



Waterford Harbour Sailing Club

RS Elite Irish Championships

6th & 7th September 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 ORGANISATION & VENUE

1. The Organising Authority is Waterford Harbour Sailing Club, The Harbour, Dunmore East, Co. Waterford X91 VX1V. Correspondence should be addressed to: Club Manager, WHSC, Harry Hermon +353 (085) 1400376 or Barry McConnell +353 (087) 2259962



2.0 RULES

1. Races shall be governed by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of the ISA, RS Elite Class Rules and as appropriate, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.



2. Advertising will be in compliance with ISAF Regulation 20.

3.0 ELIGIBILITY

1. RS Elite
The races are open to all RS Elites fulfilling the class membership criteria and rules. The Helm must be a full member of any RS Elite Class Association whilst participating in the event.
2. Any changes of helm or crew during the event must be applied for in writing and agreed by the Race Committee in writing in advance of the change being made.

4.0 CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Measurement – Yachts may be subject to scrutiny before or after any race at the discretion of the Event Race Committee.
2. Safety – All yachts shall comply with the prescriptions set out in the appropriate Class Rules, the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions. RS Elite's may be equipped with a functioning marine VHF. The channel used will be noted in the Sailing Instructions. VHF transmissions or omissions will not be admissible as evidence in any redress hearing.
3. Scrutineering of boats may be carried out by members of the Event Race Committee, who may board yachts between racing and sign off a check list of safety equipment. This will be signed off by the person responsible for that yacht. Refusal to comply with this will result in disqualification from the event without redress.

5.0 ENTRIES

1. Entries shall be submitted via online portal, with the appropriate entry fee.
2. The entry fee is £75 / Euro 85 for RS Elite. No entry will be accepted without the appropriate fee.
3. ***Entries received after 2100 on Sunday 31st August 2025, will attract a late entry surcharge of £20 / Euro 25, as per the entry form.***
4. RS Elite launch and recovery will be at WHSC by crane. Competitors should note that launching and recovery are dependant upon weather and tide restrictions. The decision to launch or recover at any time is entirely at the owners risk.
5. Registration, will be available at WHSC on Friday 5th September, from 7-8pm and on the morning of the event from 9-10am
6. Any changes in crew during the event must be notified in writing to the Race Committee.

6.0 SCORING

1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A, will apply.
2. 6 races are scheduled of which 2 shall constitute a series.
3. If up to 4 races are completed all race scores will count. If 5 or more races are sailed, one discard will be allowed (Amends RRS Appendix A2).
4. Series Ties in accordance with Appendix A 8

7.0 SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event
Saturday 6 th September	10.00	Competitor Briefing WHSC
	11.30	Warning signal, Race 1 Race 2 a.s.a.p. following Race 1 Race 3 a.s.a.p. following Race 2
Sunday 7 th September	10.00	Warning signal, Race 4 Race 5 a.s.a.p following Race 4 Race 6 a.s.a.p. following Race 5 No Race will be started after 1430hrs
	1630 approx	Prize Giving at RNIYC

8.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The Sailing Instructions for the event will be available by Wednesday 27th September 2025 and may be emailed to event entrants and placed on the RS Elite website and WHSC website.
2. The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward – full details will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

9.0 PROTESTS

1. The procedure for protests shall be in accordance with the current ISAF Rules.
2. The Exoneration Penalty and the RYA Arbitration Procedure of the RYA Rules Disputes Procedures will be available. It is accessible on the RYA website.

10.0 PRIZEGIVING & PRIZES

The presentation of Trophies and Prizes is scheduled to take place following racing on Sunday 7th September at the Waterford Harbour Sailing Club, at 1630 hrs [Approx]

Additional information is available on the WHSC website www.whsc.ie