

All Ireland Pipe Band Championships , July 7<sup>th</sup>. New Ross, County Wexford.

## Instructions and Advice for Drivers.

The All Ireland Championships are being held in the Town Park in New Ross which is adjacent to the Barrow River as you exit town in the direction of Wexford. Close to the Quays area and the Dunbrody Replica Sailing Ship.

Note 1: Although New Ross is in County Wexford , it is in the south of the county and is close to the border between Counties Kilkenny and County Waterford. For most of your journey, you should be heading in the direction of Waterford City. From Dublin on , it will be the M9 motorway you need to follow – to its very end, On exiting the M9 follow the signs for Rosslare which will bring you through New Ross.

Note 2 : Do not follow the East coast road for Wexford ! This is clearly signposted from North of Dublin but it would add from 30 minutes to 1 hour on your journey.

Note 3 : Coaches and cars should be able to reach New Ross safely in 3.5 hours from Newry. There are two service areas on the M1 where there are toilets, coffee shops, etc. There are some smaller garages on the N7 south of Dublin where it is possible to get coffee, food, etc. But they are small and not suited to coach loads of people.

Note 4 : The M50 has a Barrier Free Toll. Drivers can pay this toll in New Ross . There is a garage beside the contest venue which will register the toll. Cars are €3.10 and coaches are €3.90. See [www.payzone.ie](http://www.payzone.ie) for further information.

Note 5 : There is ample car parking in the vicinity of the contest . These car parks are metered but although the traffic warden will be on duty to assist on the day of the contest, he will not be checking for car park tickets. A 60 cent ticket will suffice for the day.

Note 6 : One of the car parks in New Ross is an all day car park and there is a €2 charge payable on exit. It is clearly marked and has a barrier.

### Important Warning for Drivers

When nearing Waterford ( 3 hours approx. from Newry) Coaches and Camper Vans please ignore the signpost for New Ross on the M9 which occurs at Mullinavat, County Kilkenny - This road (the R704) is a minor 'country road'. It is very narrow with a lot of bends and hills, and is definitely NOT SUITED to coaches or large vans.

Even car drivers are advised to continue on the M9 for a further 5 minutes until you reach the end of the motorway and follow the directions as above.

### Summary of route :

A1  
M1  
M50  
N7  
M7  
M9  
N9  
N25

## Driving Route from Northern Ireland

### From Northern Ireland :

Take the A1 signposted for Dublin until you reach the M1.

Please note that there is a Toll Plaza on the M1 which only accepts Euro. Cars are €1.90 and coaches are €3.30. See for further information : <http://www.nra.ie/tolling-information/>

Leave the M1 at junction 1, then join the M50 motorway (this junction is close to Dublin Airport)  
(signposted Other Routes, Southbound)

At Junction 6 continue forward onto the M50 toll motorway  
(signposted Southbound – Toll)

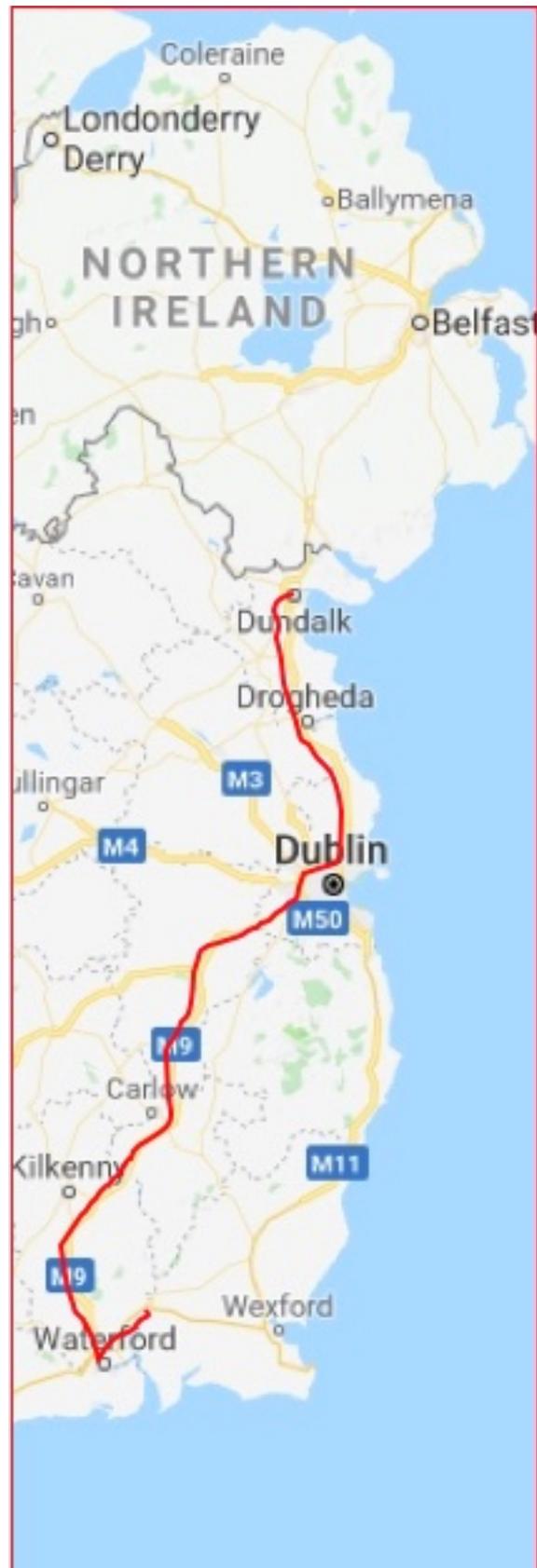
Leave the M50 at junction 9 staying in the right-hand lanes ; then merge onto the N7 (signposted Limerick). This eventually becomes the M7.

Leave the M7 at junction 11, then join the M9 motorway (signposted Waterford)  
(approximately 40 minutes south of Dublin)

At Quarry Roundabout (the first roundabout which occurs at the end of the M9 motorway - ) take the 1st exit onto the N9  
(signposted Waterford).

At the next Roundabout take the first exit and follow the N25 signposts for Rosslare. 20 minutes more should bring you to New Ross.

On crossing the bridge into New Ross, turn right at the end of the bridge and travel along the Quay side. The Dunbrody Tall Ship & Visitor Centre should be clearly visible on your right. The coach parking will be on your left very close to the Dunbrody Famine Ship Centre. Stewards will be on hand to guide you into place. The contest venue is less than 5 minutes walk from your coach. The short parade of bands at the end of the contest will finish in the coach park.



**If you have any questions just e-mail [monty1@eircom.net](mailto:monty1@eircom.net) or post a question on the All Ireland Pipe Band Championship page on facebook.**

1. Vehicles are parked at the owners risk. Any damage or loss is the responsibility of the vehicle owner and the All Ireland 2018 organising committee, IPBA or RSPBANI cannot be held responsible for any claim arising from the use of the motorhome and caravan parking area.
2. All vehicles must be adequately insured and be safe to park within the designated parking area for the duration of their stay.
3. Parking is at the direction and discretion of the organizing committee and we would respectfully request that all requests are adhered to.
4. Motorhome and caravan parking is not permitted in the adjoining Lidl, Aldi or other commercial parking areas. Parking fees may apply in local authority parking areas.
5. Parking is free in the designated area but it must be pre-booked on a first-come first-served basis.