

Wicklow Sailing Club



**Topper Traveller 2022
Sunday 25th September 2022
Hosted by Wicklow Sailing Club.**

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Wicklow Sailing Club in conjunction with International Topper Class Association of Ireland.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (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 is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 33, 35, 60.1(a), 60.1(b), 61.3, 62.2, A2 A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in this notice of race or in the sailing instructions.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P applies.
- 1.4 RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at www.wicklowsailing.com

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 www.wicklowsailing.com
- 3.2 [DP] 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 event is open to boats of the International Topper Class using a 5.3 or 4.2 sail.
- 4.2 Helm must be a member of the Irish Topper Class Association or other Topper class association. Day membership for the event will be available at registration.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying at

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<https://wicklowsailing.com/wp/2022/08/02/topper-traveller-2022/>

- 4.4 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Boats should enter before September 11th 2022. Late entries will be accepted only in exceptional circumstances and at the discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 4.6 The maximum number of entries for this event is 55.
- 4.6 The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.7 Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.
- 4.8 Should the Organising Authority cancel the event within 36 hours prior to the scheduled start of race 1 any refunds will be at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.

5 FEES

Entry fees are for members of ITCA €30 or fee for day member €37

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

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

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 Registration: Sunday 25th September 2022 from 0730 to 0930.
- 9.2 Briefing – A Briefing will be held at 1000 on Sunday 25th September.
- 9.3 Racing: 25th September, 2022 Races 1 to 4
- 9.4 Four Races are scheduled.
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race is 1125.
- 9.6 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 9.7 No warning signal will be made after 1600

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 11.1 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 11.2 All competitors shall have a launching trolley suitable for their boat that is fully serviceable and clearly marked with their trailer number tag.

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12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be North of Wicklow Harbour.

13 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be Topper Trapezoid.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

Appendix T Arbitration and the post-race penalty shall apply to this event. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

15 SCORING

15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

16 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS No Support Vessels

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The Class Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.

22 RISK STATEMENT

22.1 RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone".

Sailing by its nature is 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 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) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

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22.2 [NP] [DP] COVID Statement

By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that they are responsible for complying with any regulations in force from time to time in respect of COVID-19 and for complying with the venue/OA/sailing club COVID-19 procedures. Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to be unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling €3,000,000 Euro per incident or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

5.3 Fleet			
Youth	14 Years old or more on 1 st January 2022	Female	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
		Male	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
Junior	Under 14 Years old on 1 st January 2022	Female	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
		Male	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd
4.2 Fleet			
Male or Female			1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact events@wicklowsailing.com

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Wicklow Sailing Club is located in Wicklow Town. Some local accommodation options :

Silver Strand Carvan Park: info@silverstrandcaravanpark.ie Tel 040467615

Tinakilly Glamping <https://tinakilly.ie/>

Tinakilly Hotel <https://tinakilly.ie/>

Bridge Tavern <https://www.bridgetavern.ie/>

Halpins Town House B&B <https://www.halpinstownhouse.com/>

For a full list of where to Eat, Drink and stay, see:
<https://visitwicklow.ie/eat-drink-stay/accommodation/>