



INTERNATIONAL
SAILING REGATTA
LEPANTO 1571



Nautical Club of Messolonghi (www.nommes.gr)
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Messolonghi, GREECE

Notice of Race

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. Guidelines for discretionary penalties are available on the World Sailing website.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race:

OA: Organizing Authority	RC: Race Committee
TC: Technical Committee	PC: Protest Committee
NoR: Notice of Race	SI: Sailing Instructions
RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing	ONB: Official Notice Board

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The 1st International Sailing Regatta “**LEPANTO 1571**” is organised by the Nautical Club of Messolonghi in conjunction with the Hellenic Sailing Federation.

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2** The event is also governed by the latest version of the following:
 - (a) World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS).
 - (b) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 4.
 - (c) IMS Rule and ORC Rating Systems.
 - (d) Any National Authority Prescriptions that will apply will be published on the ONB.
- 1.3** The navigational rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) replace RRS Part 2,
 - (a) between sunset and sunrise for boats in the Competition category, and
 - (b) at all times for boats in the Cruising category.
- 1.4** RRS 52, 66 and 77 are deleted.
- 1.5** If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available on the ONB, latest by October 4th, 2024.
- 2.2 In case of conflict between the NoR and the SI, the latter takes precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board is located online at <https://www.lepanto-regatta.org/notice-board/>.
- 3.2 [DP][NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 72.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, 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 The event is open to all boats with a valid ORC certificate and any other seaworthy boats that do not have a rating certificate.
- 4.2 (a) Boats with an ORC certificate will race in the Competition category.
- (b) Boats without a rating certificate will race in the Cruising category.
- 4.3 The Competition category will be divided into the following classes:

ORC A	Boats with CDL > 7
ORC B	Boats with CDL ≤ 7

- 4.4 All boats in the Cruising category will race in a single class.
- 4.5 The formation of any class is at the discretion of the OA and subject to a minimum of five (5) entries. The OA reserves the right to merge any of the classes. This shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 4.6 Eligible boats may enter the event by filling the online entry form found at <https://www.lepanto-regatta.org/>, no later than **August 31st, 2024, 24:00 UTC**.
- Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.7 To be considered as an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all required fees.

5 FEES

5.1 The entry fee is **250€ per boat in the Cruising category** and **100€ in the Competition category**.

5.2 The entry fee includes:

- (a) beverages and buffet dinner on Friday 04/10/2024,
- (b) chartered buses,
- (c) awards, prizes and certificates,
- (d) support boats,
- (e) buffet dinner and entertainment on Sunday 06/10/2024.

5.3 The entry fee shall be paid in full, by cash or card, at the time of registration (NoR 6). After registration is completed, the entry fee will not be refunded.

6 REGISTRATION

6.1 Each Person in Charge of a boat shall personally register the boat at the Race Office, no later than **Saturday, October 05th, 10:00 local time**.

6.2 All the following documents shall be delivered during registration:

- (a) For boats entering the Competition category, a valid ORC certificate or as otherwise required by RRS 78.2.
- (b) Valid third-party insurance, as per NoR 23.
- (c) A crew list, with full name and nationality of each crew member.
- (d) For greek crew members in the Competition category, the crew list will include their HSF id number.
- (e) A mobile phone number that can be used to contact the crew afloat and ashore.

7 CREW LIMITATIONS [DP][NP]

7.1 Any crew member still under the age of 18 years by the day before the start of the race shall provide the written consent of that crewmember's parent or legal guardian, whose consent shall be attached to the crew list submitted on registration before the race.

7.2 Each boat shall have a minimum of 2 crewmembers, one of them at least 18 years of age before the start of the race.

8 ADVERTISING [DP][NP]

8.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Advertising Code, and where applicable with the National Authority Prescriptions.

8.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA (i.e. bow numbers, sponsor flags etc.)

9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Saturday, August 31, 2024

24:00 UTC **Entry submission deadline**

Friday, October 04, 2024

16:00 – 19:00 **Registration**

Friday, October 04, 2024

19:00 **Welcoming ceremony**

Saturday, October 05, 2024

09:00 - 10:00 **Registration**

Saturday, October 05, 2024

10:00 **Skippers meeting & media briefing**

Saturday, October 05, 2024

12:00 **Start of Race 1 (Tourelida – Oxia)**

Sunday, October 06, 2024

10:00 – 12:00 **Memorial service**

Sunday, October 06, 2024

12:30 **Start of Race 2 (Oxia – Tourelida)**

Sunday, October 06, 2024

19:30 **Awards ceremony**

10 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

10.1 Each boat in the Competition category shall produce or verify the existence of a valid ORC rating certificate.

10.2 Boats may be inspected at any time.

11 POSITION TRACKING SYSTEM – CAMERAS [DP][NP]

11.1 The crews shall allow the installation of tracking units and/or on-board video cameras on their boats if they are required by the OA to do so. The tracking units and/or cameras will be supplied by the OA.

11.2 The OA may use the information received from the tracking system for media coverage of the race as well as for technical and safety purposes.

12 VENUE

12.1 The event will be sailed in the Gulf of Patras. The starting port is Messolonghi marina.

13 COURSES

13.1 **Race 1:** **Tourelida – Oxia (15 nm)**

Race 2: **Oxia – Tourelida (15 nm)**

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15 SCORING

- 15.1** (a) One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
(b) A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
(c) Categories and Classes will be scored separately.
- 15.2** Race results for the Competition classes will be determined by corrected times calculated using the ORC "Time on Time – All purpose system".
- 15.3** Race results for the Cruising class will be determined by corrected times calculated as follows:

$$\text{Corrected Time (CT)} = \text{Elapsed Time (ET)} * \text{Size Factor (SF)}$$

The Size Factor for each boat is the ratio between her hull overall length and the respective length of the longest boat that started, sailed the course and finished the race.

$$\text{SF}_{\text{boat}} = \text{LOA}_{\text{boat}} / \text{LOA}_{\text{max}},$$

- 15.4** If less than three (3) boats start in a class race, that race will be abandoned.

16 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS [DP][NP]

- 16.1** Only OA provided support person vessels will be allowed in the event.

17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS [DP][NP]

- 17.1** A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

18 BERTHING

- 18.1** Berthing is free of charge at the Messolonghi marina for all registered boats.

19 HAUL-OUT AND CLEANING RESTRICTIONS [DP]

- 19.1** Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the RC.
- 19.2** Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the event.

20 NOT IN USE

21 MEDIA RIGHTS

- 21.1 By participating in this event, competitors grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio, and video recordings, and other production of them and/or their boat made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.

22 RISK STATEMENT & DISCLAIMER

- 22.1 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.**

- 22.2 By making an application for entry in the race, the Entrant of a boat acknowledges that the various terms of this Notice of Race including any amendments thereto, as well as all other rules and regulations referred to in this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions shall be complied with. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 3, and to World Sailing Offshore Special Regulation 1.02.1 which states «The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge».

All participants also agree to undertake in full all responsibility for possible damage to third parties of their belongings, themselves or their belongings at shore or at sea in consequence to their participation in the race, excluding from any liability the OA, the Race Committee, the Technical Committee, the Protest Committee, the sponsors and any member involved with the race under any capacity and agree in full to be held liable for the conduct and attire of their crew, their representatives and their guests.

The Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Technical Committee, the Protest Committee, the sponsors and any other person involved in the organization of the event, cannot be held liable for any physical or material damage, injury or death or any other unforeseen circumstance, before, during or after the race.

The safety and management of the boat, including Third Party Liability insurance, is the sole responsibility of the Owner/charterer/skipper who must make certain that the boat is absolutely seaworthy and is sailed, by experienced and adequate, in numbers, crew in good physical condition, able to confront extreme weather conditions.

The Owner/charterer/skipper must reassure the good condition of the hull, the rigging and all boat's equipment, and that all safety equipment is adequately maintained, and the crew knows where it is kept and how to use it.

23 INSURANCE

- 23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate cover considering the value of the boats racing and the measure of damages likely to arise in the event of an accident.

24 AWARDS

24.1 Awards will be given to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd placed boats in the series for each class.

24.2 Honorary participation certificates will be given to all crew members.

25 FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1 For further information see details at <https://www.lepanto-regatta.org/contact-us/>.



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