



Irish Nationals



Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd August

Killaloe Sailing Club

Sponsored by



NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is Killaloe Sailing Club (KSC) in conjunction with The Irish RS Class Association.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the notice of race (NoR) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Notice of Race (NoR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of Irish Sailing and the rules of RS 400, RS 200 and RS Feva classes as appropriate.
- 1.2 Racing rules Race Signals AP, 31, 33, 35, 44.1, 60.1, 61.1(a), 60.3(b), 61.4(b), 61.2(b), A2, A5.1 and A5.2 will be changed. The changes appear, in full, in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at <https://www.killaloesailingclub.com/sailing/rs-nationals-2026/> no later than the 14th August it will also be shared on the official noticeboard

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The official noticeboard will be located at <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LV5ySSXzGfe6yThBYbIIAk>.



- 3.2 [DP] While racing, 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.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the RS 400, RS 200 and RS Feva classes.
- 4.2 At least one of helm or crew shall be a member of the RS Ireland or other National RS Class Association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at <https://www.killaloesailingclub.com/sailing/rs-nationals-2026/>
- 4.4 To be considered an entry at an event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organising Committee, subject to the payment of a late entry surcharge.

5. FEES

Entry fees are as follows:

RS400/ RS200 Seniors (3-Day Event)	€ 120
RS400 Juniors / RS200 Juniors /RS Feva (3-day Event)	€ 90

Up to 18:00 Friday 14th August

Juniors – both helm and crew must be under 19 on 31st December 2026 or a student with valid undergraduate student ID. Late registrations will attract an additional fee of €20 against the Fees above at the discretion of the organising authority.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

Does not apply.

7. **ADVERTISING**
[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority.
8. **QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES**
Does not apply.
9. **SCHEDULE**
- 9.1 Registration: All Classes Thursday 20th -19:00 to 21:00. Friday 21st August 9:30 – 10:30
- 9.2 Briefing – A Briefing will be held at 10:35 on Friday 21st August 2026.
- 9.3 Racing: Dates:
Friday 21st August Races 1-3.
Saturday 22nd August Races 4-6.
Sunday 23rd August Races 7-9.
- 9.4 Nine Races are scheduled.
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on the Friday is 11:55. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Saturday & Sunday is 10:55. No Warning Signals will be made after 15:00 on Sunday 23rd August
- 9.6 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 9.7 A fourth race may be run on any day at the discretion of the Race Committee. To indicate this intention, the finish boat will display flag Numeral 4 at the end of the third race held on that specific day.
10. **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**
Boats may be inspected at any time.
11. **CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT**
RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
12. **VENUE**
The Sailing Area will be a defined sailing area on Lough Derg adjacent to Killaloe Sailing Club.
13. **COURSES**
The courses to be sailed will be Windward Leeward or Trapezoid.
14. **PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 14.2 Appendix T and the Exoneration Penalty apply to this event. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to the protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.
15. **SCORING**
- 15.1 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.3 When 4-7 Races are completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores minus their worst result. This changes RRS A2
- 15.4 When 8 or More races are completed a boats series score will be the total of her race scores minus their two worst results. This changes RRS A2
16. **[DP] [NP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS**
- 16.1 Support teams, including all support persons and support person vessels shall stay 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.
- 16.2 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**
Charter Boats are available for the RS Feva Fleets. If a Charter Boat is required please Text Kenny Rumbell on 086 407 4275 or ring the INSS on 01 2844195 or via email on sailing@inss.ie.
18. **BERTHING**
[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park.
19. **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
Does not apply.
20. **DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**
Does not apply.
21. **DATA PROTECTION**
- 21.1 The Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.
- 21.2 RIGHT TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS, Competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed recording of or relating to the event.

22. **RISK STATEMENT**

- 22.1 RRS 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”.
- 22.2 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**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of £3,000,000 Pounds Sterling per incident or the equivalent.

24. **PRIZES**

Prizes may be awarded, dependant on entries and at the discretion of the Race Committee, in each class as follows (subject to entries per class):

Class	Category	1st	2nd	3rd
RS400/ RS200/ RS Feva	Overall	●	●	●
RS400/ RS200	Masters	●		
RS400/ RS200/ RS Feva	Female Helm	●		
RS400/ RS200	Junior	●		
RS Feva	Silver Fleet	●	●	●

25. **TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP**

Competitors in the regatta will be granted temporary membership of Killaloe Sailing Club for the duration of the event and will be bound by the rules of the Club. The Club reserves the right to withdraw such temporary membership.

26. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact info@killaloesailingclub.com or ask in the event WhatsApp Group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LV5ySSXzGfe6yThBYbIIAk> or Contact Dave Mullally +353 86 3895665 (for help entering the club to drop off boats)

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