

NOTICE OF RACE

Iniscealtra Sailing Club

CLUB RACING - 2026 SEASON

NOTE: [DP] In the text below infers the right of the race committee to impose a discretionary penalty

1. Organising Authority

Iniscealtra Sailing Club (ISC) is the Organising Authority for racing of ISC trophy events during the season. A racing programme giving the details of the races, including dates and times, is published by the Racing Captain and is available to all members and interested parties.

ISC reserves the right to add racing events during the season.

The ISC Racing Calendar is attached to this Season Notice of Race, as Appendix A.

2. World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)

Events are governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

3. Navigation

The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) apply. It is the boat owner's responsibility to make themselves aware of Shannon Navigation By-Laws.

4. Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available prior to the specific event and additional details will be provided at the race briefing.

5. Communication

[DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on CH16 and designated channels, as per the Sailing Instructions.

On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instruction.

[DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.

6. Personal Floatation Devices

[DP] Rule 40.1 applies to all competitors and mandates the use of personal flotation devices.

7. Eligibility and Entry

The events are open to all boats.

The Lough Derg racing handicap scheme applies to boats racing under Classes 1 & 2...

Classes are defined for the individual event by the race committee.

Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, to the race management in the time before the race briefing.

To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

Late entries will be accepted only on the agreement of the race management.

The race committee reserve the right to revoke a boat entry without reason and limit overall boat entry numbers.

In the event of ISC 'Club Only' racing, these races are governed by the ISC Notice of Race conditions. All ISC club members are bound by these conditions for internal racing.

8. Fees

Entry fees are set out in the racing calendar (Appendix A) and/or made available within 'Invitation to Race' notices, via web and social media postings.

9. Advertising

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

[DP] No other advertising is allowed without written permission of the race management.

10. Equipment Inspection

[DP] The race management reserve the right to equipment inspection at any time.

11. Venue and Course

The club location of ISC in Mountshannon is the shore side venue and the courses are set out from Mountshannon Bay, as per the relevant Sailing Instruction and race briefing.

12. Penalty System

For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied.

13. Scoring

The race management will calculate the elapsed time of all eligible boats and apply the appropriate handicap.

In the event of a tie break situation, the boat with the lower handicap is the winner.

14. Participation

All boat owners and crew agree to the following conditions:

- a. agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Sailing Instructions, and
- b. their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least €3 million against third party claims.

15. Risk Statement

Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: *“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”*

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in any of the events covered by this notice of race, 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, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f. The provision of patrol/assistance boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances. There is no onus on ISC or any other related party to provide patrol/assistance boat cover.
- 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 and information produced for the venue or event, and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

16. Privacy Statement

The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the events. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest.

It is the boat owner's responsibility to inform his/her crew that any information provided about the crew is a condition of their participation in the event.

Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the ISC privacy policy.

When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the Irish Sailing, and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.

17. Prizes

Perpetual trophies and such prizes remain the property of ISC. It is expected that the perpetual prize is returned in good order, made available in the timely fashion to the race committee representative for the next season event, and maintained while in the possession of the winning party.

It is the discretion of the race committee to award additional prizes as they see fit.

Appendix A

Iniscealtra Racing Calendar

2026 Season

DATE	EVENT	BRIEFING TIME	ENTRY FEE
11/4/26	DEER ROCK	12:00	€10
30/5/26	COMMODORE'S CUP	12:00	€10
1/8/26	AUGUST SQUIB REGATTA	TBC	€10
12/9/26	GORTMORE BELL	10:00	€20
17/10/26	PERPETUAL TROPHY	12:00	€10