



NOTICE OF RACE

The Blues on the Bay OPEN Regatta

Saturday 26-May-18

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

Carlingford Lough Yacht Club will be the Organising Authority for this regatta.

2. RULES

Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

3. ELIGIBILITY

Racing is open to all pre-Registered boats.

4. REGISTRATION

The [Entry Form](#) is available on the Club website. Eligible skippers shall have pre-Registered at least 3 days in advance. By Registering, they will have declared:

- a. to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Sailing Instructions, and
- b. that they have valid insurance to participate in the racing of not less than £3,000,000

5. SCHEDULE

The Warning Signal for the first race will be at 1255. There will be up to 4 races back to back, with one discard if more than 3 races are run.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The [BOTB Sailing Instructions 2018](#), which have been published on the Club web site, change the following rules of the RRS:

RRS 26. Starting Races; **RRS 35.** Time limit and scores; **RRS 61.3.** Protest time limit; **RRS 62.2.** Redress; **A4.** Low point system.

7. COURSES

Racing course details will be announced by the Race Officer before each race.

8. SCORING

The Carlingford Lough Rating system will be used. See [CLYC Cruiser Handicapping in 2018](#) for details.

9. PRIZES

The Blues on the Bay Trophy will be awarded to the winner.

10. RISK STATEMENT & RESPONSIBILITY

RRS 4 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By Registering in any of the events covered by this notice of race, 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 events;
- 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover, if any, is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- g. It is the skippers' responsibility to ensure that their equipment is in compliance with their rating certificates.

11. DOCUMENTS

The above mentioned documents and other relevant information can be found on the Club web site **Race Big Boats** page.