



Dinghy Summer Series

Carrickfergus Sailing Club

6 May to 26 August 2026

Notice of Race

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available at www.carrickfergussc.org.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The event is open to all boats of the RS400 and PY Dinghy classes.
- 3.2. The RYA PY Handicap system applies to boats racing under the PY Dinghy class.
- 3.3. Classes are defined as follows: RS400 and PY Dinghy.
- 3.4. All Competitors must be Sailing Members/Associates of Carrickfergus Sailing Club.
- 3.5. Boats may enter the event by registering online at www.carrickfergussc.org.
- 3.6. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements.
- 3.7. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the race committee.

4. FEES

- 4.1. Entry fees are as follows: Free.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Dates of racing:
Early - Wednesday 6 May to 1 July 2026.
Late - Wednesday 15 July to 26 August 2026.
- 5.2. Number of races:
Early - 18
Late - 14
- 5.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1912.

6. VENUE

- 6.1. The Racing Area will be close to Carrickfergus Sailing Club.

7. COURSES

- 7.1. The course to be sailed will be as follows: Windward/Leeward.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1. For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 8.2. The Post-Race Penalty, Advisory Hearing and RYA Arbitration of the RYA Rules Disputes procedures shall apply (for information on the procedures, go to www.rya.org.uk/go/rules). The outcome of an RYA Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee, but an arbitration cannot be reopened or appealed.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2. (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When from five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
(c) When from nine to twelve races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
(d) When from thirteen to sixteen races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
(e) When seventeen or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her four worst scores.
- 9.3. RRS A5.3 applies.

10. RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1. Rule 3 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.'
- 10.2. 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 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, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer 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) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to

this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

(i) Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least £3million against third party claims.

11. INSPECTIONS

11.1. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

12. PRIVACY STATEMENT

12.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be 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. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

13. PRIZES

13.1. Prizes will be given as follows: First place for three or more average starters, Second place for four or more average starters, Third place for five or more average starters.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1. For further information please contact sailing@carrickfergussc.org.