

KINSALE YACHT CLUB DRAGON GOLD CUP 2024



Thursday 5th – Friday 13th September 2024

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Kinsale Yacht Club



Notice of Race

The Organising Authority (OA) is Kinsale Yacht Club (KYC) in conjunction with the International Dragon Association (IDA) and the Clyde Yacht Clubs Association (CYCA).
All times stated in the NoR are local Irish Summer Time.

The notation (NP) in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking this rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The current International Dragon Class Rules and regulations and the Dragon Gold Cup rules apply.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 No Dragon class rule will be changed under RRS 87.
- 1.5 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail (this changes RRS 63.7).
- 1.6 **Compensations and all other actions arising from damages where a boat is subject to the RRS, shall be governed by the proper jurisdiction and shall not be dealt with by a protest committee. This changes RRS 67.**
- 1.7 **RRS 90.3(e) applies with a time limit of 48 hours. This changes RRS 90.3(e).**
- 1.8 Further changes to the rules will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.9 If there is a conflict between languages then English text takes precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available by the 22-08-2024 at:
<https://www.kyc.ie/dragon-gold-cup-2024/#noticeboard>

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://www.kyc.ie/dragon-gold-cup-2024/#noticeboard>
- 3.2 [NP][DP] All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on marine channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI's.
- 3.4 [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.
- 3.5 A WhatsApp group will also be used to contact registered mobile numbers for each boat providing notifications from the OA and race committee (RC) communications whilst ashore. Failure to receive WhatsApp messages shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

4. ELIGIBILITY, SAILOR CATEGORIZATION AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the International Dragon Class, holding valid measurement certificates.
- 4.2 A boat's owner and any other person in charge shall be up to date members of their National Dragon Association.
- 4.3 Entries are currently not open to boats where any crew member holds a Russian or Belarus Passport or to a boat that is registered with or a member of the National Association in those countries.

- 4.4 Eligible boats and support boats shall enter and pay online before 26-08-2024 23:59 hours at: <https://www.kyc.ie/dragon-gold-cup-2024/>. Entries at the venue will not be possible.
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6 Entries are currently not open to boats where any crew member holds a Russian or Belarus Passport or to a boat that is registered with or a member of the National Association in those countries.
- 4.7 The OA reserves the right to refuse any entry and / or ask any boat to complete further undertakings or declarations before accepting any entry.
- 4.8 The Organizing Authority may limit the number of entries to 100. All entrants will be recorded in order of receipt of the entry form and payment of the fee. After the limit of entrants has been reached, a waiting list will be made.
- 4.9 Competitors shall comply with the World Sailing Eligibility Code (World Sailing Regulation).
- 4.10 For the Nations Cup, each helmsman shall declare his nationality at registration (or on his entry form), must be a member of that country's Dragon Association and shall be deemed to be sailing for that nation.
Each nation with at least 3 Dragons entered for the Gold Cup shall participate as a team. Each team shall consist of 3 Dragons. The boats need not carry the same national letters on their sails. The first three boats from each nation in the first completed race of the Gold Cup shall form that nation's team.
- 4.11 For the Corinthian Division and Trophy, the following applies:
a) World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code Regulation 22 applies, and all crew shall have valid G1, if unclassified they are deemed as G3".
b) A boat entered in the Corinthian Division for the Corinthian Trophy shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions.
c) The closing date for entrants to confirm their eligibility for the Corinthian Division shall be 07-09-2024 at 12.00pm.
Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the categorization and World Sailing ID number for each crew.
d) A representative of World Sailing Sailor Categorization Authority may be present during registration and may carry out spot checks.
e) The Categorization Protest Time Limit is the end of the protest time limit on the first day of racing. The RC/OA has the right to protest at any time.
- 4.12 It is the responsibility of the helm or team captain to complete and/or correct any data of crew members including World Sailing sailors ID number and categorization and sail numbers into the entry-form before 07-09-2024 to validate your entry.
- 4.13 Competitors under 18 years of age shall mail to goldcup24@kyc.com a signed and completed parent (guardian) consent and declaration form no later 07-09-2024. The forms can be downloaded from the online notice board under "documents".

5. FEES

- 5.1 Required fees are:
a) Early bird until 30-06-2024: €850
b) Entry fee from 01-07-2024 onwards: €950
- 5.2 The entry fee includes craning in & craning out, trailer parking, berthing, Gala dinner for all members of the crew, opening and closing ceremony receptions.
- 5.3 Any additional craning in/out or boatyard work will need to be organised and paid to Kinsale Boatyard directly and is not the responsibility of Kinsale Yacht Club.
- 5.4 People that require an invoice for paid entry fees can send an email to goldcup24@kyc.com to obtain one.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 (NP)(DP)See Dragon class rules

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Boats should check-in upon arrival in Kinsale, detailed instructions will be emailed to entrants in advance and published on the event website.
- 7.2 Registration and Crew Weighing will take place on the ground floor Kinsale Yacht Club on
- Thursday 5th September from 10.00 – 18.00
 - Friday 6th September from 10.00 – 18.00
 - Saturday 7th September from 09.00 – 11.00
- 7.3 Registration Requirements are: -
- To provide evidence of membership of their National Dragon Association.
 - Complete crew weighing and produce completed form at registration.
 - To submit a completed and stamped event measurement form and sail registration form.
 - To provide evidence of insurance.
 - All helms and all crew shall have provided their World Sailing ID number and classification (see NoR 4.10 and 4.11) by the end of registration.
- 7.4 Craning in and Equipment Inspection will take place on:
- Thursday 5th September from 09.00 – 18.00
 - Friday 6th September from 09.00 – 18.00
- c) Boats are required to book a time for inspection and craning in, see event website for details.
- 7.5 There will be a Competitors' Briefing in Kinsale Yacht Club, KYC, at 10.00 each day from Saturday 7th September.
- 7.6 The Opening Ceremony will take place at Kinsale Yacht Club at 18.00 on Saturday 7th September.
- 7.7 One race is scheduled to be raced every day, for a total of six races scheduled over 6 days. If required, an additional race may be sailed on any day to complete the full series of six races. No more than two races will be completed on any day.
- 7.8 Dates and Number of Races:

Date	Racing	Scheduled Time of Warning Signal
Saturday 7th Sept	Practice Race	12.55
Sunday 8th Sept	Racing	12.25
Monday 9th Sept	Racing	TBD
Tuesday 10th Sept	Racing	TBD
Wednesday 11th Sept	Racing	TBD
Thursday 12th Sept	Racing	TBD
Friday 13th Sept	Racing	TBD

- 7.9 On Friday 13th September there will be no warning signal displayed after 14.30.
- 7.10 The schedule of racing from Monday 9th to Friday 13th September will be posted on the notice board no later than 20:00h on the day before it will take effect.

8 MEASURING AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Measuring and equipment inspection of boats and sails will take place prior to the

commencement of racing, according to the schedule above (NoR 7). The measuring and equipment inspection of boats and sails shall be according to the stipulation of the IDA Technical Committee. Each boat shall bring a valid measurement certificate.

- 8.2 Boats shall not present any unmeasured sails for registration and measuring.
- 8.3 No more than eight (8) sails per boat may be submitted.
- 8.4 Boats shall not use any sail(s) other than the eight (8) sails submitted for measurement except with the prior written permission of the race committee and then only in exceptional circumstances.
- 8.5 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections during the event will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 Detailed plan of event venue, event tent, measurement booth, placement cranes, etc. follows later.
- 9.2 NoR Addendum 1 shows the location of the racing area.

10 COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward courses with a target first beat of 2,5 NM (at the discretion of the Race Committee), a windward offset mark, and a downwind gate.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

An international jury will be appointed as provided in RRS 70.5, 91(b)

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series. If three or less races are completed no result shall be declared and the Cup shall be returned to the Clyde Yacht Clubs' Association.
- 12.2 No race shall be discarded.
- 12.3 For the application of RRS Appendix A, the number of boats entered in the Series shall be the number of entries confirmed at registration.
- 12.4 RRS A5.2 is amended. A boat that did not start, did not sail the course, did not finish, retired after finishing, or was disqualified for UFD and/or BFD shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats confirmed at registration. Disqualification for any other reason shall be scored additional points equal to 10% of the number of boats confirmed at registration, fractions being raised to the next highest whole number.
- 12.5 RRS A8 is amended as follows: If there is a series-score tie between two or more boats, the tie shall be broken in favor of the boat or boats with the most first places and, when the tie remains, the most second places and so on until all ties are broken. If the tie remains it shall stand as part of the final result and each of the joint winners shall hold the Dragon Gold Cup for an equal time until the next Dragon Gold Cup.

13 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 13.1 All support and coach boats shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations (see IDA Championship Regulation section 6). The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 13.2 Each support and coach boat shall be insured with valid and adequate third-party liability insurance.
- 13.3 [DP] Support boats shall enter and pay online before 01-09-2024 23:59 hours
- 13.4 A support or coach boat will be charged a non-refundable entry fee of:
 - a) EUR 300 if paid before 30/06/2024
 - b) EUR 400 for payments from 01/07/2024 onwards

- c) The fee includes slipway access or craning in and out (priority will be given to competitors) and berthing in the marina.
- 13.5 To register at the venue, you shall register at the Race Office in Kinsale Yacht Club.
- 13.6 Support vessels shall display identification flags assigned and issued by the OA.
- 13.7 All support vessels shall have a kill-cord type device fitted and operational at all times whilst the engine is running.
- 13.8 All support vessel crew shall wear personal floatation devices (PFD) whilst afloat.

14 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race. See RRS G3.

15 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places at the KYC marina while in the harbor.

16 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 16.1 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
- 16.2 All boats shall be afloat by 13.00 on Saturday 7th September until all boats have completed the last race of the event.

17 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

18 DATA PROTECTION AND MEDIA RIGHTS

- 18.1 By entering for this event, you allow the organizing authority to display the names, birthdates and gender of you and your crew and the name, type and sail number of the registered boat on online and printed entry lists, positions during racing, results, articles in press and social media.
- 18.2 By entering the event competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the event and/or using the event facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.
- 18.3 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, and positioning equipment as specified and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 18.4 The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 18.5 Competitors may be required to be available for interviews at the event.

19 RISK STATEMENT

- 19.1 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".
- 19.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in an event, each competitor (parent for minors) 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 an event
- b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, crew and their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore.

- c) they accept responsibility for any loss, damage, personal injury or death 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) Their boat is adequately insured for the amount indicated below in NoR 20.
- 19.3 Nothing done by the organizers can reduce the responsibility of the skipper and crew of a boat, nor will it make the organizers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, howsoever it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing.
- 19.4 Boats, competitors and support persons are also reminded of their primary responsibility to offer assistance to any person overboard and to any boat or person in danger at any time. If a competing team standby by or assist, redress can be requested.

20 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 1,500,000. - per incident or the equivalent.

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 The winning helmsman shall have temporary possession of the Dragon Gold Cup until the next Dragon Gold Cup (DGC Rule 2). If three or less races are completed no result shall be declared (NoR 7.12) and the Cup shall be returned to the Clyde Yacht Clubs' Association.
- 21.2 The Nations Cup is awarded to the helmsman of the highest placed boat of the winning team in the last completed race of the Gold Cup and shall be kept until the next Dragon Gold Cup (DGC Rules Appendix 1).
- 21.3 The Borge Børresen Memorial Trophy will be presented to the helmsman of the Dragon that wins the first completed race of the Gold Cup (DGC Rules Appendix 1).
- 21.4 The Dragon Gold Cup Corinthian Trophy will be awarded for a period of one year until the next Gold Cup to the helmsman of the winning boat in the Corinthian series of the Gold Cup (DGC Rules Appendix 1).
- 21.5 The Silver Cup will be awarded to the helm of the Dragon that finishes exactly halfway in the final overall results. To determine this, the number of entries is those accepted at Registration. In the event that this is an even number, then the winner will be the Dragon just below halfway. The Silver Cup will be awarded if at least one race has been completed. The winner will hold the Silver Cup until the next Dragon Gold Cup.
- 21.6 Other prizes may be awarded.

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact goldcup24@kyc.com

Addendum 1

Race Area:

