

Nieuwpoort Channel Race 2019

Race open to all IRC and CR Classes

Tuesday 9th of July – Sunday 14th of July 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority

The event is organised by the Koninklijke Yacht Club Nieuwpoort (K.Y.C.N.).
Organizing Committee : Baudouin Meyhui (chairman KYCN), Luc Coppens (KYCN)

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) and :

- The IRC rules
- The CR rules
- The ORC special regulations (category 3)
- The IRPCAS
- This notice of race
- The sailing instructions

RRS art 77, stipulates that every boat shall carry a sail number. A boat which does not carry a sail number, shall not be recorded at the finish.

2. Advertising

Rules provided by current World Sailing Racing Rules about advertising shall apply.

The race is considered as a category "C" event.

Class and race sponsor's flags will be provided, and shall be flown from the backstay at all times during the race. The class flag will be fixed above the race sponsor's flag.

Bow stickers can be provided and every effort shall be made to retain them on the front bows until the finish line is reached and the boat is moored.

Race sponsor's battle flags can be provided, and shall be flown from the forestay while berthed in the KYCN harbour and during the exit of the harbour.

A competitor may not protest this requirement.

Boats carrying publicity on sails, boat, boom shall be in the possession of a publicity certificate.

3. Eligibility and entry

The Regatta is open to all yachts CR or IRC Classes, Following the IRC rating, (< or > 0.945) 1 courses is foreseen.

Minimum 2 people on board. The use of an automatic pilot is authorised when there are only 2 people on board. All competitors must comply with all the rules provided by their National Authority about Sailing licences.

Entries start on 1st March 2019 and close on 30th June 2019 18:00 hours.

All forms will be available on the web site www.KYCN.be/ncr

Entry process will be considered valid while:

- Entry form with a copy of the measurement certificate and insurance policy are sent by E-mail to: info@KYCN.be , or by mail to: KYCN att. Race committee NCR - Krommehoek - 8620 Nieuwpoort

- And payment of at least the boat entry fee + 2 crew entry fees is made. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
All registrations must be confirmed at the KYCN Race Office. (see also § 7)

3.1 Inspection & safety control

Schedule : From Saturday 6th July till Monday 8th July 2019 - Timing: 09:00 hrs till 17:00 hrs

All boats must be available for safety controls during these periods.

3.2 Offshore Special Regulations Declaration and Checklist :

The owner or person in charge of the boat is to sign the Safety declaration available from the website www.KYCN.be/NCR , or at the KYCN Race Office.

The checklist is included for assistance to owners in ensuring that the boat complies with the requirements of the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Category 3 Races. The numbers shown in the column "Special Regulations" refer to the section(s) of the World Sailing Offshore Special.

Regulations Race Category 3 that is (are) relevant to the particular item.

Official Scrutineers will be inspecting participating boats in the presence of the owner or person in charge. Boat owners will be notified of the date and time of the inspection and skippers should ensure that the boat is prepared in time (i.e. at the latest on Monday 8th July 2019 13:00 hrs).

This inspection is carried out only as a guide and an inspector cannot limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner and the person in charge.

4. Classification

No Special rule

5. Fees

Required fees are as follows:

- € 220 for non-sponsored boat if entry payment made before 01/06/2019 otherwise € 275.
- € 320 for sponsored boat if entry payment made before 01/06/2019, otherwise € 375 .
- € 40 / crew (mandatory and including closure dinner).

6. Qualifying series and final series

No special rule

7. Schedule

- Registration: From Saturday 6th July as from 10.00 hrs till Monday 8th July 12.00 hrs
Registration will take place at the KYCN Race Office near the Clubhouse.
- Skipper briefing & weather forecast : Tuesday 9th of July at 9.00 hrs.
- First warning signal on Monday 9th July at 10.55 (Local Time, GMT +2).
- Prize giving and closure dinner : Sunday 14th of July at 18.00 hrs.
- Locations will be published on the Race Office Board.

8. Measurements

See § 3

9. Sailing instructions

General Sailing Instructions are governed under the IRC rules.

Sailing Instructions, together with a list of current entries, will be available on the official website, hard copy will not be available at registration.

10. Venue

Location of the regatta harbour: KYCN Nieuwpoort. (Oude haven)

Location of the racing area: See below chapter 11.

11. The courses

1 courses is foreseen :

Nieuwpoort-Les Iles Marcouf-Isle of Wight-Nieuwpoort +/- 450NM.

During the crew dinner, the skippers will be asked if the race will be sailed clock wise or anti clock wise. Decision will be made majority +1 of the amount of skippers.

12. Penalty system

No special rule

13. Scoring

General scoring and scoring by classes if there are 3 or more entries Will be calculated.

14. Support boats

Support boats will be marked with white flags.

15. Berthing

In the harbour of the KYCN, yachts shall be moored under the responsibility of the owner or the skipper.

Berthing Master: Please call on VHF Channel 23 or phone : +32 (0)58 23 44 13

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the harbour by the Berthing Master.

Boats will benefit from free mooring in the KYCN harbour

- From Friday 5th July 12:00 hrs until Monday 15th July 2017 at 11:45 hrs, if their origin harbour is not in Nieuwpoort.

- From Saturday 6th July 12:00 hrs until Monday 15th July 2016 at 11:45 hrs, if their origin harbour is WSKLuM or VVW Nieuwpoort.

Lifting of boats can be organized through the Harbour Authority.

16. Haul-out restrictions

No special rule.

17. Equipment and plastic pools

No special rule.

18. Radio communication

Contacts by telephone or E-mail are authorised between competitors in so far as the contents of these contacts does not include personalised assistance in order to improve the performance of the boat and/or the skipper.

All boats shall carry, during all the event:

- A satellite tracking system provided by the Organizing Committee.
- An operational VHF marine phone equipped with channels 16, 23, & 77.
- Channel 23: Dock Office & Secretary KYCN.

- Channel 77: Race Committee.
- An operational mobile phone (GSM).

19. Prizes & Trophies

Trophies are for corrected time results except where stated and awarded as follows :

- Channel Race Trophy: Best IRC overall
- Challenge Xavier Catry: First yacht at "Special mark"
- Cruiser Channel Race Trophy: Best CR overall

Many more surprises at the discretion of the organizers ...

Provisional results will be posted on the official Notice Board to the KYCN Race Office

20. Disclaimer of liability

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, each parent present or not, each coach 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, crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the 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 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 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.

21. Insurance

Each participating boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000 (one and a half million euro)

22. Wifi area

Wireless internet access will be available in and around the Club House.

23. Errors & omissions

On good cause, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend any of the provisions of this Notice of Race.

24. Further information

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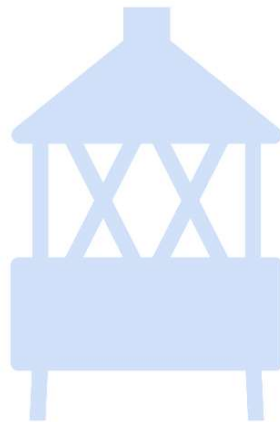
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