The Ocean Racing Committee is a Technical Committee of Canoeing Ireland and is responsible for the organisation, development and administration of Ocean Racing (Ocean Ski, Spec Ski, Outrigger, Sea Kayak Racing and SUP Racing) in Ireland.

Standing Orders

The Committee will act in accordance with the Canoeing Ireland "Standing Orders for Committees".

Composition

The Ocean Racing Ireland committee consists of a Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, and up to a maximum of seven additional members elected at an annual meeting of the Ocean Racing Committee and approved by the Board of Canoeing Ireland

Role and Remit
- Promote Ocean Racing throughout Ireland by encouraging and organising training and events.
- Develop a broad base of sea and harbour paddlers in Ireland through working with the TDU to develop and rollout introductory training courses and specialised training weekends focused on Ocean Racing.
- To work with Canoeing Ireland affiliated bodies and associated bodies, including the Training and Development Unit to develop standards of safety in Ocean Racing.
- Improve the standard of Irish paddlers through International and national competition.
- To run or support the running of a National Championship competition within ICF age group categories.
- To prepare, publish and seek board approval for a National Team Selection Policy and have same prepared at least four months prior to competitions of World and European Championships.
- To enhance the image of Irish Ocean Racing by sending teams of good standard to international competitions.
- To maintain a stock of equipment necessary for the conduct of ocean races such as Sea Buoys, Beach Flags, Starting horn and support vessels.
- To encourage collaboration with Spec/Surf lifesaving ski paddlers and other bodies and to run Talent identification days for fellow paddle disciplines.
- To encourage collaboration with Surf lifesaving clubs in Ireland on the running of Ocean racing events.
- To promote awareness of the sport amongst water sports enthusiasts, the general public and the emergency services.
- To support the running of international races in Ireland.
- Draft rules and standards which race organisers are obliged to meet when running Ocean Races under the auspices of Canoeing Ireland, to support organisers in achieving these rules and standards, and award ranking status to races. These shall be available in a "Race book" available to organisers.

Responsibilities

- Producing a draft fixtures list by the 1$^{st\,of}$ February of each year
- Determine promotions and demotions throughout the ocean Racing year.
- To encourage and promote an ethos of self-judgement, self-governance and self-assessment which encourages paddlers to match their own skills and surfski type to the sea state, independent of an event organisers judgement or an event organisers responsibility to paddlers of a greater skill/ safety level.
- To encourage good individual decision making with respect to training and racing in challenging sea conditions.
- To advise and collaborate with Canoeing Ireland and associated bodies on developing and promoting good practice in relation to the origin, nature, safety protocols of the sport including how the sport can be optimally run in environments such as "adverse weather" or "small craft warnings".
- To organise coaching and training sessions for junior and senior squads.
- To collaborate with the TDU on the development and roll out of coaching courses.
- To participate in conferences, forums, committees etc. abroad for the purpose of learning about best practice internationally and promoting Ireland as an Ocean Racing venue.
- To develop and publish a competition handbook for race participants and organisers which will include information on safety standards, race rules, competition categories and risk assessment guidance.
- To use various channels including the Canoeing Ireland website and social media accounts for the purposes of informing members and promoting the sport.

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