

XXXI REGATA DOS PORTOS DOS DESCOBRIMENTOS LAGOS - PALOS DE LA FRONTERA

NOTICE OF RACE

(English version)

1-INVITATION

Clube de Vela de Lagos, Escuela de Vela de Palos – CEPESA, Câmara Municipal de Lagos and Ayuntamiento de Palos de La Frontera, invite all sailors to participate in the XXXI Regata dos Portos dos Descobrimentos, which will take place from the 8th to the 10th, of July 2022, between Lagos (Portugal) and Palos de La Frontera (Puerto desportivo de Mazagón – Spain).

2-RULES

2.1 XXXI Regata dos Portos dos Descobrimentos will be governed by the following:

- Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) from ISAF 2021/2024
- The Prescriptions of FPV (Portuguese Sailing Federation) and RFEV (Royal Spanish Sailing Federation);
- International regulations for preventing collisions at sea
- The Class Rules for the participant Classes, except when changed by the Sailing Instructions (SI);
- Regulamento do Campeonato do Algarve de Cruzeiros 2021/22;
- The Notice of Race;
- The Sailing Instructions;
- ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2022/23 – Category 3.
- This Document is a translation of the Portuguese version of the Notice of Race. In case of conflict between the English and the Portuguese versions, the Portuguese will take precedence.

2.2 ADVERTISING

All boats and crew shall comply with Regulation 20 of ISAF Advertising Code. All boats may be requested to display advertisement provided by the Organization.

All boats with advertising shall present their respective license issued by the correspondent Federation at registration.

3- CLASSES AND HANDICAP SYSTEMS

3.1 The Race is open to sailing cruiser boats with a minimum LOA of 6 meters in the following classes:

- 1 – ORC (boats with an ORC Rating Certificate)
- 2 – NHC (boats without an ORC Rating Certificate, it will be given an NHC handicap from NHC Base List that can not be protested)

3.2 The ORC Fleet will be divided according with the Class Rules, with the following amendments:

GROUP GPH

Group 1: GPH Lower than 625

Group 2: GPH Between 625 and 670

Group 3: GPH Higher than 670

Group 4: Sport Boat (Platu 25; Melges 24; Cork 1720; brenta 24; etc.)

Group 5: NO SPINNAKER

The Groups will be separated with a minimum number of 5 boats in each Group. Groups that don't have the minimum number of boats will be included in the first Group above, until one Group has the minimum number.



A boat intending to use the ORC handicap with any change (eg: without Spinnaker) must have a certificate issued with this change.

The organization will not accept requests for the use of "Special Scoring" of ORC certificates.

3.3. A Class shall be created for Hanse Yachts. This Class will be divided into Groups of at least 3 boats, according to the Hanse Handicap. Groups that don't have the minimum number of boats will be included in the first Group above, until one Group has the minimum number.

The boats in Hanse Class shall compete in the XXXI Regata dos Portos dos Descobrimentos, included in one of the classes referred in 3.1, and following the same Rules and Regulations.

4- INSCRIPTIONS

4.1 Inscriptions must be presented using the form attached to this Notice of Race and delivered to the Organizing Clubs until 18:00 of July the 1st 2022. To the entries made after this date, the Organization will reserve the right to charge 60€. Free moorings will only be guaranteed to the boats that made their entry within the limit date.

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4.2 A copy of the Measurement Certificate valid for 2022 must be attached to the inscription form of boats competing in the ORC class or the entrance will not be accepted.

4.3 The Organization reserves the right to move boats that don't comply with the previous point to the Open Class.

4.4 ENTRY FEE

The entry fee is 30€ per crew member, which will cover all the social acts and Regatta offers.



5-PROGRAMME

5.1 The Racing Programme will be as follows:

8/07: 11H00 – Opening of the Race Office for Registrations.

8/07: 17H00 – Prologue Race Warning Signal. The motors of the ORC Fleet will be sealed by the Organization after the boat's arrival at the Marina de Lagos.

8/07: 20H00 – Skipper's Meeting.

9/07: 11H00 – Warning Signal for the XXXI Regata dos Portos dos Descobrimentos, ORC Fleet – Coastal Race Lagos – Palos de La Frontera.

9/07: 11H15 – Warning Signal for the XXXI Regata dos Portos dos Descobrimentos, NHC Fleet – Coastal Race Lagos – Palos de La Frontera.

(The Race Committee may consider joining both fleets in the same start, changing the Warning Signal of the Open Fleet to 11H00)

5.2 The Social Programme will be as follow:

8/07: 21H00 – Crews Presentation Dinner will be announced ASAP.

10/07: 21H00 – Dinner Party and Prize Giving Ceremony at the Palos de La Frontera Sailing School in Mazagón Marina.

6- REGISTRATION

Skippers must register their entry in the Race Office located at the Marina de Lagos from 11:00 until 16:00 of July the 8th 2022, presenting copies of Licença Desportiva (or similar document issued by their country's federation), publicity license, Rating Certificate and a valid insurance policy, or the Organization may decline the registration.

Note: Publicity License is only applicable to boats carrying publicity on hull or sails.

Boats registered in the NHC Class don't need to have a Rating Certificate.

7- SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions and other relevant information will be available to the participants at Registration. A list of competitors with their respective ratings may also be available.

8- SCORING AND CLASSIFICATION

8.1 In ORC Class, the boats will be qualified by the following formula:

*Prologue Regatta: Corrected Time = ToT (Low, Medium or High) * Elapsed Time*

*Coastal Regatta: Corrected Time = Elapsed Time – (ToD * Distance)*

The Race Committee may change the formula for the coastal race, using *ToD* or *PL* to calculate corrected times. Such change will be notified prior to the coastal race warning signal.

8.2 In NHC Class, boats will be classified in both, Prologue Race and the Coastal Race by the following formula:

*Corrected Time = NHC Handicap * Elapsed Time*

8.3 Beside points 8.1 and 8.2, there will be created a classification, in Corrected Time, for the Hanse Class, according to the specific Hanse Handicap.

8.4 A boat that doesn't participate in the Prologue Race will have a penalty of 15% on their Corrected Time of the Coastal Race.

A boat that scored DSQ, RAF or RET on the Prologue Race will have a 15% penalty on the Corrected Time of the Coastal Race.

8.5 The Race Record is established by the smallest Real Time in the Coastal Race.
(Actual Record: 11:51'26" Duende 52, JV 52 – José Hidalgo)

9- PRIZES AND TROPHIES

9.1 Prologue Race

ORC Class - 1st Overall Classification – 1 Trophy

NHC Class - 1st Overall – 1 Trophy

9.2 XXXI Regata dos Portos dos Descobrimentos (Prologue + Coastal)

In the ORC Class, the following Prizes and Trophies will be awarded:

1st Overall Classification – 500€ + Trophy

2nd Overall Classification – 200€ + Trophy

3rd Overall Classification – 100€ + Trophy

4th Overall Classification – 100€ + Trophy

5th Overall Classification – 100€ + Trophy

1st Group Classification – 200€ + 1 Trophy

2nd Group Classification – 100€ + 1 Trophy

3rd Group Classification – 100€ + 1 Trophy

The Prizes of the Overall and Group Classifications will be accumulated.

In the NHC Class, the following Trophies will be awarded:

1st Overall – 1 Trophy

2nd Overall – 1 Trophy

3rd Overall – 1 Trophy

In the Hanse Class, the first of each Group will receive the Hanse Trophy.

9.3 Any penalties must be applied before the Prize Giving.

10 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

10.1 Jury

The Jury will consist of a Portuguese National Jury, recognized by the Portuguese Sailing Federation, and a Spanish National Jury, recognized by the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation.

10.2 MOB, Charge Batteries, pump, etc.

The boat's auxiliary engine may be used to rescue a man overboard, give assistance, or in a severe case of emergency. These procedures shall be recorded in the boat's Log Book and in the Finish Declaration, under the penalty of Disqualification (DSQ).

The motor may be used to charge batteries or pump water, but always in the neutral position.

10.3 Inspections

10.3.1 Any boat may be inspected at any time, before or after the Race. A member of the crew will be present.

10.3.2 If a boat does not respect the rules and regulations, including the rules mentioned in the Measurement Certificate, the boat may be disqualified or penalized, as decided by the Race Committee.

10.4 Numbers and Letters

All boats must apply the identification provided by the Organization and will have unequivocal identification of the boat in the hull or sails.

10.5 Electronic aids and radio communications

10.5.1 There will be no restrictions to the electronic aids used by a boat, as it's in conformity with the rules and regulations applicable. All navigational methods are allowed if public information is used.

10.5.2 All boats must have a fully operational VHF radio system on board.

10.6 Moorings

10.6.1 Lagos Marina will offer the moorings on the night of the 7th and the 8th of July and a 20% discount on the daily tariff between the 2nd and 6th of July 2022.

Boats participating in the regatta of the Portos dos Descobrimentos and the regatta Volta ao Algarve have free moorings from 2nd to 8th July 2022.

10.6.2 The organization will offer the moorings between July the 9th and the 10th 2022 on the Mazagón Marina.

Mazagón Marina will offer a 50% discount on the daily tariff after the 11th of July 2022.