

2024 Annual Report

Int. Lightning Class Association

World Sailing policies outline the requirements that World Sailing Class Associations must meet to maintain their designation and the right to hold a World Championship. This report, compiled by World Sailing, summarises the key information provided by each Class Association, including governance details, technical oversight, equipment manufacturers, member representation, and championship events.

General Information

Chairman/President	Secretary/Manager
David Starck	Laura Jeffers

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Technical & Equipment Control

Technical Representative for WS
David Sprague (CAN)

Technical Committee Members
Joe Buczkowski (USA) - David Sprague (CAN) - Nelson Schmitt (BRA) - Ryan Ruhlman (USA) - Jack Mueller (USA) - Felipe Castillo (COL) - Thomas Allen (USA)

International Measurers
David Sprague (CAN) - Dimitris Dimou (GRE)
Chief Measurer: Joe Buczkowski (USA)

General Boat Information

Total number of new boats built in 2024	3
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Builders

Hull manufacturers	Licensed Builder
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Company Name	Website	Price of a complete boat without sails (ex VAT)	Comments
Allen Boat Company	https://allenboatco.com/	USA \$ 43000	

Sail manufacturers	Sail Production Is Open
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Rig manufacturers	Licensing or approval required
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Company Name	Website	Price (ex VAT)
Allen Boat Company	https://allenboatco.com/	USA \$ 4000,00

Appendages manufacturers	No licensing or approval required
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Members

Nations with the most representation in the Class	(Number of active boats)
USA	886
CAN	44
FIN	33
COL	17
ECU	15

2024 World Championship

World Championship	2024 DVP Lightning Youth World Championship
Website	https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/16549
Venue name	Cofradia Nautica Del Pacifico
Venue Country	Chile

2024 Other World Championship

2025 World Championship

World Championship	2025 Lightning World Championship
Website	https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/16946
Venue name	Yacht Club of Voula
Venue Country	GRE

2025 Other World Championship

2025 Lightning Masters World Championship - June 12 - Yacht Club of Voula - GRE