



International Dart 18 UK National Championships 2021

2nd to 4th July 2021

Mumbles Yacht Club, Swansea

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organising Authority

1.1. The Organising Authority for the meeting is Mumbles Yacht Club in association with UKIDA.

2. Venue

2.1. The event will be based at Mumbles Yacht Club. Racing will normally take place in Swansea Bay.

3. Rules

3.1. The Championship will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the rules of the International Dart Association and this Notice of Race, except if any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions.

3.2. The Championship is designated Category C - Appendix 1 - ISAF Advertising Code.

3.3. The Event and any related social activity surrounding it, will be run under local government covid rules and guidelines. These will have presidency over NOR and SI's.

4. Conditions of Entry

4.1. The helm shall be a current member of UKIDA and/or their own National Dart Association.

4.2. All entrants are required to hold third party indemnity insurance with a minimum indemnity limit of £2,000,000 (two million pounds GBP) for the total period of the event and affirm such cover to the Organising Authority.

4.3. All entrants will be required to confirm that they are, and have been for the previous 10 days, complying with all relevant Government Guidelines regarding Covid 19 in both their home nation and any separate requirements imposed by Welsh authorities. All Entrants will be expected to continue complying with all relevant Government Guidelines during the event.

4.4. All Entrants may be asked to take a covid test on registration. Failure of this test or refusal to take it may result in the organising committee refusing entry to the event. Should entry be refused on Covid 19 grounds prior to the first race, any entry fee, less an admin fee, will be returned.

4.5. Should the event be cancelled for Covid related reasons or should a competitor have tested positive prior to the event and be unable to attend, a full refund of entry fees will be provided.

5. Registration & Briefing

5.1. All competitors must register at the Race Office in the clubhouse. Registration will be open from 1400hrs to 2000hrs on Thursday 1st July and from 0830hrs to 1030hrs on Friday 2nd July 2021.

5.2. Sailing Instructions will be issued at Registration.

5.3. A briefing will be held in the boat park at 1100 on Friday 2nd July 2021.

5.4. Competitors may be required to produce, proof of age, proof of class association membership and a valid insurance certificate at registration.

6. Scrutineering

6.1. It is the duty of each competitor to ensure that their boat complies with the class rules.

6.2. Any boat may be scrutineered at random, either before the first race or at any other time during the event.

If a boat fails scrutineering, it will not necessarily be disqualified retrospectively from any race she has sailed up to that time. However, any failures must be rectified before competing in any further races of the event.

6.3. Equipment may only be changed if it is damaged and then only with the permission of the Race Committee.

6.4. Substitution of the crew shall only be permitted in the event of injury or illness and then only with the permission of the Race Committee

6.5. Failure to comply with scrutineering may result in disqualification.

7. Identification

7.1. While racing, boats will be identified by their sail numbers and/or bow numbers.

7.2. Under exceptional circumstances, the race committee may permit sails carrying an identifying number other than that required by RRS 77 Appendix G. Prior written approval is required. Forms for this purpose are available in the information area & shall be submitted to the race office.

8. Schedule of races

8.1. The number of races scheduled is 9. The intention is to run 3 races a day, however the Race Committee may amend this as they see fit. All times below are 'not before'.

| Day | Start Time | Warning Signal | Number of races | High Water |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Friday 2 nd July | 1300hrs | 1255hrs | 3 | 1259hrs 7.93m |
| Saturday 3 rd July | 1100hrs | 1055hrs | 3 | 1356hrs 7.30m |
| Sunday 4 th July | 1030hrs | 1025hrs | 3 | 1502hrs 7.33m |

8.2. Following 2 races as soon as possible.

8.3. To alert boats that another race will begin soon, the orange flag will be displayed for at least 1 minute before a Warning Signal is displayed.

9. The courses

9.1. The Courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

10. Scoring

10.1. 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a Championship.

10.2. When less than 4 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

10.4. The Low Points scoring system of Appendix A section 4 will apply.

10.5. Series Ties will be broken in accordance with Appendix A sections 8.1, 8.2

10.6. If there are insufficient races to constitute a Championship and the event is re-held at a later date, any race results completed at this first event will not be carried forward in any way.

11. Prizes

11.1. Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organisers and may include daily prizes.

11.2. Perpetual prizes will be awarded to the first ten positions and the special prizes listed below.

11.3. Masters Trophy will be awarded to the first helm and crew with a combined age of 101+.

11.4. Youth Trophy will be awarded to the first youth helm.

11.5. Ladies Trophy will be awarded to the first lady helm.

11.6. Dr. David Bartlett Cup will be awarded to the first parent/child team.

11.7. Exe Plate will be awarded to the first overall after 2 races.

11.8. Handicap Trophies will be awarded to the first 3 places on handicap.

11.9. Best "Moo" Comer Trophy for the highest placed helm in their first nationals.

11.10. The Geoff Lloyd Salver for the highest placed couple.

11.11. Mumbles Yacht Club Trophy for the first Mumbles Boat.

12. Entry

12.1. Entries will initially be limited to 50 boats to comply with Welsh covid rules as they stand at the moment. Should these rules change to allow more boats then the committee may increase the limit if they see fit.

12.2. Entry will be via the UKIDA Dart 18 Webcollect page at <https://webcollect.org.uk/dart18>

12.3. Entry will open on Wednesday 19th May 2021.

12.4. The entry fee will be £125 two up and £100 for single handed up to 31st May – Then £140 /£110 until entry closes on Sunday 27th June 2021

12.5. Entries requested after this date will be accepted solely at the organisers' discretion and the late entry fee will be announced at the time.

13. Disclaimer of liability

- 13.1. A boat is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 13.2. It is for the boat to decide whether she is fit to sail in the conditions in which she will find herself. By launching, the boat confirms that she is fit for those conditions and her crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 13.3. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the boat nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the race officer, patrol boats and beach masters
- 13.4. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve the boat of her responsibilities.
- 13.5. Furthermore, parents or guardians of competitors under 18 yrs will be required to take full responsibility for their dependants throughout the event and to sign the parental declaration on the entry form. The person accepting this responsibility shall be present for the duration of the Championship.

14. Sponsorship

- 14.1. Competitors may be required by the Organising Authority to carry the event sponsors advertising on their sails/boats and or bibs/vests

15. Safety regulations

- 15.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or any official safety boat as soon as possible, or complete the Sign-Off form for retirements, available in the information area, within 1 hour after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 15.2. A Tally system as described in the Sailing Instructions will be in operation.

16. Television & Media

- 16.1. In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant the organising authority the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show from time to time, at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and any other reproduction of them taken during the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, in which he/she participates, without compensation.

17. Social Activities

- 17.1. Any social activity linked to the event will be in line with local government Covid guidelines. The social side of the event will be updated nearer the event, however the club does have an open air roof top terrace and access to other exterior areas, therefore it is hoped that limited social activity along the lines of welcome drinks on Friday and Hog Roast and some form of music event / party on Saturday evening will be able to take place.