

AEGEAN REGATTA 2023

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[DP] denotes that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the IJ, be less than disqualification.

[NP] Denotes that the breach of that rule will not be grounds for a protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 62.1(a).

1 Organizing Authority

The **Aegean Regatta 2023** is organized by the General Secretariat for the Aegean and Island Policy, in co-operation with the Hellenic Sailing Federation / Hellenic Offshore Committee (H.S.F / H.O.C.) and the following Clubs: Offshore Yachting Club of Rhodes, Mytilene Sailing Club, Offshore Racing Club of Lesbos, Nautical Club of Chios, Nautical Club of Samos and the coordinator for 2023, PEKEV Chios.

2 Rules

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as stated in the paragraph 2 of the NOR.

2.2 This changes NOR 2.6: The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations

- The races are in Category 4 of this Regulation.
- Specialty for the offshore races, the following additions to this Category are required:
 - Stability in compliance with OSR 3.04.
 - Second potable VHF if there isn't fixed station.
 - Four (4) Red Hand Flares LSA III 3.2
 - Harness that complies with ISO 12401 or equivalent for all the crew members
 - Either heavy weather jib or a storm trysail or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40%
 - Jackstays for harnesses.
- All boats are required to have VHF radios with channels 16 and 72

2.3 If there is a conflict between Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the SI will take precedence (This change the RRS 63.7).

2.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 Classes

3.1 Each class may be divided in divisions, based on each boats certificate.

3.2 [NP] The Race Committee's decision about class and divisions separation will be announced during skippers meeting and cannot be altered or open to discussion.

4 Notices to competitors

4.1 Notices to the competitors will be posted on the official notice board which will be electronic (on line). It can be accessed via the race website (www.aegeanregatta.gr) or at the address:

<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/6034/event?name=aegean-regatta-2023>

4.2 Notices will also be sent via email. Failure or delay to send the notice will not be ground for request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

4.3 The race office will be indicated (in each island) with an orange flag and its location will be announced at the skippers meeting.

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5 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not later than two (2) hours before the scheduled warning signal of the first race of the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by **21:00** hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.2 Verbal changes may be given only on the water. The Race Committee will make the necessary changes before the warning signal of a class and will announce these changes by VHF Ch.72, RRS 90.2c. Failure to receive these changes shall not be ground for request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

6 Signals made ashore

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at a pole near the Race Committee's office.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than **30** minutes' in race signal AP. This changes race signal AP.

7 Schedule of races

- 7.1 As described in the Notice of Race 8.1.
- 7.2 Times of the first warning signal are defined as follows (These changes NoR 8.1):

Date	Time	Event
21/08/2023 (Mon)	09:55	Offshore Race Molyvos – Psara
23/08/2023 (Wed)	10:55	Offshore Race Psara – Kardamyla Chios
25/08/2023 (Fri)	10:55	Offshore Race Kardamyla – Oinousses
26/08/2023 (Sat)	09:55	Inshore Race (Sport) Oinousses – Kardamyla
	10:55	Inshore Race (Performance - IRC) Oinousses
	asap	Inshore Race Oinousses – Kardamyla

- 7.3 The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the above program according to weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.
- 7.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be given after 15:00 unless it follows a signal of general recall or postponement (Flag AP) of a race whose first warning signal had been made before 15:00. Should this happen to any start, this SI shall not apply to the subsequent starts.

8 Class flags [DP, NP]

- 8.1 The Class flags will be as follows:

Class	Class Flag
ORC Performance	Numeral Pennant 2
IRC	White flag with IRC letters on
ORC Sport	Numeral Pennant 1

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9 The Start

- 9.1 The class starting order will be announced at the skippers meeting.
- 9.2 ORC Performance and IRC boats will start together.
- 9.3 A boat starting later than **10** minutes after her Starting signal will be scored DNS without hearing. This change RRS A4 and A5.
- 9.4 After signaling an individual recall, the race committee will attempt to broadcast on VHF the sail number, bow number or name of boat that has not started and is identified as OCS. Delay in the radio broadcast of these calls, or the order in which there are made, or any omission or failure in the emission or reception of these, shall not be grounds for a request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9.5 [DP, NP] All boats intending to participate in a race, shall sail close to the Race Committee Signal vessel, before the first warning signal of the day, for their hull number to be recorded.

10 Penalty System

- 10.1 For minor breaches of the Offshore Special Regulations, RRS 55 and the Equipment Rules of Sailing, the International Jury may impose any penalty different from Disqualification, or not impose a penalty, at its discretion. Maximum discretionary penalty for the minor infringements of the Offshore Special Regulations will be the scoring penalty of 10% calculated as in RRS 44.3(c).
- 10.2 Penalties for breaches of the Offshore Special Regulations will apply to one race only, nearest by time to the time of inspection. If the inspection was made prior to the first race the penalty will apply to the first race. The boat is expected to do everything possible to comply to the OSR for subsequent races and if she fails, further penalties may be imposed.

11 Protests and requests for redress

- 11.1 Protest forms will be available at the race office.
- 11.2 Protests shall be delivered at the race office or can be lodged electronically via the official Notice board, within the time limit which shall be 1 hour after the last boat, of the last class, has finished the last race of the day. If the last boat finishes after 21:00 local time, the Protest Time limit will be 9:00 on the next day. The same time limit applies for protests by the Race Committee, the Technical Committee and the International Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This change RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 11.3 Notice of protests by the Race Committee, the Technical Committee or the International Jury will be posted on the official notice board to inform competitors under RRS 61.1(b).
- 11.4 Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit.
- 11.5 The decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

12 Scoring

- 12.1 The length of the courses will be decided by the Race Committee and shall not be grounds for request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.2 There will be separate results for each class division.

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13 Safety regulations [DP]

- 13.1 [NP] Boats retiring for any reason in any race shall report to the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 13.2 Any use of the engine for propulsion purposes for rescuing people, giving help or any other reason shall be reported after arrival but latest the protest time limit in writing on form to the Race Committee stating reasons for such procedure. If a boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race, the International Jury may impose a discretionary penalty or no penalty at its discretion.

14 Replacement of crew or equipment [DP]

- 14.1 The **Race Committee** may approve crew changes (adding new crew members, replacing or disembarking crew members), after a written or electronic (via the online notice board) skipper's request made no later than **two (2)** hours before the scheduled time of the first warning signal of the day.
- 14.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be not allowed unless approved by the **Technical Committee**. A written or electronic (via the online notice board) requests for equipment substitution shall be delivered to the race office at the first reasonable opportunity.

15 Equipment and measurement checks [DP]

- 15.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water or after arriving in a harbor, a boat may be instructed by the Technical Committee via VHF channel **72** to proceed immediately for inspection on the specified area.

16 Communication

- 16.1 Radio communication with the Race Committee during the regatta will be on VHF channel **72**. The Race Committee may give verbal confirmation of any race signal over VHF Channel **72**. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.2 [DP] Except when communicating with the race committee, a boat while racing, shall not transmit or receive communication of any information not publicly available to all participating boats. This change RRS 41.

17 Finishing by the night [DP, NP]

- 17.1 Boats that finish by night shall identify themselves to the RC after finishing over VHF channel **72**.

18 Time Limit

- 18.1 The finish time limits for each race, expressed in hours - minutes - seconds are individualized for each boat and will be shown on the participating boats' list. Boats failing to finish within their time limit shall be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes RRS 35 and A5.
- 18.2 The same time limit is standing even if the race is shortened.

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19 Marks

- 19.1 Mark MB1 will be a yellow inflatable buoy.
- 19.2 Mark MB2 and the new mark MBn1 (technical race) will be orange inflatable buoys.
- 19.3 A Race Committee boat signaling course shortening is a mark.
- 19.4 The RC may set a **Windward Mark** to obtain a start to windward, if necessary. If the windward mark is set, it will be no more than one nautical mile from the starting line and the RC will, before the warning signal, display a **red** flag which indicates the mark shall be left to port, or a **green** flag indicating the mark shall be left to starboard. The windward mark will be an orange inflatable buoy.

20 Various

- 20.1 Race Committee may move the starting line to a new position, due to: lack of wind, bad weather conditions or unexpected sea traffic, displaying the "L" flag with one sound on the RC Signal Boat.

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Appendix 1 – Offshore Races

Race: Molyvos to Psara

1 The course

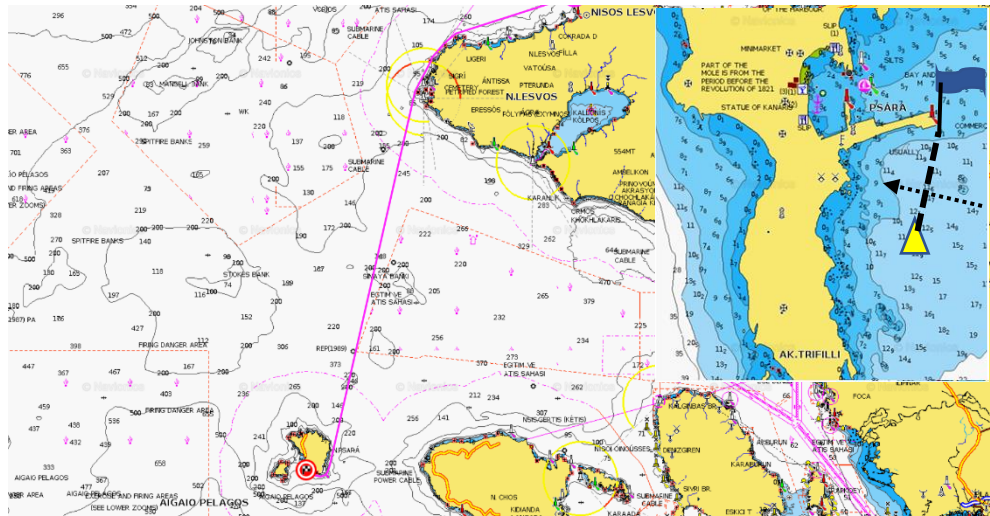
- 1.1 The course will be: Start – Finish.
- 1.2 The length of the course will be approx. 65nm.

2 Starting line

- 2.1 The Starting line will be between two yellow inflatable buoys.
- 2.2 The starting area will be near Molyvos port sea area.

3 Finishing line

- 3.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy at the port end and a pole displaying a blue flag at the starboard end.
- 3.2 The pole will be near the red light of Psara Port (approx. fix 38°32.20' N – 25°34.05' E).



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Race: Psara to Kardamyli

4 The course

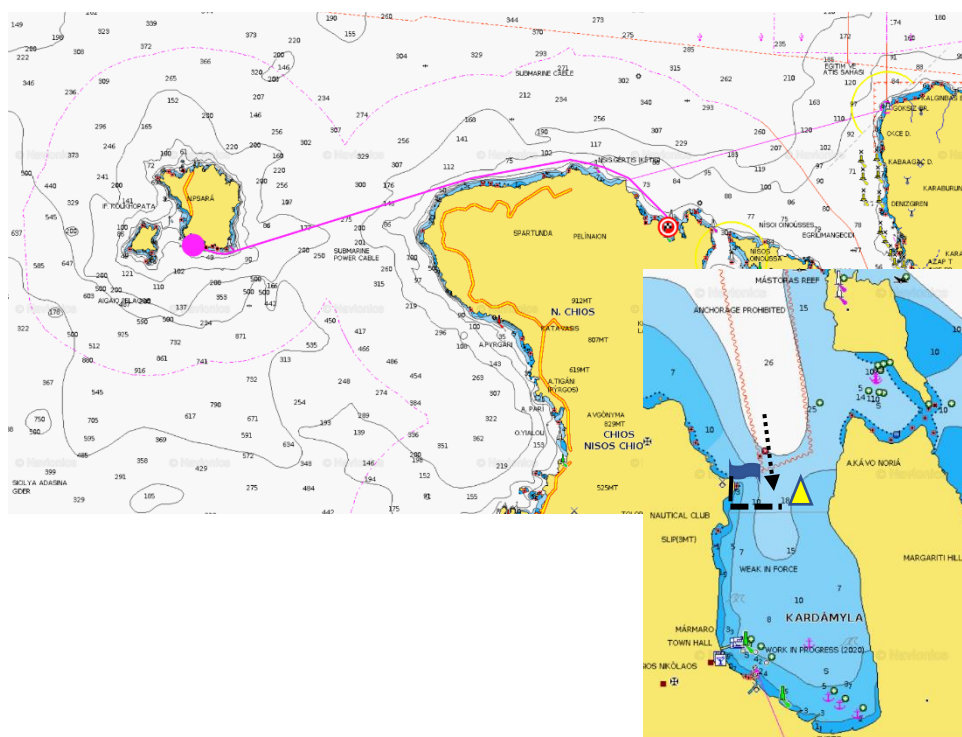
- 4.1 The course will be: Start – Finish.
- 4.2 The length of the course will be approx. 29nm.

5 Starting line

- 5.1 The Starting line will be between two yellow inflatable buoys.
- 5.2 The starting area will be near Psara port sea area.

6 Finishing line

- 6.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy at the port end and a pole displaying a blue flag at the starboard end.
- 6.2 The pole will be near the premises of Nautical Club at the entrance of Kardamyli bay (approx. fix 38°33.00 N – 26°06.64 E).



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Race: Kardamyla to Oinousses

7 The course

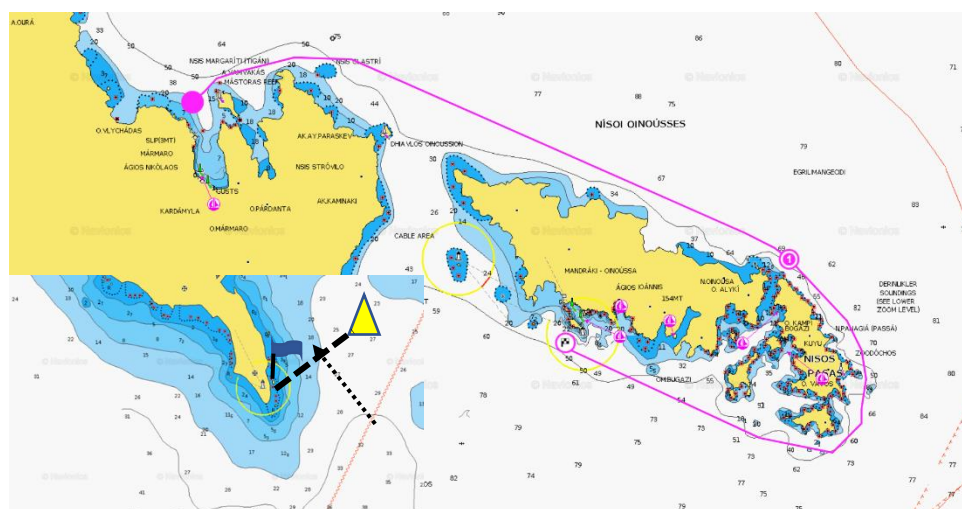
- 7.1 The course will be: Start – Oinousses isl (starboard) – Pasas isl (starboard) – Finish.
- 7.2 The length of the course will be approx. 18nm.

8 Starting line

- 8.1 The Starting line will be between two yellow inflatable buoys.
- 8.2 The starting area will be near Kardamyla port sea area.

9 Finishing line

- 9.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy at the starboard end and a pole displaying a blue flag at the port end.
- 9.2 The pole will be near the white light of Pateronisi islet Oinousses (approx. fix 38°30.28' N – 26°13.10' E).



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Appendix 2 – Inshore Races

Race: Oinousses to Kardamyla

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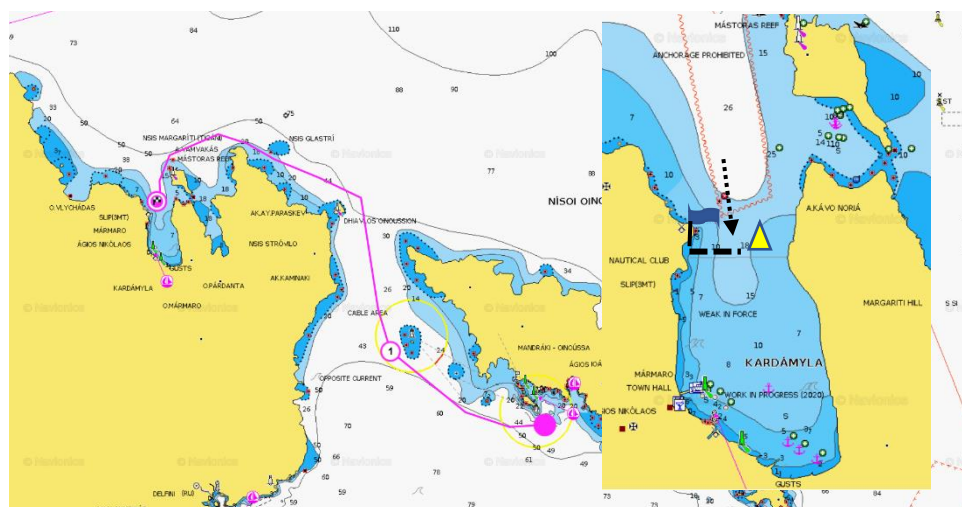
- 1.1 The course will be: Start – Finish.
- 1.2 The length of the course will be approx. 8nm.

2 Starting line

- 2.1 The Starting line will be between two yellow inflatable buoys.
- 2.2 The starting area will be near Oinousses port sea area.

3 Finishing line

- 3.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy at the port end and a pole displaying a blue flag at the starboard end.
- 3.2 The pole will be near the premises of Nautical Club at the entrance of Kardamyla bay (approx. fix 38°33.00 N – 26°06.64 E)



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Race: Technical (W/L)

4 The course

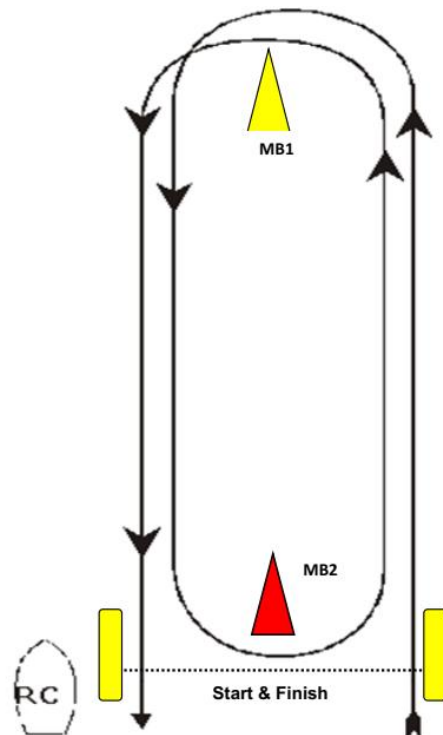
- 4.1 The course will be: Start – MB1 (port) – MB2 (port) – MB1 (port) – Finish
- 4.2 The length of the course will be approx. 6nm.
- 4.3 **Diagram** shows the course, the order and the side in which marks are to be passed, the starting and the finishing lines.
- 4.4 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the approximate distance and compass bearing of mark MB1. Mark MB2 will cast at a distance of approx.50m afar the starting line.

5 Starting line

- 5.1 The Starting line will be between two yellow inflatable buoys.
- 5.2 The starting area will be near Oinousses port.

6 Finishing line

- 6.1 The finishing line will be between two yellow inflatable buoys.
- 6.2 The finishing line will be at the starting line's position.



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Scorer	Panagiotis Papapostolou

Technical Committee

Chairman	Yannis Kalatzis Maria Spyrideli
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