

# Nieuwpoort Channel Race

Race open to all IRC Classes  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of July 2010



## NOTICE OF RACE



### Organizing Authority

The event is organised by the a.s.b.l. Sailing Race in collaboration with the Koninklijke Yacht Club Nieuwpoort ( K.Y.C.N ).

#### Organizing Committee

- Gaëtan Bastin
- Michael Delatte
- Freddy Orban

#### Race Officers

- Freddy Orban (PRO)
- Philippe Deplechin (NRO)
- Philippe Lachapelle (NRO)

### 1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS) and :

- The IRC rules
- The Classes rules of Class 40, Mini 6.5, Pogo, Class 9.5 ... and Multihulls when applicable
- The ORC special regulations ( Cat 3 )
- This notice of race
- The sailing instructions

### 2. Advertising

Rules provided by current ISAF 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 will be provided and every effort shall be made to retain them on the front bows until the finishline is reached and the boat is moored.

Race sponsor's battle flags will 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.

Dodgers with the race number of the boat will have to be fixed as from July the 8<sup>th</sup> and maintained at the rear on each side of the boat at least until the buoy in Oostende is reached and will have to be put back in place before the finishline and until the boat is moored in the harbour.

### 3. Eligibility and entry

The Regatta is open to all yachts of IRC Classes, Class 40, Class 9,5, Mini 6.5 and Multihulls Following the IRC rating, ( < or > 0.945 ) 2 different courses are foreseen.

Minimum 2 people on board. Use of automatic pilot only authorised when 2 people on board.

All competitors must comply with all the rules provided by their National Authority about Sailing licences.

Entries start on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2010 and close on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2010 12:00 hours.

All forms will be available on the web site [www.channelrace.be](http://www.channelrace.be)

Entry process will be considered valid while:

- Entry form with a copy of the- measurement certificate and insurance policy are sent by E-mail [info@channelrace.be](mailto:info@channelrace.be) , or by mail to : Michael Delatte , Av P Terlinden, B-1330 Rixensart Belgium

- 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 Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July till Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Timing: 11:00 hrs till 19:00 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.channelrace.be](http://www.channelrace.be) , 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 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for Category 3 Races. The numbers shown in the column "Special Regulations" refer to the section(s) of the ISAF 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 Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 19:00 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:

- 200 € for non-sponsored boat if entry payment made before 01/05/2010 otherwise 250 €.
- 300 € for sponsored boat if entry payment made before 01/05/2010 otherwise 350 €.
- 50 € / crew (including both crew dinner and closure dinner).

### 6. Qualifying series and final series

No special rule

### 7. Schedule

- Registration: From Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July as from 10.00 hrs till Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July 16.00 hrs  
Registration will take place at the KYCN Race Office near the Clubhouse.
- Crew dinner : Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 19:00 hrs
- Skipper briefing & weather forecast : Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> of July at 11.00 hrs
- First warning signal on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 12.55 hrs ( Local Time, GMT +2)
- Prize giving and closure dinner : Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of July at 19.00 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 and in hard copy 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

2 courses are foreseen :

- Course 1 : Open to all IRC boat with a TCC > 0.945  
Offshore Race: approximately 520 miles  
Nieuwpoort – Oostende - Isle of Wight - Channel Islands - Nieuwpoort ( No Stop )
- Course 2 : Open to all IRC boat ( with a TCC < or > 0.945 )  
Nieuwpoort – Oostende - Isle of Wight - Nieuwpoort  
with a mandatory 12 hours stop at Cowes

**12. Penalty system**

No special rule

**13. Scoring**

General scoring and scoring by classes if there are 3 or more entries will be calculated (Bonus Point System)

**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 058/23.44.13

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 Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 12:00 hrs until Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 11:45 hrs if their origin harbour is not in Nieuwpoort .
- From Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July 12:00 hrs until Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2010 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:

- 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
- A mobile phone (GSM)

**19. Prizes & Trophies**

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

- Channel Race Trophy                      Best overall (Course 1)
- Channel Race Cup                            2<sup>nd</sup> best overall (Course1)
- Channel Raceke Cup:                        First yacht at Oostende mark (Course 1 & 2)
- Mini Channel Race Trophy                Best overall (Course 2)
- Mini Channel Race Cup                      2<sup>nd</sup> best overall (Course 2)

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**

In accordance with the ISAF Rules, Appendix K , § 26

**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 € )

**22. Wifi area**

Wireless internet access 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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## Appendix

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Course 1 & Course 2

Appendix 2 : Race area  
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Appendix 3 : Safety Checklist