



RS 200, 400, Feva and Aero Easterns 2026

Saturday May 16th to Sunday May 17th 2026

Greystones Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority is Greystones Sailing Club (GSC) 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.
- 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 in the event whatsapp group.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1 The official noticeboard will be located at the main notice board of Greystones Sailing Club and Notices will in addition be posted on the event Whatsapp Group.
- 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 200, RS 400, RS Feva and RS Aero classes.
- 4.2 At least one of helm or crew shall be a member of the RS Ireland or other National RS Class



- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online form at www.gsc.ie
- 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:

	Up to Sun 10 May	From Mon 11 May
RS 200 Seniors	€70	€80
RS 200 Juniors	€60	€70
RS 400 Seniors	€70	€80
RS 400 Juniors	€60	€70
RS Feva Juniors	€60	€70
RS Aero Seniors	€60	€70
RS Aero Juniors	€50	€60

Juniors – both helm and crew must be under 19 on 31st December 2026 or a student with valid undergraduate student ID.

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: Friday May 15th 1900 to 2030. Saturday May 16th 0900 to 1030.
- 9.2 Briefing – A Briefing will be held at 10:30 on Saturday May 16th 2026 upstairs in the clubhouse.
- 9.3 Racing Dates:

Saturday May 16th Races 1 to 3



Sunday May 17th Races 4 to 6

- 9.4 Six races are scheduled.
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on the Saturday is 11:55. The scheduled time of the first warning signal of the first race on Sunday is 10:55.
- 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 either day at the discretion of the Race Committee. To indicate this intention, the finish boat will display flag Numeral 4 at the end of Race 4.
- 9.8 No starting signal will be made later than 15:30 on Sunday
- 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 to the east of Greystones Harbour.
- 13 **COURSES**
- The courses to be sailed will be described in SIs.
- 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.
- 15.3 When 8 races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- 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

Does not apply.

18 BERTHING

Does not apply.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Does not apply.

21 DATA PROTECTION

The Data Processing Policy is available on the class website.

21.1 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".

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 **INSURANCES**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3,000,000 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:

First, Second and Third

First Junior

First Female Helm (or crew if no female helm)

First Master (over 55)

25 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Emma O'Rourke on emma.h.orourke@gmail.com, 087 766 2256 or ask in the event WhatsApp Group:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GnoZPQyVvPK15DtE1qlvyS?mode=gallery>

26 **LOCATION**

Greystones Harbour

END OF NOTICE OF RACE

ACCOMMODATION

There is no Camping at GSC grounds.

There is free overnight parking for campervans.



SOCIAL, FOOD AND BEVERAGE

Tea/Coffee and Scones will be available for competitors, volunteers and spectators on the Saturday & Sunday from 0900 and 1030.

A social event for junior sailors will be organised at GSC.

BBQ will take place in the club after sailing on Saturday.