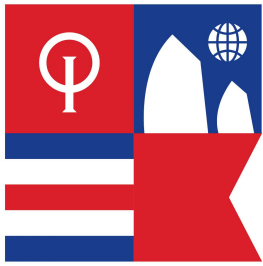


2023 Optimist World Championship



2023
OPTIMIST WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIP

JUNE 15 – 25
COSTA BRAVA – SPAIN

Notice of Race



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ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 2023 Optimist World Championship is organized by the Club Vela Ballena Alegre with the Asociación Española Clase Internacional Optimist under the authority of the International Optimist Dinghy Association (IODA).

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[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee or Technical Committee without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.1.

RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The current Conditions of the IODA will apply.
- 1.3 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix D will apply for the Team Racing events. Races will be umpired. D1.1 (d) is deleted.
- 1.5 The first three sentences of RRS 61.1(a) are changed to 'A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. When her *protest* will concern an incident in the racing area that she was involved in or saw she shall hail 'Protest'. She shall inform the Race Committee at the finishing line immediately after finishing of the boat/s being protested, or as soon as practicable after she retires.'
- 1.6 RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. The personal flotation device shall conform to Class Rule 4.2 (a).
- 1.7 In all rules governing this championship, both "athlete", "sailor", and "competitor" mean a person competing in the event. The term "support person" means a person as defined in RRS..
- 1.8 Reasonable actions by event officials to implement Covid-19 guidance, protocols, or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.
- 1.9 **[NP][DP]** A sailor or support person shall not act in a way likely to denigrate or offend others at the event or elsewhere.

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- 1.10 English is the Official Language of the Championship. If there is a conflict between languages the language of the original version of the relevant document will take precedence.

2. **[NP][DP] ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by Class Rule 2.8.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. **[NP][DP][SP] CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority. Information from this equipment shall not be used by a boat as evidence in a hearing. This changes RRS 63.6.

4. **ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1 The Championship is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class that fulfill the eligibility requirements stated below. On March 1, 2022 World Sailing published the following recommendations in relation to the situation in Ukraine: <https://www.sailing.org/2022/03/01/world-sailing-statement-6/> To help preserve the integrity and safety of the 2023 Optimist World Championship, entries shall be open to all nationalities but not to competitors and support persons holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality. The Organising Authority may amend this rule following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia and Belarus.
- 4.2 Competitors shall enter through the National Association Member of IODA (hereinafter 'member') they represent.
- 4.3 Competitors shall have been born in 2008 or later.
- 4.4 Competitors who sail in the IODA 2023 Optimist European Championship and/or 2023 Optimist European Team Racing Championship are not eligible except as provided in Condition 7.1 (c) of the Conditions for the European Championship and in Condition 7.1 (f) of the European Team Racing Championship.
- 4.5 Each member may enter up to 5 competitors.

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- 4.6 Each team shall be accompanied by a Team Leader and up to two more adults, one of which shall be a Coach and one shall be the Country Representative.
- 4.7 Competitors shall be either national or bona fide residents of the country they represent, unless otherwise agreed by the IODA Executive Committee. A competitor who has represented one country at an IODA World or Continental Championship shall not represent another member country except in the case of alteration of residence, which cases shall be approved by the IODA Executive Committee. As per Condition 9.5 for the Optimist World Championship, when bona fide resident sailors are members of a team, they shall not be more than 50% of the sailors of their team unless otherwise agreed by IODA Executive Committee.
- 4.8 As per World Sailing Regulations Appendix 3, Item 19.6 (d), IODA Events require competitors to have 'World Sailing Eligibility' as defined in items 19.4 and 19.5.

5. ENTRY

- 5.1 Entries shall be made by completing the relevant online registration forms found at <http://2023worlds.optiworld.org> and by paying the **required fees** according to the following schedule:
 - 5.1.1 The **First Entry Stage** and a payment for 50% of the total required fees shall be received by the Organising Committee not later than **February 15, 2023**;
 - 5.1.2 The **Second Entry Stage** and a payment for the balance of fees (50%) shall be received by the Organising Committee **April 1, 2023**;
 - 5.1.3 The **Final Entry Stage** deadline is **May 1, 2023**. Failure to define the members of the team delegation with the required personal data in the online registration area by this date denotes non-compliance with the entry requirements of this championship, and therefore, by the rules of this Notice of Race, sailors shall no longer be considered competitors and will not be able to compete.
- 5.2 Required fees are described in paragraphs 6 (Entry Fees), 15 (Support Team Vessels) and 16 (Charter Boats). See the payment instructions in 6.3, 15.4 and 16.8 below.
- 5.3 A surcharge of 20% will be charged on all late payments to the Organising Committee and includes late payments to the Charter Provider, if applicable, and late payments for early arrival fees.

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NOTE: *Throughout this document, 'late payment' refers to the amount of money not paid before the relevant deadline, and the surcharge will be applied to the amount paid late, not to the total amount due before the deadline, or to the total amount corresponding to the relevant item. This includes all early arrival fees.*

- 5.4 Competitors entering and withdrawing their entry not later than **April 15, 2023**, will be refunded 50% of the deposit (except for any bank costs incurred due to the refund). **Competitors withdrawing their entry after this date will not be refunded, including early arrival fees.** The same schedule applies for any payment made according to paragraphs 15 and 16 **except for the charter boat fees, which shall not be refunded.**
- 5.5 Competitors, Team Leaders, Coaches and other adults (when they are members of the official delegation) shall complete the on-site registration at the Race Office. The on-site registration of each competitor shall not be concluded until the successful completion of measurement has been confirmed by the IODA Technical Committee to the Race Office (see item 9).

6. ENTRY FEES

- 6.1 Entry fees will be **EURO 825** per competitor and **EURO 875** per adult, maximum three adults according to paragraph 4.6.
- 6.2 Accommodation and meals are included in the entry fee for the duration of the Championship (from the official arrival day to the official departure day).
- 6.3 Payment instructions, including banking information, can be found on the PAYMENT page of the online entry system at <http://2023worlds.optiworld.org>
- 6.4 Fees shall be paid in **EURO**.
- 6.5 Fees shall be free of bank commissions. Any bank fees shall be charged to the competitors.

7. FORMAT OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

- 7.1 The Optimist World Championship comprises two 'championships':
- 7.1.1 The OPTIMIST INDIVIDUAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (IWC);
 - 7.1.2 The OPTIMIST TEAM RACING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (TRWC);
- 7.2 For the **IWC**:
- 7.2.1 Entries may be divided into fleets to sail a qualifying series followed by a final series.

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- 7.2.2 The qualifying series will take place on the first 3 days of racing. If 5 races of the qualifying series have not been completed by the end of the third scheduled racing day, then the qualifying series will continue until the end of the fourth IWC racing day and so on, until a fifth qualifying race is completed, and then the qualifying series will include all races sailed until the end of that day.
- 7.2.3 A qualifying series race will not count until all qualifying series fleets have completed that race.
- 7.2.4 If 5 races are not completed in the qualifying series for all fleets by the end of the program racing days as described in 8.1, fleets shall not be divided into Gold, Silver, Bronze or Emerald.
- 7.3 For the **TRWC**:
 - 7.3.1 The event will be held for up to 48 teams from members, represented by at least 4 competitors. Each team shall comprise of 4 or 5 competitors of which 4 may sail in each race. Composition of teams is at the discretion of the member. If there are more than 48 eligible teams and the host member does not qualify a team, it will replace the last qualified team.
 - 7.3.2 Qualification and Seeding: Using the total number of races sailed until the end of the third IWC racing day, or on **June 19, 2023**, inclusive, the total points of the 4 competitors from each member with the best cumulative results will be added to give a total team score. Team scores will be based on the ranking available at 21:00 on the day prior to the TRWC, regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
 - 7.3.3 The format of the TRWC will be described in the Team Racing Sailing Instructions.

8. PROGRAM

8.1

Thursday, June 15	Official Arrival Day. Registration and Measurement. Official accommodation available from 1400.
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Friday, June 16	Registration and Measurement. Team Leaders' meeting. Opening Ceremony
Saturday, June 17	IWC Races.
Sunday, June 18	IWC Races.
Monday, June 19	IWC Races.
Tuesday, June 20	TRWC
Wednesday, June 21	TRWC
Thursday, June 22	IWC Races / Reserve for TRWC
Friday, June 23	IWC Races / Reserve for TRWC
Saturday, June 24	IWC Races / Reserve for TRWC Closing and Prize Giving Ceremony
Sunday, June 25	Official Departure Day Accommodation provided until 11:00

8.2 12 races are scheduled with a maximum of three races per day.

9. [DP] MEASUREMENT

- 9.1 Each boat shall produce a valid Registration Book and each sail shall be accompanied by the corresponding Sail Measurement Certificate (CR 2.5.6 and 6.1.4)
- 9.2 Competitors shall use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit, and sail during the Championship. These parts of the equipment will be scrutineered and may be measured by the Technical Committee according to the Measurement Regulations and approved by the Technical Committee to be complying with the Class Rules.
- 9.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved in writing by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Technical Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 9.4 Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted providing that the relevant form has been submitted to the Technical Committee, and that both the damaged and the substituting equipment has been checked by the Technical Committee and the substituting equipment has been scrutineered by the Technical Committee.
- 9.5 If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Technical

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- Committee after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Technical Committee given retrospectively.
- 9.6 Boats chartered through the Organising Authority shall carry the national letters of the country entering the chartered boat. This may mean a contravention of the Class Rules and is allowed by the RRS G3.
 - 9.7 Hulls chartered through the Organising Committee are exempt from complying with Class Rule 2.4.3 (b) and (c) and hence from Class Rule 2.4.1.
 - 9.8 Competitors are allowed to compete in the championship in boats correctly registered in the country of the competitor or charter boats officially chartered for the championship through the Organising Committee.
 - 9.9 Sails measured to the maximum limits during the measurement days may be inspected again.
 - 9.10 Sails to be used during the Championship shall have been measured before inspection at the Championship. If a sail is presented unmeasured (or without the Sail Measurement Certificate) it will be measured at the Championship either by an Official Measurer appointed by the Organising Committee, or by an IODA Measurer. In the latter case the certificate shall be issued at a cost of **Euro 50**, payable to IODA. Measurement of country letters and sail numbers is available for free.
 - 9.11 GRP boats shall be equipped with Epoxy foils.
 - 9.12 Once a boat has completed measurement, no item of equipment including the hull may be removed from the boat park or nautical venue without the permission of the Technical Committee. All items of equipment, once measured, shall not be cleaned using any substance other than water unless otherwise permitted by the Technical Committee.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 Sailing Instructions, along with other governing documents, will be available at <http://2023worlds.optiworld.org>

11. VENUE

- 11.1 The Championship will be held at the **Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre**. The racing area is in the waters of **Roses Bay**.
- 11.2 **Venue:** Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre

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Address: Ctra Sant Marti d'Empuries s/n- 17470 Sant Pere, Pescador, Girona Spain

Contact email: windba@ballena-alegre.com

Website: <https://www.ballena-alegre.com/en/>

12. THE COURSE

- 12.1 The course for the fleet racing will be an outer loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.
- 12.2 For the team racing championship, the course will be a starboard 'S' course.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Appendix P will apply for the IWC.
- 13.2 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

14. SCORING

- 14.1 For the IWC, 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a valid championship.
- 14.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.3 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15. [NP][DP]SUPPORT TEAM VESSELS

- 15.1 Team support vessels shall be registered with the Organising Committee and used according to the following conditions:
 - 15.1.1 Each vessel shall be a minimum of 4.5 metres in length and shall have a tow rope minimum 15 metres in length / 10 mm diameter and shall have an anchor chain and tackle adequate for conditions and depth.
 - 15.1.2 Each vessel shall display white flags bearing the three-letter national code of the countries it supports. Flags shall be supplied by the Organising Committee. No other flags shall be displayed by support boats.
 - 15.1.3 Unless otherwise decided by the Organising Committee, from **June 15** each vessel shall meet the requirements of the maximum number of adults per

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- team allowed on the water in support boats as per 15.2 and 15.3 (hereinafter 'coaches') at any one time.
- 15.1.4 Fuel and other consumables shall be paid by teams using the boat. There is a fuel station: CN L'Escala Petrol Station is open 24 hours a day and accepts credit cards. The website is here: <https://nauticescala.com/en/marina-in-the-costa-brava>.
- 15.1.5 During the team racing days, the support team vessels will be at the disposal of the Organising Committee.
- 15.1.6 Coaches are encouraged to use a VHF radio. Radios will not be provided, and coaches should bring their own.
- 15.1.7 Coaches and other personnel on support vessels shall wear a life jacket, are required to be in compliance with the local law and shall be asked to sign a Disclaimer Form upon registration at the venue.
- 15.1.8 All coaches shall provide I.D. and shall be required to register an international driving/marine license valid for 2023 and submit to the Organiser by the Final Entry Deadline of **May 1, 2023**.
- 15.1.9 Drivers shall attach the "kill cord" of the support vessel to their person as a safety requirement when the engine is running.
- 15.1.10 Personal support vessels not chartered through the Organising Committee, shall be registered with the Organiser and the following documents provided by the Final Entry Date of **May 1, 2023**:
- RIB engine registration document (engine brand name & engine serial numbers).
 - Third party Insurance with regatta coverage.
 - Driver's identity document.
 - Proof of Int'l Marine License or equivalent valid for 2023.
- 15.2 Each support vessel shall be shared by at least two coaches at all times (except during the team racing, when one coach per boat might be allowed, if the Organising Committee so decides). The Organising Committee will allocate places in support vessels to coaches who have reserved, subject to the above limits and at its absolute discretion.
- 15.3 Team support vessels to be used during the Championship days (June 15 - 24 inclusive) are available from the Organising Committee at the **Support Team Vessel charter fee of EURO 1500 per boat / EURO 750 per coach**.

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- 15.4 For each place on a support vessel, reservations shall be made by completing the relevant online entry form and by transferring a first payment of **EURO 375** (50% of the total amount to be paid) which shall be received on or before **February 15, 2023**. The balance of fees **EURO 375** (50%) shall be received on or before **April 1, 2023**. Payment instructions can be found on the PAYMENT page of the online entry system at <http://2023worlds.optiworld.org>. Availability of places on support boats is not guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made after **February 15, 2023**. Fees shall be free of bank commissions. Any bank fee will be charged to the competitors.
- 15.5 A damage deposit of **EURO 600** per support boat will be charged at registration at the venue and refunded at the end of the championship provided the boat is in good condition. Should the Organising Committee decide to deduct from the damage deposit, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the coaches are permitted to use the boat again. Any remaining deposit will be refunded at the end of the Championship. Damage deductions will be shared by the teams using the boat. **Damage deposits shall be paid in cash (EURO) only.**
- 15.6 A surcharge of 20% will be charged to late reservations and/or payments of support boats.

16. [NP][DP] CHARTER BOATS

- 16.1 Charter boats are not mandatory.
- 16.2 The charter boats will be provided by the Organising Committee. They will be allocated as per IODA Condition 13.3 for the World Championship.
- 16.3 Competitors shall not modify the boats or cause them to be modified in any way except that:
- A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
 - Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
 - Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line;
 - All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the Class Rules are complied with.
- 16.4 Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.
- 16.5 Charter boats will be delivered:

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WITH: hull fittings, two mainsheet blocks attached to the hull (one of them a ratchet block), mast block, airbags, padded toe straps, shock-cord to keep the dagger board in place (Class Rule 3.3.5), racing spars, racing foils, bowline, paddle, bailers, trolley,

WITHOUT: mainsheet, and becket (to attach the mainsheet to the boom), dagger board safety cord (Class Rule 3.3.4), wind indicator or any fitting at the top of the mast to secure the lacing lines at the throat point.

- 16.6 Sails will not be provided.
- 16.7 The charter fee for 10 championship days (June 15 – June 24) will be **EURO 450** per boat.
- 16.8 Reservation of charter boats shall be made by completing the online Charter Boat Reservation Form and by transferring **EURO 225** (50% of the total charter fee) on or before **February 15, 2023**. The balance of the charter fee **EURO 225** (50%) shall be due on **April 1, 2023**. Payment instructions are found on the PAYMENT page of the online entry system at <http://2023worlds.optiworld.org>. Charter boat fees shall not be refunded.
- 16.9 Fees shall be free of bank commissions. Any bank fee will be charged to the competitors.
- 16.10 Late registrations and payments will incur a surcharge of 20% of the charter fee. Charter boat availability will not be guaranteed for reservations and/or payments made later than **February 15, 2023**.
- 16.11 In addition to the charter fee a damage deposit of **EURO 150** will be required on receipt of each boat, to be refunded if no damage has occurred. Damage deposits shall be made in cash (**EURO**) only.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 For the **IWC** the following prizes will be awarded:
 - 17.1.1 The **Beacon Challenge Cup** to the best placed competitor without gender distinction.
 - 17.1.2 Gold, Silver and Bronze medals to the three best placed competitors without gender distinction.
 - 17.1.3 Prizes to the first twenty competitors without gender distinction.
 - 17.1.4 Prizes to the three best placed female competitors.
 - 17.1.5 The top girl shall be awarded the **Helen Mary Wilkes Trophy**, and the top boy shall be awarded the **Peter Barclay Trophy**.

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- 17.1.6 When the fleet has been divided into divisions, prizes or medals shall be awarded to the top three sailors in Silver, Bronze and Emerald fleets where applicable.
- 17.2 For the **TRWC**, the following prizes will be awarded:
- 17.2.1 The **IODA Challenge Cup** to the best-placed national team.
- 17.2.2 Gold, Silver and Bronze medals for each member of the three best placed national teams of this event.
- 17.3 The **Jacobsen Trophy** is awarded to the top national team according to the ranking achieved using the method described in the Appendix of the IODA Regatta Manual.
- 17.3.1 Gold, Silver and Bronze medals for each member of the three top national teams.

18. RISK STATEMENT

- 18.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone". By participating in this event each competitor and the responsible adult agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

19. INSURANCE

- 19.1 The purchase of third-party liability insurance from IODA is mandatory. The purchase will be arranged through the IODA during on site registration at a cost of **EURO 10** per competitor and per coach payable to the IODA in cash before the end of registration at the venue. Note: There is a EURO 150 deductible payable on any claim.

20. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 20.1 By participating in this championship, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the IODA, and the sponsors of the championship, the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still

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pictures, and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the championship, and of all of his or her material related to the championship, without compensation.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

21.1 For further information please contact:

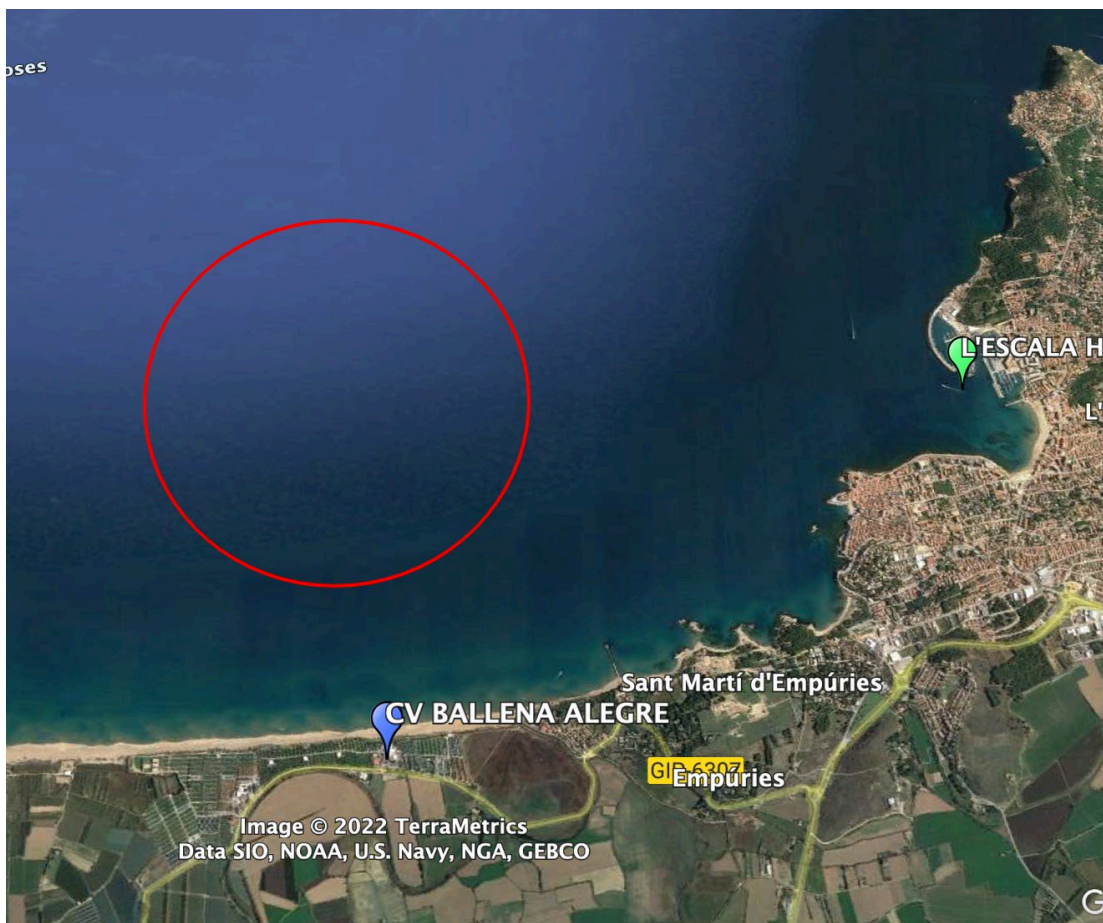
Name	PEP SUBIRATS
E-mail	2023optiworlds@ballena-alegre.com

21.2 Each participating country shall designate a person to be the official contact with the Organising Committee and provide an email address.

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ATTACHMENT 1: RACING AREA – marked by Red Circle



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A. BEHAVIOUR

Team members and officials shall observe the regulations of the host club and the house rules of the hotel and shall behave correctly at all times. Bad behaviour at any time, whether on shore or afloat, with or without any damage to the facilities, may be investigated by the Jury who may call a hearing and impose a scoring penalty when appropriate.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE RULES OF THE EVENT

B. ACCOMMODATION, LOCAL, TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS

- B.1 *Competitors and team officials will be housed in the various bungalows located on the resort property. The website is: <https://www.ballena-alegre.com/en/> For information regarding all accommodation contact **Raquel Martinez or Aurelia Caro** at the event email address: 2023optiworlds@ballena-alegre.com. Official accommodations will be available from **14:00 on June 15 until 11:00 on June 25, 2023.***
- B.2 *All three meals will be provided. Breakfast and dinner will be served in the main restaurant of the resort. Lunch will be a packed lunch distributed at the nautical venue. The first official meal will be dinner on **June 15, 2023**, and the last official meal will be breakfast on **June 25, 2023.***
- B.3 *A damage deposit of **EURO 200 per bungalow** shall be charged by the accommodation hotel upon arrival and will be refunded if no damage has occurred. The damage deposit and other extra charges will be paid directly to the hotel and may be paid in cash or with credit card.*
- B.4 *The majority of the areas between the accommodation and the nautical venue are walking distance, however shuttle busses shall be provided free of charge and as per the schedule that shall be posted between the resort and the CN L'Escala for the Coaches.*
- B.5 *Any extra charges will be paid directly to the hotel and may be paid by cash or with credit card.*
- B.6 *Special food can be provided if requested in advance. Please include complete details of any special request by filling in the relevant field in the online entry form for registration on the official event microsite at <http://2023worlds.optiworld.org>.*

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C. EARLY ARRIVALS

- C.1 Teams wishing to arrive before the Official Arrival Day on **June 9, 2023**, should complete the relevant fields of the online entry system. The daily fee for early arrival accommodation will be **EURO 60** per person per day with breakfast. All accommodation shall be shared.*
- C.2 It is possible to organise a Full Board and/or 'Picnics' during this period. Please contact **Raquel Martinez** and/or **Aurelia Caro** at 2023optiworlds@ballena-alegre.com.*
- C.3 The regatta facilities will be open from **June 9, 2023**.*

D. EARLY ARRIVAL SUPPORT TEAM VESSELS

- D.1 It is possible to rent a support vessel to be used before the Official Arrival Day, from **June 9, 2023**, for **EURO 150 per boat per day** excluding fuel. The vessel shall be shared between two teams. Reservation of such boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields in the Support Team Vessel Reservation Form on the online entry system and **by transferring a sum equivalent to the total amount (100%)** which shall be received on or before **February 15, 2023**, to guarantee availability. Allocation of early arrival support vessels will be made in order of arrival.*
- D.2 In addition to the support boat charter fee a damage deposit of **Euro 600** will be required upon receipt of each boat, payable **IN CASH ONLY**, to be refunded if no damage has occurred.*
- D.3 Late reservation and payments of pre-Regatta charter boats will incur a surcharge of 20%.*

E. EARLY ARRIVAL CHARTER BOATS

- E.1 Charter boats will also be available before the Official Arrival Day from **June 9, 2023**, at **Euro 60 per boat per day**. Reservations of pre-Championship charter boats shall be made by filling in the relevant fields of the online entry system and **by transferring a sum equivalent to the total amount (100%)** on or before **February 15, 2023**. Charter fees shall not be refunded.*
- E.2 In addition to the charter boat fee, a damage deposit of **Euro 150 per boat** will be required, payable **IN CASH ONLY**, upon receipt of each boat. The damage deposit will be refunded if no damage has occurred.*
- E.3 Late reservations and payments of pre-Championship charter boats will incur a surcharge of 20%.*

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F. TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

- F.1 The major international airport is **BARCELONA AIRPORT (BCN)** / **JOSEP TARRADELLAS BARCELONA EL PRAT AIRPORT (BCN)** and is located 150 km from the venue. **GIRONA AIRPORT (GRO)** is also an option, servicing regional flights and some international, and is located 50 km from the venue. Transportation to and from the airport shall be provided by "Transfer Bus" which offers a wide variety of options for transfers from different arrival points to La Ballena Alegre. Contact Maria Jose at +34 615 357 576 or info@transferbus.com to inquire about rates and to make a reservation. The company website is <https://www.transferbus.com/#home> All arrangements must be made before the Final Entry Deadline of **May 1, 2023**.*

G. HEALTH INFORMATION

- G.1 It is advisable to check <http://www.healthmap.org/en>, consult your travel agent, or the Consulate General of your country for the current health advisory regarding travel to Spain.*
- G.2 Due to the agreement between IODA and the Organising Committee, the World Sailing "Coronavirus (COVID-19) Guidance for Event Organisers for the Protection of the Health for Sailing Communities" is in place for this event. For more information refer to <https://www.sailing.org/medical/index.php>.*
- G.3 It is strongly recommended that you bring your own protective face mask and any additional personal protection with you, and that you wear a mask or a personal 'neck buff' while on the water. Hand sanitization will be required, and access to the venue shall be to officially accredited team members.*
- G.4 The requirement to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 shall follow all government laws, and further testing may be implemented at the venue during the event, as required. It is the responsibility of all delegations, especially those travelling from international locations, to carefully review all entry requirements in advance in order to comply with the current and mandatory local government and EU regulations for Covid 19. Requirements for entry can be found here: <https://www.exteriores.gob.es/Consulados/washington/en/ServiciosConsulares/Paginas/Consular/Condiciones-de-entrada-en-Espana.aspx> Additional information regarding rules to follow during the championship in place for risk*

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*mitigation of Covid-19 will be published on the homepage of
<http://2023worlds.optiworld.org> closer to the Official Arrival Day.*

H. SUPPORTERS

Supporters shall make their own reservations.

I. SOCIAL EVENTS

To enhance the friendship between the competitors and to make their stay in Spain more enjoyable, appropriate social events will be organised. Casual attire will suffice.

J. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1.1 Each team is kindly requested to bring its own National Flag (100cm X 150 cm).*
- 1.2 The official currency in Spain is the Euro. Credit cards are widely accepted, and currency can be exchanged in the airport and at the resort facilities.*
- 1.3 Sailors are also encouraged to bring their own reusable bottles. No individual plastic bottles will be provided.*

K. SAILING CONDITIONS

<i>Daytime air temperature</i>	<i>26 Celcius</i>
<i>Water Temperature</i>	<i>19 Celcius</i>
<i>Prevailing Wind Direction</i>	<i>SE/S</i>
<i>Wind Speed</i>	<i>12 – 18 Knots</i>
<i>Hours of Good Wind</i>	<i>6 hours</i>
<i>Tide</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Current</i>	<i>Not relevant</i>

L. VISA REQUIREMENTS

*Delegations should contact their travel agency or Consulate in their country to inquire about all Visa and entry requirements for your country/nationality here <https://www.exteriores.gob.es/Consulados/washington/en/ServiciosConsulares/Paginas/Consular/Condiciones-de-entrada-en-Espana.aspx> Letters of invitation are available upon request from the Organiser. Please contact at least **21 days** in advance.*

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M. SPECTATOR BOATS

A spectator boat may be arranged for parents and guests throughout the event at a minimum cost per person per day throughout the event. More information will be provided closer to the event.

N. CHANDLERY AND REPAIRS

Chandlery and repairs will be available at the shore venue.

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O. SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

ITEM	COST – EURO		
REQUIRED PAYMENTS			NOR
Entry Fee - Competitors	Euro 825	1 st Entry: February 15, 2023 – 50% 2 nd Entry: April 1, 2023 – 50%	5 & 6
Entry Fee - Adults	Euro 875	1 st Entry: February 15, 2023 - 50% 2 nd Entry: April 1, 2023 – 50%	5 & 6
Support Team Vessel Fee	Euro 1500 per boat/Euro 750 per coach	1 st Entry: February 15, 2023 - 50% 2 nd Entry: April 1, 2023 - 50% Fuel not included.	15.3, 15.4
Damage Deposit - Support Vessel	Euro 600 per boat	To be paid upon receipt of boat. Refundable. CASH ONLY	15.5, D.2
Charter Boat Fee	Euro 450 per boat	1 st Entry: February 15, 2023 - 50% 2 nd Entry: April 1, 2023 – 50%	16.7, 16.8
Damage Deposit - Charter Boat	Euro 150 per boat	To be paid upon receipt of boat. Refundable. CASH ONLY	16.11, E.2
Sail Measurement	Euro 50	Sails without certificate, payable to IODA.	9.10
Insurance	Euro 10	Competitors and coaches	19
Surcharge	20%	Late payments. Depends on item.	Various: see NOTE in 5.3
OPTIONAL PAYMENTS			Extra info sheet
Accommodation Early Arrivals	Euro 60 per person per night	100% due February 15, 2023 Breakfast included.	C
Support Vessel Early Arrivals	Euro 150 per boat per day	Fuel not included. 100% due February 15, 2023	D.1
Charter Boat Early Arrivals	Euro 60 per boat per day	100% due February 15, 2023	E.1
Surcharge	20%	Late payment	Various but see NOTE in 5.3