



Inaugural Volvo 6.50 mini Round Ireland Race

June 30th 2018

Notice of Race

1. ORGANISATION

The inaugural Volvo 6.50 mini Round Ireland race will start in Wicklow on Saturday 30th June 2018. The Organising Authority referred to in this Notice of Race is Wicklow Sailing Club (WSC) and administered by the Race Committee (the Committee).

2. RULES

The race will be governed by:

- The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (World Sailing) 2017-2020)
- The Offshore Sailing Regulations 2018 – category 2 race.
- The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS)
- The 2018 Classe Mini rules (see the 2018 Mini Guide).
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3. ADVERTISING

In accordance with the article 20.3 (d) (i) of the Advertising Code (World Sailing) and the article R-17 of the 2018 Guide Mini, each boat may be required to display an advertising chosen and supplied by the Race Authority. Applying a sticker and its maintenance will be under the responsibility of the crew whom will have to replace it if necessary.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

4.1. The Volvo 6.50 mini Round Ireland is open to all boats complying with the 2018 Classe Mini rules and hold a valid Class Measurement Certificate. This race is classified as a **B Level Race** by the Classe Mini. **The race is for double handed boats only.**

4.2. Any crew member under the age of 18 on 30th June 2018 shall provide written consent of their parent or legal guardian, which consent shall be attached to the crew list submitted on registration before the race.

4.3. Eligible boats can register online at www.wicklowsailing.com/volvoclassmini by completing the on-line form together with payment of the registration fee (€350 – this includes a €150 non-refundable tracker fee).

4.4. Both crew members must have completed training to OSR, Section 6 (Appendix G) (including training in survival at sea as required by OSR 6.01)..

4.5. At least one member of the crew shall have a first aid certificate completed within the last 5 years (see article 6.05.2 of the 2018-2019 OSR or article R-10 of the 2018 Guide Mini).

4.6. The Race Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry (R.76 of the RRS 2017 - 2020).

5. REGISTRATION

5.1. Registration is open from **April 15th, 2018** – Registration must be submitted online.

5.2. Entries will be restricted to 20 **boats**.

However, the Committee reserves the right to:

- accommodate additional boats to take part in the race;
- refuse registrations.

5.3. The entry fee is **€350**.

5.4. The **entry form must be completed online**

5.5. For the registration to be valid

it is imperative that:

A - The "compulsory" clauses of the entry form must be duly filled in

B - Entry fees must be paid either online with a credit card or by bank transfer:

C – A copy of the *Certificate of compliance with the 2018 Mini Rules* must be uploaded with the entry form or emailed to info@roundireland.ie

5.6. Registration must be submitted by **Tuesday May 28th 2018** after this date, the Committee have the right to refuse entries.

6. Race Course

6.1 The Race Course is "Leave Ireland and all of its islands, excluding Rockall, to starboard." The race will start and finish in Wicklow. The distance is approximately 704NM

6.2 It will be mandatory for all boats to carry a Tracker Unit for the duration of the race. The Organising Authority may use the information received from the system for media coverage of the race as well as for technical and safety purposes. Participants shall be responsible for the beacon while on board and shall return it to the Race Office after the race. In the event of loss or failure to return the tracker, competitors will be liable for the rental or replacement costs of €800.

6.3 All boats must be equipped with an operational AIS Transponder. Competitors shall ensure that their AIS Transponder is switched on (transmitting and receiving) at all times for the entire duration of the race.



7. NAUTICAL DOCUMENTS AND CHARTS

Skippers will have to show the following documents and charts at the security check before the start of the race (see 2018 Guide Mini – B level race). French/foreigners equivalents are accepted if adapted to inshore / offshore navigation.

Nautical documents:

- International Regulations for Avoiding Collisions at Sea (COLREGS);
- Logbook;
- Tide tables;
- Sailing Directions for the race area (Ireland);

- Lights book for the race area (Ireland)
- Charts (paper)
- Irish Sea and Ireland East Coast - Admiralty 1121;
- Ireland South Coast – Admiralty 1123 ;
- Ireland West Coast – Admiralty 1125 ;
- Ireland North Coast – Admiralty 1127 ;

8. SCHEDULE OF EVENT

8.1 Wednesday 27th June - Friday 29th June 2018

Registration / Scrutineering (09:30 - 13:00 & 14:00 - 17:00).

A race office will be open during the above hours at WSC Wicklow and RIYC Dun Laoghaire.

8.2 Friday 29th June

Skippers' reception and Briefing at Wicklow Sailing Club at 18:00 hrs. Both the skipper and co-skipper of a boat intending to compete in the Volvo 6.5 mini Round Ireland Yacht Race should attend the whole of the Race Briefing.

8.3 Saturday 30th June

Official Start for Volvo 6.5 mini Round Ireland Yacht Race 2018.

8.4 Friday 6th July

18.00 hrs Wicklow Sailing Club.

Prize Giving Ceremony

Notes on berthing: Free berthing is available in Wicklow for the week prior to the start of the race and until Sunday July 8th. Marina berthing (not free) is available in Dun Laoghaire and Greystones.

Cost of lift-in and lift-out is at skipper's charge. Lift in/lift out facilities are available in Dun Laoghaire and Greystones and can be arranged in Wicklow subject to demand.

9. Scoring

Scoring will be made in real time after adjusting for any penalties.

10. PRIZES

A Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the 6.50 mini race. Trophies for the winning position, as determined by the Organising Authority, will be presented to the winning yacht at a Prize giving to be held at Wicklow Sailing Club at 18:00 hrs on Friday 6th July 2018. If awards of the trophy cannot be determined by the above time it will be held over and

presented at a later time. Subject to the participation of a sufficient number of entries the Organizing Authority may award separate trophies for proto and series boats.

11. INSURANCE

Every boat (or skipper) taking part in the race must have a valid insurance and third party Civil Responsibility with a minimal cover of 1.5 million of Euros for the race.

12. RESPONSIBILITIES

Competitors participate in the event at their own risk and they alone shall be responsible for their participation. **It is the sole responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to take part in the event, to stop or continue it at any given time according to his or his/her competences, the equipment, the weather conditions, etc. ...**

The 2018 Mini Guide with the Mini rules, the special rules for events and the Mini Class rules is available on the website of the Classe Mini.

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