

Open Romanian National Championship – MatchRace 2018

May 03-04 MatchRace clinic
May 05-06 MatchRace Grade 3

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be Nautic Line International SRL and CS Sailing Academy.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Limanu, Romania

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for a World Sailing Grade WC3 as National ROU Championship.

This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 Schedule

- (a) Race office open from Friday, May 4, 2018, 16:30
- (b) Registration from Friday, May 4, 2018, 16:30 until Friday, May 4, 2018, 19:30
- (c) Crew weighing from Friday, May 4, 2018, 16:30 until Friday, May 4, 2018, 19:30
- (d) Practice from Thursday, May 3, 2018, from 10:00 to 19:00 until Friday, May 4, 2018, from 09:00 to 16:00 (booking is mandatory)
- (e) First briefing at (May 5, 9 a.m.).
- (f) First meeting with umpires follows the first briefing.
- (g) Racing days from May 5 to May 6.
- (h) Time of the first race each day will be (10 a.m.).
- (i) The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be approximately* (2 p.m.).
- (j) Prize giving on date at (May 6, 4 p.m.).
- (k) Special dinner for the teams in the evening of May 5th.

4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Regatta dinner, for skippers and crews.
- (c) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Up to ten skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- 5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing, to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.5 Foreign skipper are free to register but cannot be entitled to compete for Romanian National Champion title. They will be registered on the open class
- 5.6 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.
- 5.7 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES

6.1 Entering

- (a) The skipper/team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by cash in local currency.

6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of 688 EUR/crew which includes National Championship fees, shall be paid by **May 3th 2018** before 20:00 hours using one of the payment links provided by OA to the invited skippers.

The fee includes a special dinner for the teams in the evening of May 5th

The teams are given a discount of 200 € each by **March 31th**.

6.3 Withdrawal

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit commitment of 500 € shall be signed at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.

- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 1 days after the event.

6.4 Insurance

All competitors are required to have adequate third party insurance.

7 RULES

- 7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.
- (b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- (c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.

7.2 Major Alterations to the RRS

- (a) Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
 - (b) RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the sailing instructions.
- 7.3 The OA may place an observer on each boat to provide information to the umpires.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Beneteau First 21,7S type boats.
- 8.2 4 boats will be provided.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The total number of crew, including the skipper, shall be 4 excluding persons placed on board by the RC. All registered crew shall sail all races.

9.2 Crew Weighing

- (a) The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- (b) The total weight of the women crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 340 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC. The women crew shall be 5 persons, including the skipper.

- 9.3 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any re-weighing the total weight limit is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalized, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.
- 9.4 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.5 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin or divided into two groups based on results in World Sailing ranking list 4 months prior to the event. Skippers not ranked will be distribute on random base
- 10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:
- Stage 1 - a full round robin or a round robin in groups.
 - Stage 2 - Semi Finals
 - Stage 3 - Finals
- 10.3 The RC may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

11 COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.
- 11.2 The intended course area will be in front of Lifeharbour Marina and will be shown in Sailing Instructions.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, World Sailing regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.3 Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- 12.4 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 The principal prize for first place will be: two night stay at Pike Inn resort in Dunavatul de Sus for the crew (Monday to Thursday, during the year 2018)
- 13.2 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14 DISCLAIMER

- 14.1 All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.
- 14.2 There will be two rankings: one for Romanian National Championship and one for Open class.
- 14.3 Foreign skippers cannot become Romanian champions. Only Romanian skippers are able to become Romanian National Match Race champions.

15 INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the attached form.