



ILCA End of Season Event 2026

Waterford Harbour Sailing Club

12th and 13th September 2026

NOTICE OF RACE

The event will be organised by the *Waterford Harbour Sailing Club* in association with ILCA Ireland.

The notation [NP] in a rule 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.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will consist of the ILCA Ireland Major Event Sailing Instructions, available on the ILCA Ireland website and the event Supplementary Sailing Instructions, which will be available from 07/09/2026 at info@whsc.ie and on the Official Notice Board at [ONB link](#)

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at [ONB link](#)
3.2. The race office is located at *Waterford Harbour Sailing club*
3.3. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats of the ILCA Class.
4.2. Helms shall be a member of the Irish or other National ILCA Class Associations.
4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and paying online here <https://members.ilcaireland.com/event/all>:

The ILCA Championships are also kindly supported by:



- 4.4. Competitors under the age of 18 shall ensure that their declaration form has been signed by a responsible adult and must be submitted at registration.
- 4.5. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6. Boats should enter before 08/09/2026. Late entries may be accepted only at the discretion of the Organising Authority up to 11/09/2026
- 4.7. The maximum number of entries for this event is 150

5. FEES

- 5.1. The early bird entry fee is €65 until *early bird date*. The normal entry fee is €85. Entry closes on 08/09/2026.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. Does not apply.

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. [DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

- 8.1. Does not apply.

9. SCHEDULE

- 9.1. Registration:

Date	From	To
11/09/2026	19:00	20:00
12/09/2026	09:00	10:30

- 9.2. Briefing – A Briefing will be held at 12/09/2026 at 10:30

- 9.3. Racing:

Date	Number of races
12/09/2026	3
13/09/2026	3

- 9.4. 6 races are scheduled.
- 9.5. The scheduled time of the first warning signal on *Saturday* is 1155. The scheduled time of the first warning signal on *Sunday* is 1055.
- 9.6. No Warning signal will be made after 1500 on the last day of racing.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 10.1. Equipment may be inspected at any time during the event.

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 11.1. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 11.2. All boats shall have a painter of at least 7 metres in length, made fast to the bow.

12. VENUE

- 12.1. The Sailing Area will be *East of Waterford Harbour*.

13. COURSES

- 13.1. The courses to be sailed will be either trapezoid or windward leeward.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. *Appendix T Arbitration shall apply to this event.*
- 14.2. *RRS Appendix P applies.*
- 14.3. *RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.*

15. SCORING

- 15.1. *Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.*
- 15.2. *When four or more races are sailed, a boat shall discard her worst result.*

16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 16.1. [DP] Support vessels shall register with the Organising Authority at registration and pre-register on the host website at info@whsc.ie and, if required, carry identification flags provided by the Organising Authority.
- 16.2. [DP] Support vessels shall have an operating VHF marine radio and maintain a watch on the dedicated working channel in the event they are called by the Event Safety Officer to assist in the case of an emergency.
- 16.3. [DP] Support teams, including all support persons and support vessels, unless otherwise instructed by a race official, shall stay 150m 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.
- 16.4. 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.

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 17.1. Does not apply.

18. BERTHING

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

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 19.1. Does not apply.

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOL

- 20.1. Does not apply.

21. DATA PROTECTION

21.1. The data processing policy is available on the class website.

22. RISK STATEMENT

22.1. 22.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone"

Sailing by its nature is an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

23. INSURANCE

23.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of **€3,000,000 EUR** per incident or the equivalent.

24. PRIZES

24.1. Prizes will be given as follows: First, Second and Third in each class. Further Prizes may be awarded.

24.2. *Perpetual Trophies may be awarded for first place for ILCA 4, ILCA 6 & ILCA 7.*

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1. For further information please contact info@whsc.ie

END OF NOTICE OF RACE