



ONESAILS MC WILLIAM WEST COAST SUPER LEAGUE

RULES & PROGRAMME 2009

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The organising authorities for the Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League 2009 are the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association in association with the Northwest Offshore Racing Association, Clifden Boat Club, Galway Bay Sailing Club, Mayo Sailing Club, Tralee Bay Sailing Club, Foynes Yacht Club, Sligo Yacht Club and the Royal Western Yacht Club of Ireland.

1.2 All enquiries should be addressed to the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association,

Email: honsec@wiora.org

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2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 The Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League is open to all boats that hold a current Echo Certificate.

2.2 Yachts must comply with the relevant handicapping system

2.3 There shall be No Entry Fee.

2.4 A boat must complete a minimum of three events including the West Coast Championship to be eligible for a superleague result

3. RACING RULES

3.1 Races will be governed by the RRS and the ISA prescriptions thereto, ECHO and IRC rules, the West of Ireland Offshore Association rules and the Sailing Instructions for each event.

4. EXTRACTED SERIES

4.1 The Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League will consist of SIX EVENTS throughout the season at various venues along the west coast, as set out in the programme in Section 8 below.

5. HANDICAP CERTIFICATES

5.1 All boats must hold a current ECHO Certificate issued by the Irish Sailing Association

5.2 IRC Certificates must be valid for the current season.

6. ECHO HANDICAPS

6.1 Current ECHO handicaps will be advised to the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association and to the Clubs by the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association Handicap Sub-

Committee Chairperson.

6.2 Progressive Echo Handicapping will be used at each event, updated with no limits after each race (or as otherwise prescribed by the WIORA Committee).

7. SCORING SYSTEM AND DISCARDS

7.1. Each Club organising a Super League event shall calculate the results for the event using the Sail100 results program and use the progressive handicap system provided by this program to update echo handicaps with no limits after each race (or as otherwise prescribed by the WIORA Committee).

7.2. DNC will be scored as the total number of boats entered for that EVENT under that handicapping system +2.

7.3. A boat entering a Super League event, turning up and subsequently not racing will be scored as DNC for that event. The entry fee shall not be refunded.

7.4. A boat's overall placing at an event shall be that boat's Super League score for that event

7.5. A boat competing in a class not her normal class (because of lack of entries in her own class), shall carry her points scored in that other class to her own class in the Super League series. ie A class 2 boat competes in an event where there are insufficient numbers to make a class 2. She competes in class 1 and finishes 4th. She therefore scores 4 points in class 2 in the Super League series.

7.6. The scoring system shall be the low points system in accordance with RRS Appendix A with the following modification 1st place = .75 points.

7.7. Ties will be decided on count back by events completed and if there is a tie remaining it will be decided by count back of races completed.

7.8. The West Coast Championship cannot be discarded.

7.9. After four events one discard will be allowed. After five events, two discards will be allowed. After six events, three discards will be allowed.

7.10. No races and no events shall be weighted.

7.11. Depending on the number of entries, The OSM 100' Race may be run as an "all-in" race. In this case Echo handicaps of participating boats may be further adjusted. Boats competing shall carry their finishing place score directly to the Super League series (as in 5 above).

8. ONESAILS MC WILLIAM WEST COAST SUPER LEAGUE 2009 PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

DATE	CLUB	EVENT	ORGANISING AUTHORITY
Saturday 30 th May Sunday 31 st May	Foynes Yacht Club	Cruiser Regatta	FYC
Wednesday 03 rd June - Saturday 06 th June	Galway Bay Sailing Club	Cruiser Regatta NORA Regatta	GBSC / NORA
Friday 06 th June	Galway Bay Sailing Club	OSM 100 Mile Race	WIORA / O'Sullivan Marine
Wednesday 10 th June- Friday 12 th June	Tralee Bay Sailing Club	West Coast Championship's	WIORA / TBSC
Saturday 08 th August Sunday 09 th August	Clifden Boat Club	Cruiser Regatta	CBC
Sunday 04 th October Sunday 11 th October Sunday 18 th October Saturday 24 th October	Royal Western Yacht Club of Ireland	Cruiser Series	RWYCI

9. CLASS BANDS

9.1 Likely Class Bands:

- CLASS 1 – Boats at 0.979 and above
- CLASS 2 - Boats at 0.910 to 0.979
- CLASS 3 - Boats at 0.909 and below
- WHITESAILS

9.2 A boat shall not move between classes without the approval of the West of Ireland Offshore Association committee or ECHO sub committee.

9.3 Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League Classes will be divided on the basis of their Irish Sailing Association Standard ECHO reference handicap for the 2008 sailing season.

9.4 The West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association and ECHO sub committee reserves the right to

allocate any boat or any type of boat to a particular class notwithstanding those boats standard ECHO handicap or IRC TCC.

10. PRIZES & RESULTS

10.1 There will be an overall Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League prize based on IRC results.

10.2 There will be prizes for Classes both in IRC & Echo

10.3 Results will be posted on the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association web site.

10.4 Prizes will be awarded at the West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association Annual General Meeting 2009.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1 Competitors participate in the Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League entirely at their own risk. The West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association, Onesails Mc William, Northwest Offshore Racing Association, Clifden Boat Club, Galway Bay Sailing Club, Mayo Sailing Club, Tralee Bay Sailing Club, Foynes Yacht Club, Sligo Yacht Club and The Royal Western Yacht Club of Ireland, their members, their officers, servants, sponsor's, representatives and agents accept no responsibility in respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss of / or damage to property sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after any of the events combined in the Onesails Mc William West Coast Super League.

11.2 It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each owner or owner's representative to decide whether or not to start or continue an event. It is the owner's responsibility to draw attention of their crew and associates to this disclaimer.

11.3 Boat owners and crew shall ensure that they are adequately insured against loss, damage or injury to persons, boats or equipment at all times and however occurring.

12. SPONSORSHIP

12.1 The West of Ireland Offshore Racing Association, Northwest Offshore Racing Association, Clifden Boat Club, Galway Bay Sailing Club, Mayo Sailing Club, Foynes yacht Club, Tralee Bay Sailing Club, Sligo Yacht Club and the Royal Western Yacht Club of Ireland are very pleased to welcome **Onesails Mc William** as overall sponsor of this event.