

**Wayfarer International Championship 2019
Incorporating UK National Championship & Irish National
Championship
Venue: Greystones Sailing Club, Greystones, Co. Wicklow Ireland**

**Notice of Race
20th July – 26th July 2019
(Racing 22nd- 26th July)**

The Organising Authority is Greystones Sailing Club (GSC) in association with the UK Wayfarer Association (UKWA) and the Wayfarer International Committee (WIC).

1 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017–2020 (RRS)

1.2 Sailors are required to wear appropriate personal buoyancy at all times whilst afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment ICF 'Y' will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40

1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence

1.3. The SIs may also change other racing rules and Wayfarer International Class Rules

2 Advertising

2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. If this rule is broken World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

3 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Wayfarer class that have a current measurement certificate.

3.2 Boats competing for prizes provided by the WIC must be paid up members of a National Class Wayfarer Association (NCWA) affiliated to the Wayfarer International Committee.

3.3 Boats competing for prizes to be provided by the UKWA, including the UK and Irish National Championship perpetual trophies, shall be entered by members or associate members of the UKWA.

3.4 All overseas competitors, including those who have travelled overseas from Great Britain will be eligible for the Hartley Boats Overseas Trophy.

3.5 Members of Greystones S.C. who are not members of a NCWA may enter but will not be eligible to win the WIC or UKWA perpetual trophies.

3.6 Entry forms are available from www.gsc.ie and should be submitted together with the required fee via the website by Friday 8th July 2019. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

3.7 Entry to the regatta may be limited to the first 120 entries received from eligible boats accompanied by the required fee

4 Fees

4.1 The entry fee is €160 per boat if received prior to 1st May 2019, the entry fee thereafter is €200.

5. Gold, Silver and Bronze Fleets

5.1 Boats will initially be assigned to the Gold, Silver or Bronze fleet by the race committee based on previous performance at Wayfarer Class events. Boats may be re-assigned by the race committee to any fleet after the completion of race 3.

5.2 Boats in the Bronze fleet may opt out of some races to participate in a, non-scoring, cruising option, the total number of races to count in the Bronze fleet series will not exceed five.

6 Schedule

6.1 The clubhouse will be open to receive competitors from 10:00 on Saturday 20th July. If any competitor wishes to arrive earlier, then he/she should email the Racing Secretary to arrange access.
6.2.

Date	Scheduled Time		
Sat. 20 July	10:00 – 18:00	Measurement	
Sat. 20 July	14.00 – 18:00	Registration	
Sun. 21 July	10:00 – 18:00	Measurement	
Sun. 21 July	10.00 – 18:00	Registration	
Mon.22 July	11.55	Warning Signal Practice Race	Races to follow
Tues. 23 July – Fri. 26 July	10.55	Warning Signal First Race of Day	Races to follow

6.3 A practice race will be sailed on Monday 22 July.

6.4 Nine races are scheduled.

6.5 A maximum of 3 races will be sailed per day. Succeeding races will be sailed as soon as is practicable following the finish of the preceding race.

6.6 The first warning signal of a race will not be made after 14:55 on Friday 26th July

7 Measurement

7.1 Each boat shall hold a valid measurement certificate available for inspection at registration.

7.2 All potential Gold fleet boats will be weighed and measured prior to competing in the event. All Gold and Silver fleet sails must have a valid measurement stamp. If the person entering the boat is uncertain to which fleet their boat will be assigned he/she should assume that the boat will be measured.

7.3 Equipment inspection, including hull and sail measurements and weighing of boats, may take place during the event.

7.4 Penalties for non-compliance with the class rules will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may result in disqualification from the event.

8 Sailing Instructions

8.1 The SIs will be available no later than 15th July 2019 on the event website; additional copies will be distributed at registration

9 Venue

9.1 The venue for the championship is Greystones Sailing Club, The Harbour, Greystones, Co. Wicklow, Ireland. The racing area will be the coastal waters to the East of Greystones Harbour.

10 The Courses

10.1 The courses to be sailed will be provided within the relevant appendix to the Sailing Instructions

11 Scoring

11.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 (a) When four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores

(b) When from five to six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

(c) When seven or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores

(d) Bronze fleet only: when six or more races have been completed, a Bronze fleet boat's series score will be the total of her best five race scores.

12 Support Vessels

12.1 Support vessels shall register with the organising authority and display such marking as may be required by the Race Committee.

13. Berthing

13.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the boat park. Trailers will be stored as instructed by the organising authority.

14 Prizes

14.1 A wide range of merit and fleet prizes will be presented and a full schedule is provided in the Sis, WIC Perpetual trophies will be presented to the winners of each of the 9 series races sailed. Overall prizes equal in number to the square root of entries will be presented in each of the Gold, Silver and Bronze fleets. UKWA and Irish Branch perpetual trophies will be presented to eligible contenders.

15 Risk Statement

15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4, Decision to Race). The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta

15.2 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:

- (a) He/she is aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, his/her crew and his/her boat to such inherent risk while taking part in the event
- (b) He/she is responsible for the safety of himself/herself, his/her crew, his/her boat and his/her other property whether afloat or ashore
- (c) He/she accepts responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by his/her own actions or omissions
- (d) His/her boat is in good order and equipped to sail in the event and that he/she is fit to participate
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve him/her of his/her own responsibilities
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances.
- (g) The safety of crew will at all times take precedence over equipment
- (h) All boats must carry a tow line of not less than 10m and not less than 8mm in diameter.
- (i) Competitors must wear adequate exposure protection and Buoyancy aids
- (j) Each competitor must carry a whistle and a knife or other cutting device.

16 Insurance

16.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €2,500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

17 Data Protection

17.1. At registration competitors will be requested to complete a form giving permission to the Organising Authority to collect and use data about the competitor for the purpose of organising this Championship. The Organising Authority has adopted a Data Protection Policy for the Championship which will be displayed at Registration.

17.2 The Organiser may arrange for images or videos to be taken at the Event and published on the Event, Organiser's or Wayfarer class websites, social media channels or other publications to promote the Event, Organiser, Sponsors or Class.

18 Further Information

18.1 Further information regarding the event may be found on the website of Greystones Sailing Club (<http://www.gsc.ie>).

Information may be repeated on the websites of the UKWA <http://wayfarer.org.uk/>

18.2 For further information, please contact the GSC Sailing Secretary Monica Schaefer, at sailing@gsc.ie or the UKWA racing secretary Tim Townsend at racing@wayfarer.org.uk