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Zim Sailing Approved as ILCA Builder

ILCA is pleased to announce the approval of Zim Sailing as builder of class-legal boats in the United States. Zim has successfully completed a detailed and thorough certification process, receiving approval from both ILCA and World Sailing technical departments. This process comes in accordance with World Sailing's Olympic Equipment Policy; ILCAs manufactured by Zim are fully compliant with ILCA regulations, and legal for use in ILCA events. Zim is now free to produce and sell ILCA boats and ILCA parts to dealers and customers.

"We are absolutely thrilled to be a class approved ILCA builder in North America. The certification process has been rigorous, but the technical support of ILCA and World Sailing have been terrific. We are joining a collective of builders who are paving the way for all ILCAs to be effectively identical. Our company has an almost 20 year history with the class and we look forward to supporting local and regional dealers who work directly every day to grow sailing. We hope that our support of sailing, and history as dinghy builders, will give sailors the confidence to check out a US made Zim ILCA." - George Yioulos, Zim Sailing

Zim Sailing is celebrating the initial ILCA production run with a **'Founders' Series' on their first 50 US made ILCAs**. These boats will carry a commemorative plaque alongside World Sailing and ILCA designations.

To learn more about Zim Sailing and the Zim ILCA, visit www.ZimSailing.com/ILCA

About Zim Sailing:

Based in Bristol, Rhode Island, Zim Sailing is the largest manufacturer of dinghies in North America. Currently producing the ILCA, ISCA, FJ and 420E in their 40,000' manufacturing facility, Zim sells boats and parts via a network of over 50 dealers, from British Columbia to Florida.

Zim Sailing supports the sailing community with a dedicated fleet of charter boats and attends over 40 major events each year. They are also the Official Supplier of College Sailing, and the Official Supplier of High School Sailing in the United States - supplying 38 ILCAs each Fall for their singlehanded championships. Zim will be stocking and supplying all major ILCA parts for dealers, programs and retail customers.

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