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# By Ferry

UK to Ireland have multiple options daily from <a>Stena Line</a> and <a>Irish Ferries</a>.

For booking the return trip ferry for the Gold Cup from either Holyhead or Pembroke;

If competitors contact <u>clubdeals@irishferries.com</u> and quote the code GP14 when emailing their booking request, they can do the whole booking process through the staff at Irish Ferries Club Deals (not through the Irish Ferries website), and get a 15% discount.

The discount period starts from August 16th, for boats wishing to travel to Dun Laoghaire for the Dragon Nationals/Grand Prix, the discount period ends on September 16th, for all boats returning to the UK after the Gold Cup.

**Option A. Holyhead – Dublin Port** (Dublin Port to Dun Laoghaire is 35 min drive/ 12km)

**Option B. Fishguard/ Pembroke – Rosslare** (Rosslare to Dun Laoghaire is a 2hr drive/145km)

Option C. Dunkirk - Rosslare

DFDS Ferry from Dunkirk – Rosslare. Circa 25% discount available. Please email fimur@dfds.com and quote **Dragon Gold Cup 2024** to avail of discount

## **Dublin Ferry Port**

Dublin ferry port in Ireland is served by several ferry routes with crossings to Liverpool, Holyhead, Cherbourg & Douglas available. With a selection of up to 12 Sailings Daily, the port of Dublin connects Ireland with England, Wales, France & Isle of Man.

Sailing durations range from 2 hours 15 minutes on the Holyhead service to 18 hours 30 minutes on the Cherbourg service.

Even though Ireland is an island, access is easy by air or sea. Passengers arriving in Dublin disembark from Dublin Port, which is very centrally located, only minutes from Dublin city centre. Dun Laoghaire is situated to the south of the city, about 30 minutes from the city centre. There are excellent ferry connections daily from the UK and mainland Europe.

#### **Dublin Airport**

Dublin Airport is one of Europe's busiest airports, with more than 55 airlines flying to over 170 destinations. Dublin Airport now offers services to over 30 airports in the UK and the ever-expanding European network now more than 100 airports.

It recently underwent a €395 million investment programme, to include a new passenger terminal which will increase annual passenger capacity

to over 30 million. Dublin Airport manages an average of 60,000 passengers per day, rising to 80,000 during the peak season, with more than 600 aircraft movements every day.

## Some Facts about Dublin Airport

- Dublin Airport is located 10km north of Dublin city centre.
- Dublin Port Tunnel cuts journey time from the airport to the city centre to 12-15 minutes.
- Private/public bus services that operate from Dublin Airport to Dublin City Centre: Aircoach, Airlink.
- Taxis are readily available for hire outside the airport (a taxi journey into the city centre or to Blanchardstown from the airport should cost approximately €25).
- Most international car rental companies also have representation in the airport terminal.
- Check-in capacity of 165 desks.

## **Getting Around Dublin City**

- Dublin is compact and easily 'walkable'.
- Almost 10,000 taxis.
- Buses: Dublin Bus operates the city's bus routes running from 06:00-23:30.
- Train: DART, Suburban and Intercity Trains.
- LUAS: State-of-the-art light rail transit system.
- DART- Dublin Area Rapid Transport light rail that stops outside of the RSGYC, 'Dun Laoghaire' Stop.

#### To Dun Laoghaire

An hourly bus service (AirCoach), taking some 30 minutes, runs directly from the airport to Dun Laoghaire and Royal Marine Hotel, with availability nearly 24/7.

Dublin City is 8km from Dun Laoghaire. A fast surface train services (DART) links the venue to the city within 18 minutes. The station is located within 100 metres of the clubs.

