



2025 BOAT OF THE YEAR (BOTY)

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority is the Irish Cruiser Racing Association (ICRA).

1. RULES

1.1 The Event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 Cruisers meeting the following criteria are eligible.

2.1.1 A cruiser shall be a mono-hull yacht, capable of being fitted with lying down bunks for two people and capable of having adequate internal sitting-down accommodation for four people, without the necessity for modifications.

2.1.2 Boats shall be capable of satisfying, without the necessity for modifications, World Sailing Category 4 safety regulations. This provision does not preclude more stringent safety measures being required for particular races or events.

2.1.3 ICRA reserves the ultimate authority to determine whether or not a particular boat or boat model satisfies this definition.

2.2 There are no additional entry fees or requirements beyond those of the individual events listed in NoR 3.

2.3 All entries must hold a valid 2025 ECHO Certificate.

3. EVENTS

3.1 CATEGORY 1: CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS: EVENT WEIGHTING X1.25

ICRA National Championships, Kinsale

D2D Yacht Race

Volvo Dun Laoghaire Regatta

3.2 CATEGORY 2: REGIONAL EVENTS: EVENT WEIGHTING X1

IRC Northern Ireland Championships

ISORA Coastal Series

Round Aran Race

Calves Week

WIORA Championships

ISORA Offshore series

DBSC Thursday Series

RCYC Autumn League

HYC Autumn League

4. SCORING

4.1 A boat's Score shall be calculated from its 4 best Event Scores from the events listed in NoR 3 of which only 2 can be from Category 1 events.

4.2 A boats Event Score for a given event shall be its best Division Score from that event.

4.3 A boats Division Score shall be based on its overall series placing in its IRC/ECHO division at the event:

4.3.1 3 points for 1st, 2 points for 2nd, 1 point for 3rd, multiplied by the Division Weighting.

4.4 The Division Weighting shall be the Event Weighting of the event the division is part of adjusted as follows:

4.5 If a Division has 3 or fewer entrants the Division Weighting is reduce by 0.5.

4.6 If a Division has 4 or 5 entrants the Division Weighting is reduce by 0.25.

4.7 Ties will be decided in favour of the boat with the best ICRA Overall Score at the ICRA National Championships.

5. PRIZES

5.1 ICRA Boat of the Year Trophies shall be awarded for both IRC and ECHO classes. The trophies shall be presented at the Annual ICRA Conference & AGM.