Simply Blue Group Sovereign's Cup 2023

Incorporating the

1720 European Championships

Wednesday 21st - Saturday 24th June 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

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1720 Sportsboat

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1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND VENUE

The 1720 European Championships 2023 will be organised by Kinsale Yacht Club (the 'OA') in conjunction with the 1720 Sportsboat Class Association and will take place from Wednesday June 21st to Saturday June 24th. The event will be held in Kinsale, Co. Cork.

2. RACING RULES

2.1 Racing will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS). The Irish Sailing Association Prescriptions and 1720 Class Rules shall apply

2.2 The maximum Crew Weight Limit (per 1720 Class Rules, 1720SCR C.1.4, 450kg) shall be enforced without exception.

2.3 Boats may be scrutinised at any time during the event. The boat owner or his approved representative will be required to sign a form undertaking to carry safety equipment as listed in the 1720 Class Rules

2.4 Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail, except that neither shall change nor alter a class rule. This changes RRS 63.7

3 ADVERTISING

3.1 The OA reserves the right to refuse entry to the Event if there is, in its opinion, a conflict between a competitor's sponsor and the Event sponsor.

3.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Entry is open to boats that comply with the 1720 One Design Class Rules

4.2 Only boats for which the 2023 Class Fee has been paid shall be eligible to compete

5 FEES AND ENTRY

5.1 The entry fee for the event is €330, with an early entry discounted fee of €280

5.2 Closing date for entries is 16th June 2023 unless extended by the OA.

5.3 The cutoff date for early entry fee is 15th March 2023.

5.4 The entry fee includes marina berthing for the competing boat from Tuesday night 20th June to Saturday night 24th June inclusive (See paragraph 12 below)

5.5 Craning in and out from the pier in Kinsale is included in the entry fee.

5.6 Entries are accepted at the sole discretion of the OA.

5.7 Entries may be made online through the event website

6 REGISTRATION

6.1 All entrants must register at the event office in KYC.

6.2 Crew weigh-in will take place during registration. Please arrive at weigh-in as a full crew.

6.3 Registration will be available at the following times –
Tuesday 20th June 12:00 to 20:00

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 A Skippers Briefing will be held at 1800 Tuesday 20th June 2023 in Kinsale Yacht Club

7.2 It is proposed to sail 11 races, and a minimum of 3 races must be sailed to constitute a Championship

7.3 The proposed schedule of races will be –

Wednesday 21st June	- 3 races	- warning signal 11:55
Thursday 22nd June	- 3 races	- warning signal 10:55
Friday 23rd June	- 3 races	- warning signal 10:55
Saturday 24th June	- 2 races	- warning signal 10:55

7.4 The Race Committee may amend the above schedule, should weather conditions require, but will not sail more than four races on any day.

7.5 No race will be started after 15:00 Saturday 24th June, except following postponements, general recalls and abandonments of a race where the warning signal was made before 15:00.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at Registration and may be posted online at www.sovereignscup.com

9 RACE AREA

9.1 Races will be sailed in the waters off Kinsale Harbour

9.2 Competitors are advised to ensure there is a working VHF radio on board each boat as the courses may be called out on VHF

10 SCORING

10.1 The Low Point Scoring System Rule A4 will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded according to Section 10.2 below. (Rule A4 is amended to accommodate rule A5 and will be used even when a series is a Regatta)

10.2 Discard will be applied based on races sailed. Where 6 or more races sailed 1 discard will be applied.

11 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta without written permission from the race committee.

12 BERTHING AND CRANAGE

12.1 Marina berths will be available, free of charge, from Tuesday 20th June until 12:00 on Sunday 25th June 2023. Each entry will be allocated a unique sequential number upon receipt of payment to KYC. Marina berths will be allocated in accordance with the best management of the space available combined with this unique sequential number. If a large number of entries are received an overflow Marina or moorings may be used. All Marina berths will be allocated at the discretion of the OA and are subject to suitable space availability.

12.2 Cranage will be available for boats -

Lifting in on - Tuesday 20th June	12:00 – 20:00
Lifting out on - Saturday 24th	ASAP after racing

13 PRIZES

13.1 The Prize Giving Ceremony will take place after racing on Saturday 25th September.

13.2 Perpetual trophies remain the property of the 1720 Class Association

13.3 Day prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA, to be presented in the club after racing each day.

14 SAFETY AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

14.1 The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole responsibility of the person in charge [RRS 46] who must do their best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced crew who have undergone appropriate training and are fit to face the conditions encountered. The person in charge must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, sails, rigging and all gear. The person in charge must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and suitably stowed. The crew must be familiar with the use and position of such safety equipment. The person in charge accepts that the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is theirs and theirs alone. Neither these regulations nor any action of the OA in any way limits or reduces the exclusive responsibility of the owner or the person in charge.

14.2 The wearing of personal flotation devices is a statutory requirement in Ireland for anyone on board a boat under 7 meters in length and by anyone under the age of 16 on the deck of a boat. The wearing of personal flotation devices is recommended on all boats at all times.

14.3 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race. The OA, KYC, their officers, servants, and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss of or damage to property sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

15 INSURANCE

It is the duty of each boat owner to have their boat adequately insured against any risk, including civil responsibility to third parties and to ensure that such insurance remains valid for the entirety of the regatta.

16 MEDIA WAIVER

Competitors give their consent to the OA to use or so license the use of their name, comments, photographs, and likeness as it sees fit for the promotion of the event. The OA reserves the right to use or to license the use of any images and sound recorded during the Event free of charge.

17 SUPPORT BOATS

Restrictions will be placed on the movements of such boats in and around the race area from the warning signal to the finish of the race.

18 ACCOMODATION AND SOCIAL

18.1 Information on local accommodation will be available on the event website.

18.2 Entertainment may be provided after racing each day in the clubhouse.

18.3 Competitors will be granted temporary membership of KYC for the duration of the event. The club reserves the right to withhold or withdraw such membership.

19 SPONSORSHIP

The Sovereign's Cup 2023, incorporating the 1720 European Championships, is proudly sponsored by Simply Blue Group

20 COVID19

After entry applications are opened and until the start of the event the OA will monitor the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic or other potential disruptions to the event and, having regard for the health and safety of all participants as well as any government travel restrictions or government mandated conditions on gatherings that affect participation in or conduct of the Event, may at its sole discretion;

a) Cancel the Event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries at its absolute discretion,
b) Limit the number of classes or entries per class,
c) Restrict the entries from a region,
d) Use the date order of receipt of entry to determine the cancelled entries if limiting class entries,
e) Make any other decision deemed necessary in the circumstances,

f) Refund the entry fee in full should the OA cancel a class or reject an entry.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please visit www.kyc.ie or www.sovereignscup.com or contact:

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