



33rd International Offshore Ionian Sailing Week 2023



NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[DP]' in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[NP]' in the NoR means that the a boat may not protest another boat for infringement of such rule, modifying the RRS 60.1 (a).

The Notation NoR refers to the Notice of Race while the Notation SI refers to the Sailing Instructions

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY – VENUE

The Sailing Clubs of Patras, Sailing club of Kerkyra, the Nautical club of Kefalonia – Ithaki, The Athletic Club of Ithaki “Proodos”, the ANOZ Zakynthos, the Nautical club of Lefkada, the Nautical club of Preveza, the Nautical Club of Mesolongi and the Latsios Club of Katakolo announce the Offshore Sailing Regatta “**33rd International Offshore Ionian Sailing Week 2023**”. The event will be held from **Saturday 29th July to Sunday August 6th 2023**, for boats with IMS certificates.

2. RACE AREA

The event will be sailed in the waters of the Gulf of Corinth, in the Gulf of Patras and Ionian Sea, starting from Trizonia and visiting Patras, Mesolongi and Zakynthos to finally finish at Katakolo.

3. SECRETARIAT

3.1 The address of the Secretariat and the Race Office, until the start of the regatta is:

Sailing Club of Patras,
Terpsithea Marina, 26441 Patras,
Tel.: +30 2610 423939 & +30 6974157853
Email: info@sailingclub.gr, iopatra@gmail.com

3.2. The Secretariat currently operates on working days Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 09:00 to 14:00 & Wednesday 15:00 to 20:00.

3.3. During the Event the Secretariat will operate on the Race Committee boat or in other local places published on the Official Notice Board (ONB).

4. RULES

The event will be governed by the following rules as issued at the time of the event:

- Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS)
- Offshore Special Regulations (OSR). The event is category 4. VHF on board is mandatory with all the obligatory channels plus VHF channels 69, 72, 73 and 77 must be included.
- IMS Rule
- ORC Rating Systems
- IRC Rule 2023
- ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2012 – 2013. The Event is classified in Category 4.
- Prescriptions of the Hellenic Sailing Federation / Hellenic Offshore Committee.
- From sunset to sunrise, the 1972 International Rules for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) as amended in November 1981, replace the Part 2 Right of Way Rules of the RRS.
- This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and their amendments. In case of contradiction, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail (modifying the RRS 63.7).
- Where there is a conflict between languages, the Greek text of all documents shall prevail.

5. CO-ORGANIZERS, PRIZE SETTING & SPONSORS

5.1 All sponsors and supporters will be published in time.

5.2. The Organizing Authority (OA) may require all participating boats to display a sponsor's decal to both sides of the bow for the full duration of the Regatta, according to WS Advertising Code, Regulation 20.4.1. The decals will be provided by the Organizing Authority.

5.3 The OA may ask from the participating boats without any cost to them, to install video camera or position transmitting system, and reserves the right to use any photos or videos from the Regatta to improve the public relations of the Regatta and her destinations.

6. ADVERTISEMENT

6.1 The Regatta is under category C of the Rule 20, Part IV of the ISAF Advertising Code. Therefore boats bearing individual advertisement during the Regatta must comply to the above-mentioned Rule and with their National Authority Regulations.

6.2 Boats bearing advertisements must carry the relative permission from their National Authority or be listed on a relevant National register (e.g. <https://offshore.org.gr/index.php?mx=sponsors&x=sponsors.xsl>). This permission must be submitted together with the Race Entry form.

6.3 WS Advertising Code will take effect from 07:00 of Saturday July 29th up to 24:00 on Sunday August 6th.

7. BOAT ELIGIBILITY

7.1. The Regatta is open to boats rated under ORC (ORCi, ORC Club, ORC DH) with the additional provision of section 11.4

7.2 Entry for more than 1 class is only permitted for boats entering in both ORC DH and ORC.

7.3. The entry fee will be 50 Euro per boat.

8. ENTRIES

8.1 Entries must be submitted to the Sailing Club of Patras Secretariat, completed in full, not later than Thursday 27/07/2023, 14:00 hours by submitting the official Entry Form available from the club's website(www.sailingclub.gr) by email to the Secretariat (see section 3) and accompanied with:

- A copy of the current Rating Certificate 2023, as required by the National Authority & the Class Rules.
- A copy of the boat's Insurance Certificate.
- A copy of the Advertising Permission from the National Authority if applicable
- The Crew list
- The Entry Fee.

8.2 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

8.3 [DP] For safety reasons, the entry form must include a mobile number that will be reachable for the full duration of the event.

8.4 An entry that does not comply with the above requirements will be rejected.

8.5 The OA has the right to reject or cancel an entry provided it states the reason for doing so (RRS 76.1)

9. PROGRAM – SOCIAL EVENTS – SCHEDULE OF RACES

9.1 The **33rd International Offshore Ionian Sailing Week 2023** consists of a series of four (4) races.

9.2 The program is as follows:

Saturday 29/07/2023,

14:00 to 20:00 Boat inspections in the venue of Trizonia

Sunday 30/07/2023,

11:00- 14:00 14:00 to 20:00 Boat inspections in the venue of Trizonia

20:00 Skipper's briefing

21:00 Opening Event / Welcoming Event

Monday 31/07/2023

11:00 Start of 1st Race Trizonia – Rio (26 NM)

Tuesday, August 1st 2023

21:00 Prize ceremony of the 1st race

Wednesday, August 2nd 2023

11:00 Start of 2nd Race Patra – Mesolongi (26 NM)

21:00 Prize ceremony of the 2nd race

Thursday, August 3rd 2023

11:00 Start of 3rd Race Mesolongi - Zakynthos (42 NM)

Friday August 4th 2023

21:00 Prize award ceremony

Saturday August 5th 2023

11:00 Start of 4th Race Zakynthos – Katakolo (23 NM)

Sunday August 6th 2023

20:30 Prize award ceremony. Closing ceremony

Other social events during the Sailing Week will be scheduled and participants will be notified accordingly.

10. NAVIGATIONAL RESTRICTIONS

The details of the Routes will be given with the Sailing Instructions.

11. CLASSES and CATEGORIES

11.1 Boats with IMS certificates (ORCi, ORC Club, ORC DH) other than Non-Spinnaker will be entered in class ORC

11.2 Boats in class ORC will be separated in categories (ORC A, ORC B, ORC C) based on their CDL independently of their certificate type

11.3 Boats with IMS certificates type ORC DH will be entered in the ORC DH class

11.4 Boats with IMS certificates type Non Spinnaker will be entered in the ORC NON SPINNAKER class

11.5 The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to merge or divide the fleet in accordance with current rules, and the number of participating boats. The only exception is with the ORC NON SPINNAKER that will not be merged with another category.

11.6 In case of less than 3 entries in one category then they will be merged with another category. In case the entries for the ORC NON SPINNAKER category are less than 3 then they will not be merged with another category.

11.7 Limits for each class and the final lists with mergers or divides will be announced at the Skipper Briefing

12. TIME CORRECTION SYSTEM

12.1 The “Performance Curve Scoring – Constructed Course” will be applied. In case of not enough wind data according to the decision of the RC, the Committee can alternatively use the “Performance Curve Scoring – ALL PURPOSE”.

12.2 The data used by the RC regarding distances, velocity and direction of the wind are undisputable and are not subject to any request of Redress.

12.5 The time limit for the ORC boats is defined according to the formula “ $APH \times 2,5 \times \text{Distance}$ ”. In case of light winds forecast or other reason, the Race Committee can set up an alternative factor in the above formulae to create a longer time limit allowing the boats to finish. In such case the alternative factor shall be announced no later than 3 hours prior to the scheduled race start, accompanied by announcement on the VHF prior to the start procedure, modifying the rule 90.2 of the RRS

13. SCORING SYSTEM

13.1 The Low Point Scoring System of R.R.S. Appendix A.4. shall apply. There shall be no discard.

13.2 The weighting factor for the offshore races is 1

13.3 The winners of the Regatta will be designated by the sum of their points on all offshore races.

13.4 The regatta is valid if two races are completed.

13.5 The scoring of the classes will be derived from the overall scoring.

13.6 Any series score tie between boats be resolved as per Sailing Instructions.

14 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the ONB and will be sent electronically to the person’s in charge

15. INSPECTIONS

15.1. Safety, measurement checks and inspections will be carried in accordance with the rules of the Hellenic Offshore Committee of the Hellenic Sailing Federation.

15.2 All boats will be available for inspection from Saturday 29th (14:00 to 20:00) and Sunday 30th (11:00 to 14:00) with at least one crew member on board.

15.3. The Technical Committee (TC) reserves the right to inspect any boat without prior notice before the start of any race, during mooring and after the finish of any race.

15.4. Each boat must hold a copy of her Rating Certificate accompanied with the Measurement Inventory (where it is applicable) in either paper or electronic form.

15.5 All persons in charge or boat-owners must be aware that according to RRS 78.1, they are responsible to keep the boat according to her Class rules and that in agreement with OSR 1.02.1 they must assign an alternative person to take over his responsibilities in the event of his incapacitation and according to OSR 6.05.03, at least one crew member shall be familiar with First Aid procedures, hypothermia, drowning, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and relevant communications systems.

15.5. Boats are allowed to use only sails that have been officially measured and stamped in Classes ORC and ORC DH.

16. CREW LIST

16.1 The crew list for each boat attached to the Entry Form, shall be received in full by the Secretariat no later than Sunday August 30th, 14:00 hrs. Crew list must include the license ID number of each crew member.

16.2. For safety and responsibility reasons concerning the person in charge of a boat and the Race Committee, submission of wrong or incomplete crew list may disqualify the boat in the current race.

16.3 Crew lists may be amended subsequently only following written application to the Race Committee by use of the appropriate form at the latest 2 hours before the start of each race.

16.4 The overall crew weight cant exceed the maximum allowed on their certificate (ORCi, ORC Club, IMS DH)

17. RESPONSABILITY

17.1 All participants in the Regatta “**33rd International Offshore Ionian Sailing Week 2023**” agree to comply with the above mentioned rules, the Sailing Instructions the Notice of Race and their amendments. All participants race exclusively under their own responsibility/

17.2 The Organizing Clubs, the Organizing Committee, the Jury, the RC, the TC, the Sponsor and any other person involved in the organization of the Regatta, cannot be held liable for any physical or material damage, injury or death or any other unforeseen circumstance to the participants or their boats or on other participants or third party vessels, before, during or after the race which is described in this Notice of Race. Attention is drawn to the fundamental rule 3, “Decision to participate in a race” of Part 1 of the RRS which states that : “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”. Upon registration, the designated representative of each boat accepts this disclaimer of liability.

17.3 All boats must have the minimum by law 2743/99 Third Party Liability Insurance. The Third Party Liability Insurance must include racing risks and Third Party Eventual Damages to persons or property during race participation as described in clause 3 of the Hellenic Offshore Committee additions to the International Rules of Racing. The yacht must submit a relevant certificate.

17.4. During the race the VHF operation in channels 16 and 69 are mandatory. The operation of the mobile phones that were declared on the entry form is mandatory.

18. SKIPPER’S MEETING

The Briefing will be announced in the SI.

19. RIGHTS OF USE

All participants accept with this NoR that the Organizing Clubs and the Sponsors reserves the right to use visual materials from the Regatta to their his own will without any demand from the participants.

20. TROPHIES & PRIZES

20.1 Trophies will be awarded to the winners of every category of ORC class, for each race depending on the participation ORCi, ORC Club, ORC Club Non Spinnaker and IRC, as well as sportboat for the individual races.

20.2 Trophies will be awarded to the overall winners of every class, for each race depending on the participation.

20.3. Trophies will be awarded to the overall event winners of class ORC depending on participation. In case they have their own category/class, the ORC DH will not take part in the Overall ORC trophy.

20.4 . For up to 5 participants, there is one trophy awarded to the 1rst. For participation of 6 to 9, two trophies are awarded to the first 2. For participation of 10 or more ten trophies are award to the first 3.

21. TROPHY CEREMONY

It will be announced in due time

22. MOORING FACILITIES

Free mooring will be provided to all boats to all ports of the Regatta. The Organizing Committee will exercise all efforts to ensure free mooring for all escorting boats

23 CHARTS

The recommended charts from the Hellenic hydrographic service are GEN: 2 - 21INT3416 - 21INT3418 - 30 - 40 .

24. CHANGES TO THE NoR

The OA reserves the right to make changes to the NoR, Changes will be announced on the ONB (www.sailingclub.gr). The OA reserves the right to change dates, the routes, the time schedule of races or events within the limitations of the RRS.

25 Communication

25.1 The Official Notice Board (ONB) is available on the website www.sailingclub.gr

25.2 On the water, the RC may make announcements over the VHF on the channel assigned in the SI

25.3 [DP] While racing, except in case of emergency, a boat may not transmit vocal or data messages or receive vocal or data messages that are not available to all the boats.

The Organizing Committee