



2018

INTERNATIONAL DRAGON CLASS NORTHERN CHAMPIONSHIP

SAILED UNDER THE BURGEE OF

SOUTH CAERNARVONSHIRE YACHT CLUB

Thursday 7th June to Sunday 10th June

Notice of Race

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The Organising Authority (OA) is SCYC Abersoch
- 1.2. The Organising Authority is organising the event in association with the British Dragon Association (BDA).

2. RULES

- 2.1. The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2. The Rules and Regulations of the International Dragon Association and the British Dragon Association.
- 2.3. The prescriptions of the Royal Yachting Association (National Authority) that will apply will be notified on the Official Notice Board.
- 2.4. In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall prevail (this changes RRS 63.7).

3. ADVERTISING

- 3.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4.1.
- 3.2. Failure to comply with this regulation shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Only International Dragon Class yachts holding valid measurement certificates shall compete.
- 4.2. The helm and at least one other member of the crew shall be up to date members of their National Dragon Association.
- 4.3. Boats entered by British Dragon Association members shall either have paid a fee to the BDA for 2018 or replaced their boat with one that has already paid a fee for 2018. Any personal details provided as part of the entry / crew registration may be forwarded to the BDA for membership validation.
- 4.4. Entries shall be received prior to midnight on Thursday 31st May 2018.



- 4.5. A formal entry from each boat shall be submitted via the entry web site (or paper form) accompanied by the appropriate entry fee [See NOR 5].
- 4.6. Late entries received after midnight on 31st May 2018 may only be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.7. Entry will be finalised on completion of registration.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Required Fees are as follows:

Northern Championship: **£175**

Bank transfer information:

Acct Name: South Caernarfonshire Yacht Club
Bank: National Westminster
Acct No: 06500498
Sort Code: 54 30 21
IBAN: GB04NWBK54302106500498
BIC: NWBKGB2L

Please include your sail number with payment. All bank charges are at the expense of the competitor. All times are UK Local (British Summer time). All fees are GB pounds Sterling (GBP) and payable to SCYC

- 5.2. Payments can be made by VISA or MASTERCARD. We do not accept American Express.
- 5.3. Any banking charges relating to transfer of the entry fee shall be paid by the remitter.
- 5.4. The fee will include:
 - 5.4.1. Participation in the Championship.
 - 5.4.2. Abersoch Moorings & trailer storage at Hafan Pwllheli during the event
 - 5.4.3. Launching / recovery: (Cranage - See NOR 7 for details).

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. All boats shall register in person at SCYC Abersoch
- 6.2. Entrants shall bring the boat's Measurement Certificate to Registration. A copy of the Measurement Form may also be required.
- 6.3. Weighing of the crew will take place prior to commencement of racing - see NOR 8 for timings.
- 6.4. Boats shall not present any unmeasured sails for registration and measurement. Sails can be listed by completing the Sails Declaration Form at Registration.
- 6.5. No more than eight sails per boat may be submitted.
- 6.6. Boats shall not use any sails other than the eight sails listed on the Sails Declaration Form except with the prior written permission of the Race Committee, and then only in exceptional circumstances.
- 6.7. All boats shall be afloat and all crew weighed by the end of the registration.
- 6.8. The latest time for launching is shown in NOR 8.
- 6.9. The OA reserves the right to conduct measurement and safety equipment checks at any time.
- 6.10. Substitution of crew will not be permitted without the prior written permission of the Race Committee. The replacement crew member shall be weighed before racing.
- 6.11. Each boat shall sail with the same number of crew for the whole event.
- 6.12. Depth sounders are not permitted during the Northern Championship

7. BERTHING & CRANAGE

- 7.1. Boats can be craned in and out at Hafan Pwllheli Marina and use pontoon berths provided for this activity
- 7.2. Each boat has just one lift in and one lift out included in the entry fee.



- 7.3. A boat not wishing to be berthed at Abersoch Moorings during the event will make their own arrangements and settle up accordingly.
- 7.4. Boats shall be required to supply their own lifting slings which carry the appropriate test certificate and should be presented to Hafan Pwllheli Marina staff prior to any lift taking place.
- 7.5. The crane facilities will be available as shown in NOR 8.3.
- 7.6. Boats shall not be hauled out during the Championship, except with prior written permission of the Race Committee.
- 7.7. Boats wishing to use the crane facilities outside of the designated times (Note NOR 6.7 and 7.6) should do so by arrangement with Hafan Pwllheli Marina Tel: +44 (0)1758 701219

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration and Weigh in:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>
Thursday 7 th June	09:00-17:00

- 8.2 There will be a skipper's briefing at 18:30 on Thursday 7th June 2018 at SCYC
- 8.3 Eight races are scheduled. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the races are as shown below, additional races may be scheduled on any day as necessary to achieve a series.

<i>Date</i>	<i>First Warning Signal Not before</i>	<i>Scheduled Number of Races</i>
Friday 8 th June 2018	10:55	3
Saturday 9 th June 2018	10:55	3
Sunday 10 th June 2018	10:55	2

8.4. No warning signal will be displayed after 14:00 on the final day of the Championship.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The venue will be South Caernarvonshire Yacht Club, Abersoch.
- 9.2 The Race Area will be the waters to the east of SCYC within Tremadog Bay.

10 THE COURSES

The courses will be shown in detail in the Sailing Instructions and are intended to be windward leeward type courses.

11 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The SI will be available at registration and may be available at an earlier date on the SCYC event website

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Daily prizes will be awarded to the first Boat and the first Corinthian boat in each race, except that a boat can only win a 1st place daily prize once during the Championship. Thereafter the daily prizes will be presented to the highest placed boat that hasn't already won a daily prize.



- 12.2 The winners of Trophies shall have temporary possession of the Trophy for a period of one year, and will arrange appropriate insurance for each Trophy. The Name of the winning boat and its Owner should be engraved on the Trophy by the Winner.
- 12.3 The Championship Trophies and prizes will be awarded on completion of the series on Sunday afternoon at 16:30 in the SCYC bar.
- 12.4 Championship Trophies will be awarded as follows
 - (a) Overall winner
 - (b) 2nd Overall
 - (c) 3rd Overall

13. CORINTHIAN CLASSIFICATION

- 13.1. To qualify for the Corinthian Division and Trophy the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22, shall apply and all crew (includes the helm) shall hold a valid Group 1 Classification. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3, thus ineligible for the Corinthian Division.
- 13.2. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions.
- 13.3. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website: www.sailing.org/classification
- 13.4. The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be 1200hrs on 6th June 2018.
- 13.5. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the World Sailing ID number and classification and classification expiry date for each crew. Late entries may only be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 13.6. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta.
- 13.7. Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member with their valid World Sailing ID number and classification and classification expiry date must be submitted to the OA for their approval.
- 13.8. All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 13.9. The Classification Protest Time Limit is the end of protest time on the first day of racing or, in the case of a crew change, at the end of Protest Time on the first day of racing of the new crew member.

14. SCORING

- 14.1. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 14.1.1. When four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 14.1.2. When four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS Appendix A 2.1.

15. VHF RADIOS

- 15.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephone communications.
- 15.2. Race information will be given on marine VHF. The channel to be used will be stated in the SI. Race Committee communication on the water shall not be available to competitors.



16. SUPPORT BOATS

- 16.1. All support boats including coach, press, private and spectator boats shall register during the registration period. For craning and berthing (not included in the entry fee) contact Hafan Pwllheli Marina directly.
- 16.2. Support boats shall be marked with the appropriate country flag. Additionally, the OA may request for these boats to use additional markers or flags.
- 16.3. In the event of an emergency the Race Committee may request support boats for their assistance.

17. RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 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."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 17.1. 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;
- 17.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 17.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 17.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 17.5. 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;
- 17.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 17.7. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

18. INSURANCE

- 18.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 GBP per event or the equivalent.
- 18.2. Proof of such insurance may be required at registration.

19. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute rights to the OA and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.



FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information is available from:

British Dragon Association

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Launching and Trailers

Based at Hafan Pwllheli Marina

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Regatta Location

BDA Northern Championship will be based at Abersoch's SCYC. Moorings supplied by SCYC for visiting yachts.

Accommodation

A wide range of accommodation is easily researched and booked via www.abersochholidayhomes.co.uk & <https://www.sykescottages.co.uk/abersoch-cottages.html> & www.abersoch.co.uk

Marine Services

Comprehensive boat yard facilities available from Pwllheli: Firmhelm, Partingtons, The Boatshed Sailmakers & Abersoch Boat Yard to cover all hull, rig, sail requirements.