



Irish Fireball Association  
National Championships 2018  
Friday 8th June – Sunday 10th June

Hosted by Skerries Sailing Club

**NOTICE OF RACE**

1. Organising Authority

The Organising Authority is Skerries Sailing Club in association with the Irish Fireball Association

**2. RULES**

This event will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the International Fireball Class Rules in force at the time of the event, this Notice of Race (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions), and the Sailing Instructions. International Fireball Class Rule 23 'Limitations of Equipment' SHALL NOT apply to this event.

Rule 25 of the class rules, 'propulsion' may apply. Changes to this will be posted on the Notice Board.

**3 Identification**

Subject to the approval of the Race Committee a boat chartered or loaned for the event may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta (References RRS 77, Appendix G).

**4. ADVERTISING**

The event is designated a Category C event in accordance with Appendix 1. The Organizing Authority may require competitors to display Event Sponsors advertising material as prescribed under Appendix.1 and International Fireball Class Rule 24.

**5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

5.1 General

All competitors shall comply with ISAF Eligibility Rules (RRS Appendix K1). The Regatta is open to boats of the International Fireball Class whose helm and crew are members of a National Fireball Class Association recognised by Fireball International. Proof of membership shall be by means of a Fireball International membership card and boat sticker.

5.2 Entry Procedure

Competitors may enter by completing the event entry form, which is available on the Irish Fireball Association website, SkerriesSailingclub.com website and at registration.

### **5.3 Entry Fee**

The Entry fee will be €75. Boats only racing Saturday & Sunday may enter late at a reduced rate of €50.

### **5.4 Entry Disclaimer**

It is the Competitor's decision to enter the event or to start in any race. Competitors shall accept that their participation in the event is at their sole exclusive risk in every respect. By way of entry to the Regatta competitors shall indemnify Fireball International, the International Fireball Association of Ireland, Skerries Sailing Club, their officers, members, servants, and agents in respect of all claims and demands of whatever nature which may be made upon them in connection with or howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in the Regatta. Competitors shall acknowledge that Fireball International, the Fireball Association of Ireland, Skerries sailing Club, their officers, members, servants, and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of their participation or intended participation in the Regatta or howsoever arising in connection with these events.

### **5.5 Insurance**

All boats shall have adequate third-party insurance cover of not less than €3,500,000 (or the equivalent thereof in any other convertible currency) for any accident. All owners / competitors who sign the entry forms are deemed to have made a declaration that they hold such cover. Owners / competitors not holding this cover shall withdraw their entry.

## **6. Registration**

Registration will take place from 11:00 – 13:00 hrs Friday or, Saturday from 10:00hrs – 12:00hrs

Measurement, examination of measurement certificates and / or measurement checking may take place as part of the registration process. Each boat shall have a valid class measurement certificate, which must be available for inspection

## **7. Race Schedule**

Nine races are scheduled: -

Friday 8th June – up to 4 races

Saturday 9th June - up to 4 races

Sunday 10th - remaining races to complete series of nine races No race will be started after 15:30 hrs on the Sunday (except to restart a race which was subject to a general recall). Regatta Briefing: Friday 12:45 hrs

**Warning Signal: 13:55 hrs on Friday, 11:55 hrs on Saturday and 10:25 hrs on Sunday. The schedule of all subsequent races as directed in the Sailing Instructions.**

## **8. Scoring & prizes**

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 the table below.

Discards applied based on races sailed

1, 2 or 3 races sailed no discard

4, 5, 6 or 7 races sailed 1 discard

8 or more races sailed 2 discards

Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the event as designated by organising authority. Perpetual prizes remain the property of the Irish Fireball Association.

Gold Fleet & Silver Fleet, prizes appropriate to fleet size will be presented.

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