





# Regatta Rotary Mangalia

4th edition, 29th - 31st of July, 2016

## **Mangalia Marina**

**Organizing Authority:** 

Rotary Club Mangalia, Yacht Club Sportiv Seanergya and Club Sportiv Balkan,

under the authority of the Romanian Yachting Federation, with the support from Primaria Mangalia

# **Sailing Instructions**

In all sections the following abbreviations apply:

RC Race Committee

PC Protest Committee

RRS ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016

[NP] – Rules that are not grounds for protest by a boat.

[DP] – Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the PC.

## **PART 1 - GENERAL**

#### 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Rotary Club Mangalia, Yacht Club Sportiv Seanergya and Club Sportiv Balkan is inviting you all to take part in the REGATTA Rotary Mangalia to be held in Mangalia /Romania between 29th – 31st of July, 2016.

#### 2. RULES

- 2.1. Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS.
- 2.2. The following rules will also apply:
  - a) ISAF equipment rules of sailing.
  - b) ORC Rating System Rule.
  - c) ISAF offshore special regulation for category 5 races.
  - d) The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) will replace the rules of Part 2 of RRS from the actual sunset to the actual sunrise.
- 2.3. No national authority prescription will apply.
- 2.4. Automatic, mechanical and wind vane devices for steering shall be prohibited.
- 2.5. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 2.6. In case of a triple-number scoring method, before the warning signal of each race the RC will be display one of the following flags and/or may display on a board {L, M, H} to indicate the provisional scoring method:

Wind	Flag	Notice on board
Light	Numeral one	L
Medium	Numeral two	M
High	Numeral three	Н

If there is a substantial change in wind speed during the race, the RC may decide to use a different time correction. This will be indicated by displaying the appropriate board on the finishing vessel. Any decision by the race committee in connection with the application of the Triple Number System will be no ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

2.7. If Flag F is displayed (no sounds) at any mark, that mark shall be left on the required side and boats shall then proceed directly to the FINISH, leaving out any further marks of the course.

#### 3. CLASSES [NP]

The division of the boats will be ORC-A, ORC-B, Open class

## 4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Marina Mangalia.

## 5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at Marina Mangalia at the official flag pole.
- 6.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 min.' in the race signal AP.
- 6.3. When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

#### 7. SCHEDULE

7.1. Times of the first warning signals are defined as follows:

30.07.2016 11.25 Offshore race. First possible warning signal.

31.07.2016 10.55 Inshore races (possible 3 races). First possible warning signal.

The Organizing Authority and/or the RC reserve the right to modify the above program according to weather conditions and/or other unforeseen reasons.

- 7.2. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to instruction 5.
- 7.3. Four (4) races are scheduled including one (1) offshore race and three (3) inshore races. Inshore race will have scoring coefficient of 1.00 and offshore race will have scoring coefficient of 1.20

#### 8. CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1. The class flag for ORC-A shall be the international cod flag "W" ...
- 8.2. The class flag for ORC-B and Open Class shall be the international cod flag "T" ...

#### 9. THE START

- 9.1. Races will be started by using RSS 26.
- 9.2. When a starting sequence is in progress, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 50 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions. [DP]
- 9.3. The intension of the RC will be to start in the following class order: ORC-A, ORC-B and Open Class.
- 9.4. The start of 2 (two) classes can be combined. In case of combining classes, the class flags will be hoisted together.
- 9.5. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 9.6. Individual recall will signaled as soon as possible after the start signal. After signaling an individual recall, the RC will attempt to broadcast the sail number or bow number or name of boat that is identified as OCS on VHF after the starting signal. A failure or delay or the order of the broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. The penalty for breaking a rule of RSS Part 2 will be One-Turn penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 10.2. Boats scored OCS in offshore race shall be scored with the 20% scoring penalty as defined in RRS 44.3.
- 10.3. For minor breaches of the Offshore Special Regulations and Sailing Instructions, 14, 17, 18 or 19.2, the PC may impose any penalty different from Disqualification, or not impose a penalty, at its discretion.
- 10.4. In case of a protest for an infringement of Rule 55 in the RRS the PC may impose any penalty, at its discretion.

## 11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. In addition to complying with RRS 61, a protesting boat shall inform immediately after finishing or retiring, by VHF, the RC of her intention to protest and the identity of the protested boat(s) and receive confirmation from the RC. This changes rule 61.1(a).
- 11.2. The protest time limit for all classes shall be 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. This time limit applies also for request for redress. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 11.3. Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, beginning at the time posted.

11.4. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing or request for redress for a PC decision shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

#### 12. SCORING

- 12.1. Inshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by Triple-Number method for ORC classes.
- 12.2. Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by Time-On-Time (offshore) method for ORC classes.
- 12.3. No corrected time will be used for Open Class.
- 12.4. Length of course, directions of leg and wind will be decided by RC and will not be grounds for seeking redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 12.5. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 12.6. The regatta is valid if one race is completed.
- 12.7. When 3 races or fewer than 3 races have been completed score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.8. When 4 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score, but not the offshore race score.
- 12.9. There will be separate classifications for each class.

## 13. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP] [NP]

- 13.1. VHF radios are mandatory for all races. A marine VHF transceiver shall be carried, function properly and be readily accessible all times.
- 13.2. Boats retiring for any reason in a race shall promptly report to the RC. If a boat fails to do that, she will be subject of a penalty imposed after a hearing by the PC. The penalty shall be a disqualification not excludable (DNE). This changes RSS 64.1.
- 13.3. Any use of the engine for propulsion purposes for rescuing people, giving help or any other reason shall be reported after arrival in written form to the RC stating reasons for such procedure. If a boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race, the PC may impose a penalty different from disqualification, or not impose a penalty, at its discretion.

## 14. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 14.1. The RC may approve crew changes (adding new crew members, replacing or disembarking crew members) by written skipper's request made no later than 1 hour before the scheduled time of the start of the first race of the day. The substituted crew member shall not be aboard on any other competing boat throughout the remainder of the series.
- 14.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be not allowed unless approved by the PC. Requests for substitution shall be made to the PC at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 15. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

At any time throughout the series even whilst yachts are racing, sails and yachts shall be subject to scrutiny and to checks for compliance with the rules at the discretion of the Race Committee.

### **16. OFFICIAL BOATS**

- 16.1. RC boats will display a white flag with the text RC . Failure of any official boat to display her flag will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 16.2. Vessels used by press, photographers, film crews, VIPs etc. are not under the jurisdiction of the RC. Any action by these boats shall not be ground for seeking redress by boats. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

## 17. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

All support boats shall keep well clear of the starting area and, after the preparatory signal, are not to approach within 100 meters of any competing boat. A breach of this SI may results with a scoring penalty, after a hearing against the boat connected and/or withdrawal of permission to be in the racing area for one or more days.

## 18. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

From 09:00 on 29.07.2016 boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the RC. 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.

#### 19. COMMUNICATIONS [DP]

- 19.1. Radio communication with RC during the regatta will be on VHF channel 10. The RC may give verbal confirmation of any race signal over VHF. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 19.2. Except when communicating with the RC, a boat while racing, shall not transmit or receive communication of any information not publicly available to all boats participating. This changes RRS 41.

## 20. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP]

Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water (RRS 55). Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. The penalty for this is at the discretion of the PC.

## 21. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

REGATTA Rotary Mangalia participants will be awarded trophies and diplomas for the first, second and third place in each class.

#### 22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in Regatta Rotary Mangalia entirely at their own risk. The Organizing Authority and any part involved in the organization disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage in PC or inconvenience that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing entry form. The attention of competitors is drawn to ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing.

## 23. INSURANCE [DP]

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of 100.000 LEI per event. Regardless, it is the responsibility of the owners to hold adequate insurance cover for Third Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

## **PART 2 – INSHORE COURSE**

## 24. THE COURSE

- 24.1. Appendix 1 shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be passed.
- 24.2. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat may display, on a board the approximate compass bearing of the first leg. Failure by the RC to display the compass bearing shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1b.

#### 25. MARKS

- 25.1. Marks will be inflatable yellow and red buoys.
- 25.2. New mark as provided in instruction 25.1 will be yellow inflatable buoys.
- 25.3. A RC boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in in SI 26.2
- 25.4. If one of the gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be left to port.

## 26. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

26.1. To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. A new windward mark will be placed without the offset mark 1a.

26.2. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the RC boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the RC boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1

#### 27. STARTING LINE

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard end and the port end starting mark. The RC boat may hold position by using engine.

#### 28. FINISHING LINE

Finishing line will be between a pole displaying an orange flag on the RC finishing boat at the starboard end and a finishing mark at the port end. The RC boat may hold position by using engine.

## 29. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

The target time is 60 minutes and the time limit is 120 minutes after their starting signal.

## Part 3 - OFFSHORE COURSE

#### 30. THE COURSE

Appendix 2 describes the offshore course to be sailed, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be passed.

#### 31. MARKS

Marks will be inflatable yellow buoys.

## 32. WINDWARD MARK

- 32.1. RC may set a windward mark to obtain a start to windward, if necessary. If the windward mark is set, it will be approximately 0.7 NM from the starting area and the RC will, before the warning signal, display a red flag which indicates the mark shall be left to port, or a Green flag indicating the mark shall be left to starboard.
- 32.2. If no red or green flag is displayed, there is no "windward mark" and the start will go directly to the first mark as defined in the course diagram.

## 33. STARTING LINE

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel at the starboard end and the port end starting mark. The RC boat may hold position by using engine.

## 34. FINISHING LINE

Finishing line will be between a pole displaying an orange flag on the RC finishing boat at the port end and a finishing mark at the starboard end. The RC boat may hold position by using engine.

#### 35. TIME LIMIT

For the offshore race the time limit for all boats will be 7 hours after their starting signal.

## **36. FINISHING BY NIGHT**

Boats that finish by night shall illuminate their numbers when finishing, and in case of doubt shall try to identify themselves to the RC after finishing.

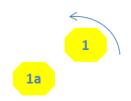
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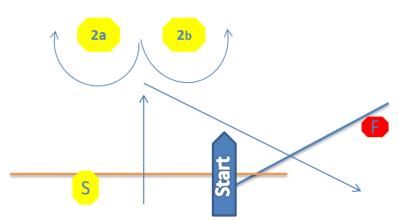
## APPENDIX 1 – THE INSHORE COURSE

The racing area will be in front of Mangalia harbor.

This drawing is a schematic. The distances and mark positions are not to scale.

## **WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE**





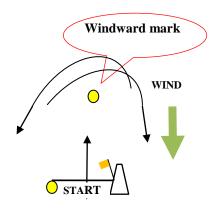
Course Code	Description
R1	Start-1-2b-Finish
R2	Start-1-2a/2b-1-2b-Finish
R3	Start-1-2a/2b-1-2a/2b-1-2b-Finish
RA1	Start-1-1a2b-Finish
RA2	Start-1-1a-2a/2b-1-1a-2b-Finish
RA3	Start-1-1a-2a/2b-1-1a-2a/2b-1-1a-2b-Finish

## APPENDIX 2 - THE OFFSHORE COURSE

The starting/finishing area in Mangalia will be in front of Mangalia harbor.

This drawing is a schematic. The distances and mark positions are not to scale. GPS coordinates are in format degree and decimal minutes. Marks coordinates are approximate. Their physical location may vary depending on wind, and sea state conditions.

MARK	Coordinates
MARK 1	43°48'00.0"N 28°44'00.0"E
MARK 2	43°50'00.0"N 28°44'00.0"E
MARK 3	43°52'00.0"N 28°44'00.0"E
MARK 4	43°56'30.0"N 28°40'30.0"E
START/FINISH	43°48'30.0"N 28°36'30.0"E





Description
START - [WM] - MARK 1(starboard) - FINISH
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