



# Rowing Ireland Offshore

2022 ENDURANCE RANKING POLICY  
ROWING IRELAND OFFSHORE COMMITTEE

## Ranking Process for World Rowing and European Rowing events in 2022

At the World Coastal Rowing Championships, each country may enter multiple club crews in each category. Each must be ranked (within their category) by their Federation – IRL1, IRL2 etc. For 2022 it is anticipated crews ranked IRL1-4 will avoid the preliminary qualifying round. A similar system will be used at the inaugural European Coastal Rowing Championships where it is anticipated five club entries will be permitted in each event. At the European Coastal Championships, there will also be National team events in the CM1X, CW1X & CMix2X. Two national entries are allowed in each. This policy sets out the process which will be utilised to establish a ranking in each event referred to above.

### 1. Events

This policy applies to the following events:

- World Rowing Coastal Championships – Saundersfoot, Wales 7-9<sup>th</sup> October
- European Coastal Rowing Championships (Club)– San Sebastian, Spain 27-31<sup>st</sup> October
- European Coastal Rowing Championships (National Team) - San Sebastian, Spain 27-31<sup>st</sup> October
- It may also be applied to any additional events which require ranked entries through the Federation.

### 2. Boat Classes

The following boat classes are offered:

Event	CM1x	CW1x	CM2X	CW2x	CMix2x	CM4x+	CW4X+
Worlds	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Europeans (Club)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Europeans (National)	•	•			•		

The OC for the European Championships have indicated that the Club and National events will be run separately but those participating in the National events may not participate in the Club events. In relation to club events they further advise: *“There are currently no restrictions on the number of events that a crew or athlete may enter - however it should be noted that this is a short regatta and turnaround times between races will be short. Whilst we will do our best to accommodate all entries, anyone entering more than one boat class does so at his or her own risk”*.

### 3. Eligibility

Registered members of clubs affiliated to Rowing Ireland are eligible to enter these events. As these events will occur early in 2022/23 rowing year (1<sup>st</sup> Sept), clubs should note that to be eligible to compete at the events, clubs must have reaffiliated and rowers reregistered for the 2022/23 season. It is strongly recommended by World Rowing that all rowers competing in these events should complete the medical questionnaire and undergo a medical examination each year, and, in addition must undergo a resting ECG every three years up to the age of 23, and every five years after the age of 23. [For the European national team event see further criteria below].

## 4. Ranking Event

The 2022 ranking event will be Portnoo Regatta, Ardara, Donegal hosted by Loughross Point Rowing Club. The event will take place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

## 5. Entering the Ranking Event

- 5.1 Crews must enter the appropriate event at Portnoo Regatta through the Tracker system
- 5.2 The club secretary must e-mail a list of any crews looking for a ranking (declared crews) to [offshore@rowingireland.ie](mailto:offshore@rowingireland.ie) by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. E-mails will be acknowledged.

## 6. Ranking – Crews who attend the Qualifying Regatta

- 6.1 The ranking will be based on the finishing order of the declared crews at the event who complete the course.
- 6.2 Substitutions to the crews before racing are permitted in line with the Rowing Ireland rules. Should the composition of a crew change after they have raced and received a ranking, that crew will drop to the bottom of the event ranked crews
- 6.3 Crews must confirm their intention to accept their ranked place by e-mailing [offshore@rowingireland.ie](mailto:offshore@rowingireland.ie) by 7pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July. Should a crew not accept their ranking, all subsequent crews will be promoted one place.

## 7. Ranking – Crews who do not attend the Qualifying Regatta

- 7.1 Crews which are unable to compete at Loughross Point may apply to participate at the World Rowing Coastal Championships by e-mailing [offshore@rowingireland.ie](mailto:offshore@rowingireland.ie) by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.
- 7.2 Any such crews will be ranked below crews which received a ranking at Portnoo Regatta in an order determined by the Offshore Committee
- 7.3 If there are less than 5 ranked crews in the European club event or less than two ranked crews in the national team events, crews may use the process in 7.1 above to obtain a ranking.

## 8. Substitutions

World Rowing require Rowing Ireland to approve any substitutions to the crews entered. Any such requests should be sent to [offshore@rowingireland.ie](mailto:offshore@rowingireland.ie) at the earliest opportunity.

## 9. Appeals

- 3.1 Any club is entitled to make an appeal in relation to the selection process in accordance with the stated [Appeal Process](#)

## Additional Information for those entering the National Team Events at the European Coastal Rowing Championships

### 1. Eligibility

#### *European Coastal Championships (National Team Events)*

Rowers must fulfil the following criteria:

- hold a valid Irish Passport or a passport showing a place of birth in Northern Ireland;
- be eligible under the World Rowing Nationality & Gender Regulations;
- be a registered member of a Rowing Ireland affiliated club;
- be a registered racing member of Rowing Ireland
- rowers must be aged eighteen years or over on 1<sup>st</sup> January;

### 2. Qualification Process

- a) In nominating a crew, the club accepts that it is responsible for any levy which their club member(s) are liable for if selected
- b) Athletes may enter several events at the qualifying regatta but may only represent Ireland in one event at the regatta. If an athlete qualifies in more than one event, they must decide which event to participate in at the Championships.
- c) A list of the events which each crew has applied for will be published shortly after entries close.
- d) During the ranking regatta, should a crew withdraw from an event having qualified from an earlier round, the crew members may take no further part in any event at the qualifying regatta.
- e) Once a crew accepts a place on the team, they may withdraw by notifying [offshore@rowingireland.ie](mailto:offshore@rowingireland.ie) at the earliest opportunity. The club remains liable for the levy even if another crew is selected to replace them. The Offshore Committee reserves the right to refuse selection in the following year to crews which withdraw and do not notify the committee immediately they become aware of the unavailability of a crew member.
- f) In the event that a single sculler withdraws, the committee will offer the position to the next qualified sculler. In the event that a member of a crew withdraws, the Offshore Committee will consider whether to pass the opportunity to the next qualified crew or whether to replace the crew member. At a regatta the Team Manager will have the power to make any necessary substitutions.
- g) Should there be no entries for a boat class at the qualification event the Offshore Committee may at their discretion select a crew.

### 3. Coaches

Each crew which qualifies will be entitled to bring one official coach to the relevant event. All such coaches must be Garda Vetted/Access NI approved. In addition, they must have completed Safeguarding 1. These are unpaid volunteer positions and the coaches travel at their own expense.

## 4. Team manager

A Team Manager will be appointed by the offshore committee. The individual will have good organisational skills and must have experience of attending World Rowing Coastal events. [He/she must have the skills as laid out in the Team manager job description and must be a member of Rowing Ireland.](#) He/she must be Garda Vetted/Access NI approved. In addition, he/she must have completed Safeguarding one. This is an unpaid volunteer position and the Team Manager travels at their own expense.

## 5. Athlete Levies

The following are the levies for the various regattas. The levies include the provision of team gear and oar rental. These have been agreed in advance with the RI executive. Athletes are responsible for their own travel, accommodation, meals and any additional costs including Covid 19 testing should it be required.

Levies must be paid within 30 days of the trial event.

European Coastal Championships - **XXX**

## 6. Antidoping

All athletes attending the selection event or those selected for international competition are reminded that they are subject to the [Rowing Ireland Anti-Doping Policy](#) and should make themselves aware of same.

For additional information or any queries please contact [offshore@rowingireland.ie](mailto:offshore@rowingireland.ie)

## 7. Code of conduct

All athletes should complete the [RI code of conduct](#)