



Hellenic Sailing Federation

Offshore Committee

IRC in Greece - 2026

Twenty four (24) IRC certificates (instead of 20 last year) were issued in Greece until 15th of September 2026. The IRC class was present in 2 major sailing events (Aegean 600 and Rodos Cup) and 1 Regatta (Spetses Classic Yacht Regatta).

The first event of the season was the Spetses Classic Yacht Regatta, Yacht Club of Greece (<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/13703/event>), an important annual gathering for classic and traditional yachts, that was celebrating its 15-year anniversary. Held from the 18th to 20th June on the island of Spetses in the Saronic Gulf, the event included an IRC fleet of 11 boats divided in 3 classes.

The 6th edition of Aegean 600 Hellenic Offshore Racing Club (<https://myaegean600.aegean600.com/raceresults/3e2b05a9-a12d-4b26-8827-80565302ea18/?returnUrl=%2fnotice-board%2f3e2b05a9-a12d-4b26-8827-80565302ea18%2fRace&divisionId=51b458fc-61cd-4404-8cc5-938dd1d4df01&classId=ee52696e-8460-4b72-8dfc-f26ea2558fdb&t=0>) race, from the 4th to 10th of July 2026, included once again a strong participation of 51 IRC participants (36 last year) divided in 6 categories. The challenging annual 605 nautical mile offshore race starting from the Temple of Poseidon at Cape Sounio, circumnavigating the Aegean archipelago, before returning to Cape Sounio, attracts international teams with yachts from 16 countries (USA, GRE, ITA, GBR, FRA, GER, AUT, TUR, CRO, SLO, BUL, CZE, HUN, ISR, FIN, ESP). The overall winners were PALANAD 4 (FRA), a MACH 50 3.50, followed by DAGUET 5 (FRA) and AILOS (GRE), all competing in IRC Zero.

The 29th Rodos Cup (<https://www.rodoscup.gr/en/>) was held also in July (from the 5th to 10th) and visited beautiful islands of the south-eastern Aegean Sea. The event started in Kos and finished in Rhodes with stops in Nisiros and Tilos. The participation included 5 IRC boats (8 last year) from 4 countries (TUR, ESP, RUS, CRO), with overall winner COURIER DU COEUR (RUS).

Seven (7) IRC measurers are active across Greece to serve the IRC fleet. During the national annual meeting on 11/02/2026, the Chief Measurer presented to all active measurers the updates in the IRC rule and and World Sailing Offshore Safety Regulations (OSR).

IRC certificates in Greece (2019-2026)

- Valid IRC certificates at the end of 2019: 22 in total (7 Endorsed, 2 new)
- Valid IRC certificates at the end of 2020: 4 in total (3 Endorsed, 3 new)
- Valid IRC certificates at the end of 2021: 26 in total (12 Endorsed, 6 new)
- Valid IRC certificates as of 30/9/2022: 30 in total (13 Endorsed, 7 new)
- Valid IRC certificates as of 20/9/2023: 20 in total (9 Endorsed, 5 new)
- Valid IRC certificates as of 25/9/2024: 27 in total (11 Endorsed, 7 new)



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- Valid IRC certificates as of 15/9/2025 : 20 in total (10 endorsed, 3 new)
- Valid IRC certificates as of 15/09/2026: 24 in total (9 endorsed, 8 new)

