

ORC DH EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

3-5 May 2024



Circolo Nautico Porto Santa Margherita

Caorle - ITALY

NOTICE OF RACE



ORC Double Handed European Championship

Caorle – Italy, 30 April – 5 May 2024

Notice of Race

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The latest version of the following rules will also apply:
 - a) IMS Rules
 - b) ORC Rating Systems Rules
 - c) [DP] World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3 with following additions:
 - i) Life raft as defined in OSR 4.02 for Category 2 is required.
 - ii) Life Jackets as defined in OSR 5.01 shall be worn while a boat is afloat, except when she is made fast or moored or if the crew is below deck.
 - iii) Boat's AIS shall be active from the first day of equipment inspection until the end of the event.
 - iv) Attention is drawn to OSR 6.01.3: "*When there are only two crewmembers, at least one shall have undertaken training within the five years before the start of the race in OSR 6.02 Training Topics*"
- 1.3 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
 - a) All sails, including storm & heavy weather sails required by the OSR, shall have measurement stamp or sticker with all required measurements clearly readable.
 - b) [DP] Each boat shall select sails to be used at the event up to the maximum numbers as defined in ORC Rule 206.1. Selected sails will be marked with event's sticker. Only sails marked with event's sticker may be on board during the event.
- 1.5 The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) replace RRS Part 2 from 19:30 to 06:30.
- 1.6 [DP] A breach of RRS 56.2 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalty for a breach of RRS 56.2 may be different from the disqualification at the discretion of the International Jury.
- 1.7 The following national prescription will apply: Italian crews must be FIV registered (with a valid medical examination).
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.
- 1.9 Automatic and wind-vane devices for steering may be used.

2 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities and may be posted earlier at cnsn.org/laduecento2024.

3 Communication

- 3.1 The online Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at cnsn.org/laduecento2024.
- 3.2 Communication with competitors will be through the online ONB and/or e-mails and/or WhatsApp. Each boat shall have at least one device connected to the internet with WhatsApp

installed. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.

- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency or when communicating with the race committee, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code. Competitors shall be at least, 14 years old on 2 May 2024. Competitors under the age of 18 must submit the Parental Consent Form at the registration.

- 4.2 The event is open to all boats with valid ORC DH International certificate with APH between 425.0 and 630.0 s/NM included. The flotation date on an ORC DH International Certificate shall not be earlier than **30 April 2019**.

** Note: APH limits are based on 2023 ORC VPP and may be updated when the 2024 ORC VPP becomes available.*

- 4.3 Classes will be defined at the entry closing date which will be **15 April 2024**. It is the intention of the organizing authority to have no more than three classes containing boats of similar performances with expected APH values in the range of 80 – 120 sec/NM for each Class. The organizing authority reserves the right to use different rating values for class definitions as well as to adjust any class limit. Final class definitions will be agreed by the organizing authority and the ORC and shall not be ground for request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

- 4.4 Any change after applying ORC rule 305.2(b) or (c) shall not change the class the boat was originally entered.

- 4.5 Eligible boats may pre-register until **15 April 2024** by completing the on-line registration form at cnsn.org/laduecento2024.

- 4.6 To be considered as pre-registered, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event website upon receipt of each new entry.

- 4.7 Once the entry is accepted, each boat shall submit crew list before **20 April 2024**. Crew shall not be changed except in case of injury or illness and with the written permission of the technical committee.

- 4.8 Each owner or skipper must personally register in the race office located in **Villaggio dell’Orologio – Caorle**, from **30 April 2024** until **2 May 2024**.

5 Entry Fee

- 5.1 The entry fee shall be as follows:

<i>Entries and payment received</i>	<i>Entry Fee</i>
Before 16 February 2024	450 EUR
From 16 February to 15 April 2024	550 EUR
After 15 April 2024*	700 EUR

** Late entries from 15 April 2024 may accepted at the discretion of the OA.*

- 5.1 The entry fee shall be paid by bank transfer to:

IBAN IT02 I0835636020000000076773
SWIFT CODE ICRAITRR9W0

writing: “sailing number and boat name” LA DUECENTO DH ORC

- 5.3 The organizing authority is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat’s registration.

6 Corinthian Division and Trophy

- 6.1 For the Corinthian Division and Trophy, the World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code, Regulation 22 shall apply, and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 categorization. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website.
- 6.2 The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be **15 April 2024**. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the World Sailing Sailor ID and the categorization group for each crew. All crew shall hold valid categorization prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the event. Late entries and incomplete entries cannot be considered for this division.
- 6.3 Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member after the closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries, the name of the new crew member including a valid World Sailing Sailor ID must be submitted to the organizing authority for their approval. All crew lists will be posted on the official notice board or website as soon as possible after the registration deadline.
- 6.4 The time limit for a protest or request for redress by a boat regarding the World Sailing's Sailors Categorization Code is **15:00 on 2 May 2024**. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

7 Advertising

- 7.1 [DP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority according to the World Sailing Advertising Code as follows:
- bow numbers with advertisement as forward as possible on both sides of the hull
 - sponsor's flag that shall be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.
- 7.2 The organizing authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras and/or position devices, use of which will be defined in the Sailing Instructions. Participants are responsible for the integrity and any damage to the tracking and video camera devices. The owner or skipper shall sign the appropriate form at the registration taking responsibility for the cost of 400 EUR in case of damage or failure to return it.

8 Schedule

Tuesday,	30 April,	09:00 – 18:00	Registration and equipment inspection
Wednesday,	1 May,	09:00 – 18:00	Registration and equipment inspection
Thursday,	2 May,	09:00 – 13:00	Registration and equipment inspection
		19:00	Opening Ceremony
Friday,	3 May,	10:00	Start of the race
Sunday,	5 May,	20:00	Prize giving

9 Equipment Inspection

- 9.1 Each boat shall have ORC DH International certificate issued up to **23 April 2024**. This changes RRS 78.2.
- 9.2 No changes shall be made on ORC DH International certificates after **23 April 2024** unless prescribed and approved by the technical committee in correcting any error that may be found in boat's certificate before or during the pre-race equipment inspection and before the start of the ~~first~~ race.
- 9.3 Boats shall be available for equipment inspection from **09:00 on 30 April 2024** until **13:00 on 2 May 2023**. Booking of time slots for inspections by the boats will be available through the online system from **23 April 2024**.
- 9.4 Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

9.5 A boat shall not start until she passes the pre-race equipment inspection.

10 Venue

10.1 The venue for the event is Circolo Nautico P. Santa Margherita in Caorle, Italy.

10.2 The offshore course racing area will be along Italian and Croatian coast. The length of the course is approximately 200 NM.

11 Penalty system

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for breaking one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident outside the *Zone* while racing.

11.2 The intention is to appoint an international jury as provided in RRS 70.5.

12 Scoring

12.1 Race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Single number scoring option.

12.2 RRS 90.3(e) shall apply.

13 Support person vessels

[DP] All support person vessels shall be registered at the race office. Identification numbers will be provided by the organizing authority. These numbers shall be always visible.

14 Nautical charts

The following nautical charts of the “Istituto Idrografico Marina Militare” are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: **chart number 924**.

15 Berthing

15.1 Mooring will be provided at Darsena dell’Orologio and Marina S.Andrea (for boats with draft of more than 3 meters)

15.2 Boats will be moored, free of charge, until the available places are exhausted, at the above marinas under the responsibility of the owner or skipper from 27 April to 5 May. The boats shall send end before their arrival the Mooring Form available at cnsm.org/laduecento2024, indicating the date and time of arrival.

15.3 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

16 Haul-out Restrictions

16.1 [DP] All boats shall be in the water on **30 April 2024** until the end of the last scheduled race of the series.

16.2 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the technical committee. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted. Appendages shall not be removed from the boat during the series.

17 Data Protection

Competitors, owners, and their guests shall grant the absolute right and permission to the organizing authority and the ORC for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

18 Risk statement

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 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.**

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see RRS 3 - Decision to Race. The organizing authority, Circolo Nautico P. Santa Margherita, UVAI, FIV, ORC, the PRO, the race committee, the international jury, the technical committee, the volunteers, and any other party involved in the organization of the event will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.

19 Environmental responsibilities

[DP] Recalling the Basic Principle that quotes: “Participants are encouraged to minimize any negative environmental impact of the sport of sailing”. The maximum care is recommended for the protection of the environment at all the times that accompany the practice of the sport of sailing before, during and after the event. Attention is drawn to RRS 47: “*Competitors and support persons should not deliberately throw waste into the water. This rule always applies when in the water. The penalty for an infringement of this rule may be lower than the disqualification*”.

20 Competitors Drones

- 20.1 [DP] Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the shore facilities or over the race area during training or racing days without complying with local legislation and without prior written approval by the organizing authority.
- 20.2 The approval granted at the sole discretion of the organizing authority may impose limitations on where and when drones may fly.
- 20.3 At any time the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone and images made inside the race area shall be shared with the organizing authority, race committee or jury at reasonable request.

21 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of € **1.500.000,00** per incident or the equivalent.

22 Prizes

- 22.1 The ORC Double Handed European Champion 2024 title will be awarded to the best boat in each class.
- 22.2 Prizes will be awarded to top three boats in each class and top three boats in Corinthian Division of each class.
- 22.3 Additional prizes may be awarded to top three female or mixed crews.
- 22.4 In case of number of boats in any class or division is less than 5, number of prizes may be reduced to one or two.

23 Further information

For further information, please contact info@cnsn.org.