 18 years of age need to sign the hardcopy entry form and disclaimer.

    c. The entry fee for 1 person boats is EUR 20.00

    d. The entry fee for 2 person boats is EUR 30.00

    e. All entry fees are being donated to the Malta Community Chest Fund.

5   NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

a.   Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Royal Malta Yacht Club, outside the Sailing School Office. A whatsApp group chat will also be set up to advise competitors of notices and other relevant information.

b.   In addition, it is planned that a mobile app, EVENTORY, will give information and visibility for entrants and the general public of the registration process, race progress and positioning.

6   CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

a.   Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0930hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be published not later than 2100 hrs on the day before it is to take effect.

7   SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

a.   Signals made ashore will be displayed on a mast at the Royal Malta Yacht Club.

8   SCHEDULE OF RACES

   a.   Saturday 21st May, First warning Signal for the 1st Race 1200hrs.
        ILCA CLASSES to sail TWO non-ranking races
        Optimist Classes to sail FOUR ranking races.
   b.   Sunday 22nd May First Warning Signal for the 1st Race 1100hrs.
        Ilca Classes to sail FOUR ranking races.
        Optimist Classes to sail TWO ranking races.
   c.   The race committee reserves the right to alter the schedule for weather or other considerations.
   d.   At tleast Two Races need to be sailed to constitute the Regatta.

9   RACING AREA

a.   Racing area will be off the Sliema foreshore, between Marsamxett and Dragonara.

10   THE COURSE

a.   Trapezoid course layout, inner and outer loops will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

11   THE START

a.   Races will be started using RRS 26, with the first warning signal given 5 minutes prior to the starting signal.
b.   The Start line will be between masts flying orange flags committee vessels.

12   THE FINISH

a.   The Finish will be:-
     ILCA classes on a line to Starboard of the Start committee vessel.
     Optimist between Mark 2 and a committee vessl flying a blue flag.

13   PENALTIES

a.   A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under RRS 31.2 or under RRS 44.1 for breaking a Rule of Part 2 shall inform the Race Committee before the end of protest time, by completing the appropriate forms available at the Race Office.

14 PRIZES

      a.   Prizes will be awarded for the 1st 2nd and 3rd boy and Girl in one person classes, with five or more entrants.

      b.   Prizes for other classes will be

15 DISCLAIMER

a.   All competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn *to WS RRS 4, Decision to Race*. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for personal or material damage, injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the race. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including adequate insurance cover shall be the sole responsibility of the owner and or the person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise during the duration of the race.

b.   Neither these sailing instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management. The RMYC, race organisers and/or sponsor shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury howsoever caused to the owner/person in charge or crew, as a result of their taking part in the race or races. Moreover, every owner/person in charge warrants the suitability of the boat for the race or races.

16 INSURANCE

a.   By participating, each boat acknowledges and implies that it has adequate third-party liability insurance, valid while racing.

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