





# Swift Irish Beach Sprints Championships

&

World Rowing Beach Sprint
Championships Qualification Event
Brittas Bay Wicklow

10<sup>th</sup> of August 2024

Hosted by
Wicklow Rowing Club
&
Rowing Ireland

# **Welcome**

Wicklow Rowing Club are delighted to host the Inaugural Swift Irish Beach Sprints Championships for 2024. This Championship is also the qualification event for the World Rowing Beach Sprints Championships to be held in Genoa Italy on the 13<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> of September.

It is a great honour to host this event with Rowing Ireland and we will ensure that it is an enjoyable, Safe and a very exciting championships that will showcase the best of Irish Beach Sprints Athletes and kick start the journey to the Los Angeles Olympics in 2028 where Beach Sprints will be introduced to for the first time. .

We Would like express our thanks to Wicklow County Council for their assistance and support in providing the beautiful Brittas Bay Beach for the Swift Irish Beach Sprints Championships 2024.

#### **Entries**

Entries are invited from Rowing Ireland affiliated clubs with entries closing on 31/07/2024 at 7pm. Entries are accepted via Rowing Irelands Tracker system from club secretaries using the portal at the foot of the Rowing Ireland Website www.rowingireland.ie

#### **Event contact details**

Safety Advisor:Robert Dunne0872547328Regatta Director:David Hussey0872844509Regatta Secretary:Bernice Cullen0868797621Championship CoordinatorShay Dunne0857137050

President of the Jury Neville Maxwell

Commentary by Niamh Hayes

Swift Racing Joe Cantillon 0877680636

**Event Medical Controller:** Wicklow Civil Defence

**Emergency Contacts** 

Ambulance 999 or 112 Coastguard 999 or 112 Wicklow Gardai: 0404 69107

#### **Categories offered.**

Juniors	Seniors
CJM1X	CM1X
CJW1X	CW1X
CJM2X	Cmix2X
CJW2X	Cmix4X
CJmix2X	

#### **Rules**

The championships are held under section 7 of the rules of rowing Ireland. A copy of which is available in the event documents on tracker and on the Rowing Ireland website.

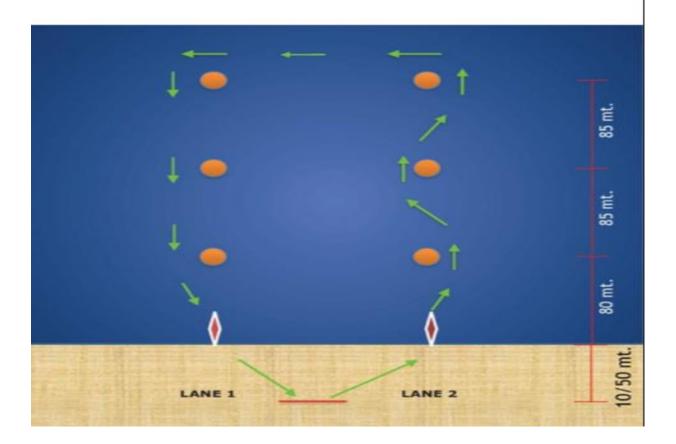
#### Important Note:

Please be aware that the world rowing rules have changed regarding the gender balance of boat handlers and the alternation of the sprinter in double or quad crews and those qualifying from this event will be required to adhere to those rules at the world championships However the Rowing Ireland rules have not changed as yet.

#### **Racing Schedule**

The championships will begin at 9am with the time trials for all categories. The time trial course is illustrated below. Athletes will start at timed intervals so there may be multiple boats on the course at any one time. A full schedule of racing will be issued closer to the event

# TIME TRIAL COURSE



#### **Progression system**

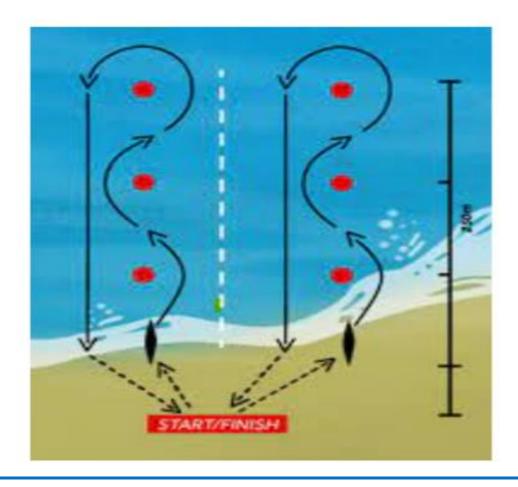
The progression shall be in the format of processional time trials in order to bring the number of crews remaining in the medal competition in each event down to eight (8). In all cases the order in which crews are drawn on Tracker shall be utilised to ensure fairness.

#### The Final Eight Crews

After the preliminary rounds are completed and the final eight remaining crews in each event are determined, then racing shall in all cases be conducted on two lanes with 4 quarter-finals, 2 semi-finals and then finals following a consistent time schedule without additional rest breaks between races.

If there are less than eight crews entered the following shall apply:
Seven crews - the fastest crew receives a bye to the semi-finals
Six crews - the two fastest crews receive a bye to the semi-finals
Five crews - the three fastest crews receive a bye to the semi-finals
Four crews - all crews participate in the semi-finals
Three crews - the fastest crew receives a bye to the final

# LANE RACING



#### **Crew Captains Meeting**

The crew captains meeting will take place at 8.30 on the morning of the championships all clubs must be represented in order to ensure the smooth and safe running of the championships,

This briefing shall outline the various risks associated in the above areas emphasising the safety rules that are in place for the championships. It shall also outline any relevant weather information that may have an effect on racing that day. The progression system shall also be outlined This is the best time to ask any questions you may have .

#### **Scratches**

In order to allow the smooth running of this event we would ask that all scratches be notified at the latest on the Thursday evening before the championships. This should be done via tracker.

#### **Results**

A specific QR code will be created for the racing results and will be available on the day and also available on the usual social media outlets.

#### **Event Entry fees**

Solo €20 Double. €40 Quad. €80

Championship entry fees are requested to be paid by the close of (31/07/2024) . The club who enters a composite boat is responsible for the full fee for the entry. Clubs can pay by Cheque/Bank Transfer . No Fees accepted on the day.

Note: Entry Fees are not accepted on the tracker system

**Payment Details:** Wicklow Rowing Club

Bank of Ireland, Main street, Wicklow.

Bank Acc No. 38436117, Bank Sort Code: 906734, BIC BOFIIE2D

**IBAN: IE45 BOFI** 9067 3438 436117

#### **Location & Facilities**

Brittas bay is located halfway between Wicklow and Arklow towns .It is 3 km off the M11 Motorway take the exit at junction 19 beside the famous Jack Whites Inn and travel on the R773 for less than 5 minutes and you will arrive at the venue carpark . There is parking for over 200 cars. There are well maintained public toilets with changing and showering facilities as well as local catering outlets .



# **Parking**





#### **Pool Boats**

All boats for the Swift Irish Beach Sprints Championships will be supplied by Swift Racing . Each athlete is responsible for bringing their own oars or can hire from swift racing also athletes must arrange their own boat handlers. Contact Joe Cantillon 0877680636



### **Course view**



# **Prizegiving**

Championship pennants will be presented to all category winners and Championship medals will be presented for first second and third . Prize giving will take place 30 minutes after the final race.

#### **Safety and Medical care.**

Medical cover will be provided by Wicklow Civil Defence .The Civil Defence personnel will be located beside the life guard station on the Beach. Safety boats will also be on the water during the championships as well as shallow water safety craft provided by Wicklow surf rescue.

A comprehensive safety plan is available in the championship documents .

#### **Environment**

This is a Non single use plastics event.

Please only use reusable water containers.

Wicklow rowing club is an active member of Clean coasts. Please keep the area tidy and use the bins provided by Wicklow County Council. Please refer to the Wicklow county council notice board at the entrance to the beach for details of water quality which is tested on a regular basis and consistently meets very high standards.

Brittas Bay beach is a Blue Flag beach.





SKC Providers Proud Main Sponsors of Wicklow Rowing Club