



Flying 15 Northern Championships 2023

3rd and 4th June 2023

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Strangford Sailing Club
Seafront Road
Castleward Estate
Strangford
BT30 7LS

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

This event will be organised by Strangford Sailing Club in conjunction with The Flying Fifteen Association of Ireland.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NOR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 28.1, 32, 35, 60.1(b), 61, 61.3, 62.1(a), 62.2, A2, A4, A5 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on www.strangfordsailingclub.com and <https://www.flyingfifteen.ie>

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official noticeboard is located on Whatsapp please join with the link below or scan the QR code in appendix 1.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EXbtNKLwA0SHnXXvdbxhrr>

- 3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the Flying Fifteen class.
- 4.2 At least one of helm or crew shall be a member of the FFAI or other national Class Association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at <https://www.itsplainsailing.com/org/strangford>

Boats must be entered by 2300hrs on Thursday 1st June 2023.

- 4.4 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 For under 18s the parent/guardian declaration must be signed.
- 4.6 [NP] [DP] The Organising Authority may cancel the event, cancel classes and reject or cancel entries in its absolute discretion, subject to RRS 76.
- 4.7 [NP] [DP] Should the Organising Authority cancel a class or reject an entry they shall refund the entry fee in full.

5 FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

Up to 2300 on Thursday 1st June 2023 £95

Entry includes Tea, Coffee, Scones each day, BBQ on Saturday Evening at the clubhouse, and soup after racing on Sunday.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.

8 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>	<i>Warning Signal</i>
Saturday 3 rd June	Races 1 to 3	1110
Sunday 4 th June	Races 4 to 5	1100

9.2 Five Races are scheduled.

9.3 At the discretion of the Race Officer a Race may be brought forward to the first day or postponed to the second day depending on weather conditions. No more than one race of the scheduled number of races may be brought forward or postponed.

9.4 No warning signal will be after 15:00 on Sunday the 4th June

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.

12 VENUE

The Sailing Area will be Sothern waters of Strangford Lough

13 COURSES

13.1 The courses to be sailed will be A: Windward Leeward or B: Windward leeward Triangle.

14 SCORING

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

14.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

15 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

15.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

15.2 When the engine of a support vessel is running, all support persons on that vessel, shall wear a personal flotation device and the support vessel driver shall use a kill cord.

16 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

17 BERTHING

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.

18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

19 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

20 DATA PROTECTION

Available on the Strangford sailing club website

21 RISK STATEMENT

Available on the Strangford sailing club website

22 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling €3,000,000 Euro per incident or the equivalent.

23 PRIZES

Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, in each class as follows:

Perpetual Class Prize will be awarded

Gold Fleet 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Silver fleet 1st

Bronze fleet 1st

Classic fleet 1st

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact: Gerry Reilly (gerryreilly2@gmail.com)

26 PRIVACY STATEMENT

Available on the club website.

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

Access to the club

Please note there is **NO** access through Castleward estate to the club with a vehicle. You must use the Audleystown Road. The club address should work with google maps.

Lat Long Coordinates are 54.376311, -5.573168

Accommodation

- **Camping:**

A limited number of free camping spots are available at the club. Please contact Gerry Reilly (gerryreilly2@gmail.com)

There are also paid spots in Castleward Campsite/Caravan park (walking distance to the club) <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/holidays/northern-ireland/castle-ward-caravan-park>

- **B&B**

The closest town with accommodation is Strangford (10 min drive away), Portaferry (via Ferry 30mins) or Downpatrick (20 min drive)

Hospitality

- The club will have a bar open on the Friday and Saturday nights. (Card payment preferred)
- BBQs Will be lit from 1800 – 2100 on Saturday (BBQ packs included with entry)
- BBQs can also be lit on Friday night if needed.
- Free Tea, Coffee and refreshments available throughout the event

Appendix 1 – Official Notice board



FF15 Northern Champs Noticeboard

WhatsApp group



Scan or upload this QR code using the WhatsApp
camera to join this group