KINSALE YACHT CLUB

SCORA Kinsale Fastnet Race 2025
FG 18.55hrs 23rd May
Sponsored by
UK Sailmakers Ireland

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **Organising Authority.** The Organising Authority is Kinsale Yacht Club.

2. **Rules**

2.1 Cruiser Class Racing will be governed by World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028 ("RRS"), the prescriptions of the Irish Sailing Association ("ISA"), the IRC Rating Rule 2025, the rules of SCORA, the rules of ECHO, the Sailing Instructions ("SIs") of this race and any amendments thereto.

2.2 Each boat must have a minimum of two crew to qualify for entry (skipper and one other).

2.3 This is a mono hull Category 3 race as per the 'World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations'. Each yacht is required to have on board a life raft of sufficient size to cater for the total number of crew on-board and hold a valid in-date service certificate for the raft.

2.4 As per OSR 3.29.7 each yacht is required to have an AIS Transponder which either: a) shares the masthead VHF antenna via a low loss AIS antenna splitter, or b) has a dedicated AIS antenna not less than 38 cm (15") in length mounted with its base not less than 3 m (10') above the waterline and co-axial feeder cable with not more than 40% power loss.

3. **Eligibility**

3.1 To be eligible to enter Kinsale Yacht Club ("KYC" or the "Club") Fastnet Race 2025, the owner and/or helm must be a member of a Yacht Club and the ISA. This amends RRS Appendix 2. All competitors shall be temporary members of Kinsale Yacht Club for the duration of the race.

3.2 Cruiser Class Racing is open to all Cruisers, Racer/Cruisers and Cruiser/Racers only.

3.3 All yachts shall complete the Entry Form and Crew List online at https://www.kyc.ie/uk-sailmakers-ireland-kinsale-fastnet-race/

3.4 To be eligible for IRC results yachts much hold in date valid certificates. Endorsed certificates are not required to be eligible for a result.

3.5 The Fastnet Race is an All In IRC and ECHO race – no class divisions apply.

3.6 Briefing for skippers of all competing boats will take place in KYC @ 17:00 hrs on Friday 23rd May 2025.

3.7 A safety inspection may take place of all competing boats at the marina or before the start at the discretion of the safety inspection officer. Competitors are asked to present their boats for inspection not later than 16:00 hrs on Friday 23rd May 2025.

4. **Start**

4.1 First Gun 18.55 hrs on Friday 23rd May 2025 and it will be an All-in start at the Charles Fort Line.

5. **The Course.**

5.1 Start KYC Charles Fort Line – Round Fastnet Rock to Port – Finish KYC Charles Fort Line.

5.2 Competitors must sail to the south of the Kowloon Bridge South Cardinal Mark.

6. **Time Limit**

6.1 Latest finishing time is 12.00hrs on Sunday 25th May 2025.

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7. **Prizes and Trophies.**

7.1 The prizes will be presented in Kinsale Yacht Club on Sunday 25th May at 13:00.

- The Fastnet Trophy shall be awarded to the yacht with the lowest corrected time in IRC.
- The Ocean Trophy shall be awarded to the yacht with the second lowest corrected time in IRC.
- The Minihane Trophy shall be awarded to the yacht with the lowest corrected time in Echo. If the yacht that has the lowest corrected time in Echo wins either the Fastnet or Ocean trophy the Minihane trophy shall be awarded to the yacht with the next lowest corrected time in Echo.