

2025 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

Technical Committee Members
Joe Buczkowski (USA) - David Sprague (CAN) - William Cabrall (USA) - Ryan Ruhlman (USA) - Jack Mueller (USA) - Felipe Castillo (COL) - Thomas Allen (USA) - Jari Aromaa (FIN)

International Measurers
David Sprague (CAN)
Chief Measurer: David Sprague

General Boat Information

Total number of new boats built in 2025	2
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Builders

Hull manufacturers	Licensed Builder
Average price (without sails)	US Dollar (USD) 45624
Company Name	Website
Allen Boat Company	https://allenboatco.com/

Sail manufacturers	Open Production (non-IHC)
Average price (set of sails)	US Dollar (USD) 4426
Company Name	Website

Rig manufacturers	Licensed Production
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Appendages manufacturers	Open Production
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Members

Nations with the most representation in the Class	(Number of active boats)
USA – United States of America	110
CHI – Chile	20
GRE – Greece	20
CAN – Canada	13
COL – Colombia	8

2025 World Championship

World Championship	Lightning World Championship
Website	
Venue name	Yacht Club of Voula, Athens Attica
Venue Country	Greece

2026 World Championship

World Championship	2026 Lightning Youth World Championship
Website	www.lightningclass.org
Dates	-6/26/2026
Venue name	Tuusulanjärven Purjehtijat, Lake Tuusula, Finland
Venue Country	Finland

2026 Other World Championship
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