



Dear 4.7 sailors, families and coaches,

Excitement is building at pace in Dublin for the **2021 ILCA 4.7 Youth World Championships!** With just four weeks to go, the host clubs of the **National Yacht Club** and **Royal St George Yacht Club**, Dun Laoghaire are looking forward to welcoming you to the beautiful Dublin Bay. We are working hard to ensure the safety of the event for all and intend to communicate regularly with you over the coming weeks.

#### **Firstly, Covid Update**

The Irish Government Covid programme is continuing to rollout as planned. Our hotels and guest houses are open for business as usual. The Delta variant has meant some delay in re-opening, balanced by an acceleration of the vaccination programme. With no anticipated threat to the event, we are powering ahead with a 100+ strong volunteer team and a healthy activity list!

The event will be managed in full compliance with government health guidelines regarding social distancing and outdoor gatherings. Event Covid guidelines are being finalised based on Government advice for the period post July 19. These will be shared widely and integrated into the Sailing Instructions. We ask for your full support and adherence to these guidelines to ensure the event is as safe as possible for all, especially our young sailors.

#### **Secondly, International Travel**

Ireland is reopening for international travel on July 19 (unchanged from our last communication). Travellers from the EU and the US will be able to enter Ireland without any quarantine or self-isolation requirements provided they have valid proof of vaccination and a negative PCR test. Please refer to the attached 'Roadmap for International Travel' from the Department of Transport.

It is important that you familiarise yourself with the guidelines that apply for travel between your home/departure country and Ireland. The most up to date source of information can be found on your airline or ferry company website and the Irish Government travel information website, [Department of Foreign Affairs Covid Travel Advice](#). For anyone requiring a PCR Test for their return journey, an authorised test centre is located adjacent to the venue – details to follow.

**Thirdly, Event Update**

With 220+ participants already signed up, it's set to be a fantastic event!

As we countdown to August 7, we will continue to upload information to the event website

[www.2021-47-youth.laser-worlds.com](http://www.2021-47-youth.laser-worlds.com). For general queries, contact us at [ILCA Contact Championship Host](#).

Follow [@IrishSailing](#) on Instagram for the best event highlights.

In the meantime, enjoy preparing for your 2021 World Championships!

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ian Simington', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ian Simington, Chairman Event Organising Committee