



# NOTICE OF RACE

13<sup>TH</sup> NOA REGATTA 21st –24<sup>th</sup> June 2023

## ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND VENUE

The "13<sup>th</sup> NOA REGATTA 2023" is organised by the Nautathletic Club of Alexandroupolis in conjunction with the Municipality of Alexandroupolis and the Region of East Macedonia & Thrace under the authority of the Hellenic Sailing Federation.

The Regatta will be held on Thracian Sea in front of the port of Alexandroupolis.

The Official Notice Board is available at

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### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024*.
- 1.2 Class Rules Optimist, ILCA, HANSA 303 and 2.4mR shall apply
- 1.3 Rule 61.1 'Informing the Protestee' is changed as follows:  
Add to rule 61.1(a) 'Immediately after finishing she shall inform the race committee (RC) at the finishing line of the boat/s she is protesting. The protesting boat shall be sailing along the RC finishing boat starboard side, until the RC confirms the acceptance of the protest.'
- 1.4 Sails shall have the full sail number and **NATIONAL LETTERS** in accordance with the Class Rules and the RRS. The national letters shall denote the National Authority of which the sailor is a member in accordance with RRS 75 and with 4.1 Entry Regulations below. This changes RRS Appendix G 1.1.
- 1.5 Rule 7 (a) of the ILCA class rules is restricted as follows: "Only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the entry form."
- 1.6 Appendix P "Special Procedures for Rule 42" will apply with changes to include; allowing a jury-initiated redress, a points penalty for a first penalty given after finishing and to prohibit a boat that has been disqualified for a rule 42 infringement or has retired in recognition of a rule 42 infringement from sailing in the race if that race is restarted or re-sailed.
- 1.7 Appendix T "Arbitration" will apply.
- 1.8 In all rules governing this regatta;
  - a. (DP) denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury; and
  - b. (NP) denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).



- 1.9 In case of conflict between NoR and SI, the Sailing Instructions and following Notices will prevail (this changes RRS 63.7)
- 1.10 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 The event is “free advertising” as per RRS 6 and the World Sailing Advertising Code.
- 2.2 [DP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. See World Sailing Advertising Code 20.
- 2.3 [DP] The organising authority may provide bibs that competitors shall wear while racing as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to the following boat classes:  
Optimist, ILCA 4, 6, 7 and HANSA 303.
- 3.2 Competitors are divided and scored in the following categories:
- **HANSA 303:** Overall
  - **2.4 mR:** Overall
  - **ILCA 7:** Overall, under 21 (born 2003-2006), Boys Under 19 (born 2005-2006),
  - **ILCA 6 Men:** Overall, Boys Under 19 (born 2005-2008), Boys Under 17 (born 2007-2008),
  - **ILCA 6 Women:** Overall, Women Under 21 (born 2003-2006), Women Under 19 (born 2005-2008), Girls Under 17 (born 2007-2008)
  - **ILCA 4 Boys:** Overall, Boys Under 16 (born 2007 – 2010),
  - **ILCA 4 Ladies:** Overall, Girls Under 16 (born 2007 – 2010),
  - **Optimist Rig Boys:** Overall (born 2008 and younger), Boys Under 13 (born 2011 – 2016),
  - **Optimist Rig Girls:** Overall (born 2008 and younger), Girls Under 13 (born 2011 – 2016).
- 3.3 Proof of age can be required at registration.
- 3.4 **The ILCA 4** eligibility is restricted to sailors who are born in 2011 or earlier having his/her 12th birthday before the first day of the race.
- 3.5 The age categories are better shown in the following table.

2023	Age	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	+
Class/Rig	Sex/Birth Year	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	
Optimist	Boys	Under 13						Overall			NO						
	Girls	Under 13						Overall			NO						
Ilca 4	Boys	NO				Under 16			Overall			NO					
	Girls	NO				Under 16			Overall			NO					
Ilca 6	Boys	NO								Under 17		Under 19		Overall			
	Girls/Women	NO								Under 17		Under 19		Under 21		Overall	
Ilca 7	Men	NO										Under 19		Under 21		Overall	

## 4. ENTRY PROCEDURES & REGISTRATION (NP, DP)

- 4.1 Entries for competitors and coaches are encouraged to be done online via the regatta website or alternative by completing and sending into the Organising Committee the official entry form. Each sailor will have to pay an entry fee for the event; coaches will



not have an entry fee. The limit date for registration will be on 21st June 2023 at 8 p.m. A non-paid entry will be considered not registered.

Entry fee will be 30 Euro per competitor.

Fees are stated in euros, shall be free of bank commissions and must be paid until 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023, by a bank transfer to the following bank account:

Nautathletic Club of Alexandroupolis

Piraeus Bank IBAN GR51 01723500 0053 5000 4336 177

Or by cash at the registration office.

4.2 Each competitor or his/her coach or designated adult and coaches shall register and sign the registration form at the registration office (which will be announced further on) before 8 p.m. on 21st June 2023.

4.3 Registration is subject to the presentation before that time of the following documents:

- Parental Authorization (Entry Form N°1)
- A valid third-party liability boat insurance, with a minimum cover of 1.500.000€

4.4 Coaches and team support personnel shall provide the following documentation prior to completing registration formalities on site:

- Original Coach Entry Form (Coach Form N°2)
- Boat Driving License (if applicable)
- A valid third-party liability rib boat insurance, with a minimum cover of 1.500.000€

4.5 Nationality is assigned according to the World Sailing Sailor ID linked to the competitor. A competitor can only ask to change Nationality at the beginning of each year.

## 5. SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 21	09:00 – 20:00	Registration
	20:00	Opening Ceremony
Thursday, June 22	12:00	First warning signal for Optimist & ILCA classes
Friday, June 23	10:00	First warning signal for Hansa 303, 2.4mR
	TBA	Races for Optimist & ILCA classes
Saturday, June 24	TBA	Races for Optimist & ILCA classes, Hansa 303, 2.4mR
	19:00	Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony

Up to 3 races to be sailed each day for Optimist, ILCA 4, 6, 7, Hansa 303 and 2.4mR. The RC may sail up to 4 races during a racing day in case racing is behind schedule or forecast for the next day looks not sailable.

In total 12 races are scheduled for Regatta series for **Optimist class**.

In total 12 races are scheduled for Regatta series for **ILCA class**.

In total 6 races are scheduled for Regatta series for **Hansa 303 & 2.4 mR class**.

5.1 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 17:00.

5.2 The race committee may decide to split some or all the classes into groups where each class has more than 80 entries. This split is mandatory if the entries of a single class



are more than 85. A grouping system will be used, and the colours will be re-assigned every day as specified in the sailing instructions.

- 5.3 If the fleet is split as per 5.2 above, and at least 4 races were sailed, the last day the fleet will be divided in Gold and Silver fleets (and bronze and emerald if in case) and raced in “finals” format.

## 6. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT (NP, DP)

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- 6.1 All competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centreboard, and rudder.  
6.2 For **ILCA 4 & 6 class boats, women** competitors shall place a red diamond on each side of their sail (back-to-back) in compliance with class rule 4(g).

## 7. MEASUREMENTS (NP, DP)

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- 7.1 Boat and equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, wet clothing rules and sailing instructions at the discretion of, race committee (including the class measurer and the class representative) or the international jury.

## 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Sailing instructions will be available upon registration at the venue.

## 9. THE COURSE

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- 9.1 Trapezoid courses will be used for all classes. Details will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

## 10. PENALTY SYSTEM

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- 10.1 RRS Appendix P will apply.  
10.2 RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.  
10.3 An international jury will be constituted, its decisions will be final as provided in rule 70.5  
10.4 To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule. If no boat takes a penalty, the jury may lodge a protest.

## 11. SCORING

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- 11.1 The low point system of RRS Appendix A shall apply.  
11.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series for Optimist and ILCA classes. 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series for Hansa 303  
11.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.  
When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.  
11.4 Where a fleet is split into Gold and Silver groups, the 1st ranked in the silver fleet will be ranked in the subsequent place of the gold fleet; that concept is extended when we have more groups, red, emerald.



- 11.5 Where men and women fleets sail together (in Optimist, ILCA 6 and ILCA 4 Fleets) the men and women will be ranked separately by simply extracting the women's positions from the overall positions and placed as 1st, 2nd, ... etc.

## 12. SAFETY

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Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) properly always secured while on the water except briefly when changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.

## 13. SUPPORT BOATS (DP)

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- 13.1 Support boats shall be registered at the Race Office and shall comply with the rules established by the Organising Committee. Each support boat should be equipped by a quick stop lock.
- 13.2 Each coach is required to carry a working VHF radio, wear a personal flotation device (PFD) properly always secured while on the water and use kill cord when the engine is running.
- 13.3 Each support person must wear a personal flotation device (PFD) properly always secured while on the water
- 13.4 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need. In case of emergency, they will have to collaborate with rescue ribs and help boats in distress
- 13.5 Team and support boats shall always when afloat, be clearly identified by the country name, national letters, or national flag of the team they represent.
- 13.6 Registered Support Persons will be subject to the technical directives of the RC and the Jury

## 14. PRIZES

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- 14.1 For ILCA boats prizes will be awarded to at the first 3 places in each category noted in item 3.2 above.  
When ILCA 6 Under 17 lead the overall rank, they will win also the ILCA 6 Under 19.
- 14.2 For Optimist boats prizes will be awarded to at the first 5 boats of the following categories:  
Optimist Boys and Girls  
Optimist Boys and Girls under 13
- 14.3 For HANSA 303 prizes will be awarded to at the first 3 places overall.
- 14.4 More prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Committee. At least 4 boats are necessary to constitute a class. If 3 or less boats participate a class, then a prize will be given just for the first place.

## 15. DATA PROTECTION

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- 15.1 All personal data will be treated according to European Union and Greek laws. By signing the entry form for participation in the event, each competitor and support person gives his consent his personal data to be collected and processed by the Organising Authority for the purposes of the event and in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing.



## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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- 16.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See rule 3 Decision to Race. The Organising Committee and any other party involved in the organisation of the Regatta will accept no liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss or claim, whether personal or material, incurred by or inflicted to competitors before, during or after the Regatta.
- 16.2 All competitors and support staff will be required to execute liability waiver.
- 16.3 The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat he or she is sailing.
- 16.4 Each competitor is wholly and exclusively responsible to maintain his boat in a safe and seaworthy condition checking it before going afloat.
- 16.5 A competitor must be of good health and a competent sailor capable of sailing in high winds. It is the responsibility of each sailor to decide to participate in a race, to continue racing.
- 16.6 At-fault occurrences to other boats are the responsibility of the helmsman. Competitors are not covered by any liability insurance provided by the organizing authority and should provide their own coverage for personal goods and liability protection. The organizing authority recommends that competitors consult their own insurance carriers to assure they are covered at this event and regarding additional personal liability insurance coverage;
- 16.7 The Organizers, the RC, the Jury, and those who collaborate in the running of the event, decline all responsibility for the damage that people and / or things may suffer, both on land and in water, because of their participation in the regatta referred to in present Notice of Race.

## 17. INSURANCE

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- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance in line with the Hellenic Sailing Federation Regulation with a minimum coverage for the event of € 1.5 million. The insurance policy or valid replacement document must be sent to the Race Office upon registration.
- 17.2 Each competitor is wholly and exclusively responsible for third party liability insurance on the boat that he or she is sailing and for his or her personal accident and health insurance.

## 18. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS, AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

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- 18.1 By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped, or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 18.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.



18.3 Selected competitors may be required to attend a press conference.

## 19. FURTHER INFORMATION

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19.1 For further information and queries, please contact:  
Nautathletic Club of Alexandroupolis,  
Alexandroupolis port, P.O. BOX 40,  
68132 Alexandroupolis, Greece  
T: +30 25510 28299, F: +30 25510 28577, email: [secretary@noalex.gr](mailto:secretary@noalex.gr)

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## 20. CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

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This Notice of Race may be subject to amendments which will be identified in the Notice of Race and noted on the Regatta website and on the Official Notice Board at  
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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

The following information is not part of the rules for the Regatta.

### A. ACCOMMODATION

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*Please refer to the Hotels List (that will be posted to the event site [www.noaregatta.gr](http://www.noaregatta.gr)) for hotels that offer accommodation in privileged rates for the duration of the event.*

### B. MEALS

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*Packed lunches will be delivered at the shore venue each racing day.  
Evening snack will be served at the club each racing day.  
A buffet will be offered at the closing ceremony*

### C. EARLY ARRIVAL

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*Club facilities will be open from Monday 19th June 2023.*

### D. CHARTER BOATS

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*Charter boats will be available from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June till Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> 2023.  
Please send an email at [secretary@noalex.gr](mailto:secretary@noalex.gr) to make reservations.*



*We strongly advise sailors to make early charter reservations before 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023. After the above day, the Organizing Committee cannot guarantee the availability of charter boats.*

**E. SOCIAL EVENTS**

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*To enhance the friendship between the competitors and to make their stay in Alexandroupolis more enjoyable, appropriate social events will be organised.*

**F. SPECIAL GIFTS**

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*Sailors and coaches will get a Regatta T-shirt.  
Thanks to our sponsors a gift lottery will take place during the closing ceremony.*