

# Notice of Race

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## 1 Organizing Authority

The ORC Sportboat European Championship 2017 is organized by the **Yachtclub Auda** under the authority of **Latvian Yachting Union** and under the overall authority of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC).

## 2 Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 The following rules will also apply:
  - a) IMS Rule
  - b) ORC Rating Systems Rule
  - c) ORC Sportboat Class Rules
  - d) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B
- 2.3 No national authority prescription will apply.
- 2.4 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
  - a) All sails shall have been measured and stamped by an ORC measurer. During the pre-race equipment inspection, sails will be marked for the event by stamp, sticker and/or inspector's signature.
  - b) The maximum number of sails shall be as defined in ORC Rule 206 with one additional mainsail allowed. The second mainsail shall have a minimum of one set of reef points. The mainsails may be interchangeable.
  - c) With the exception of the second mainsail all sails shall be aboard while racing.
  - d) Sails damaged during the series may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee
- 2.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 3 Advertising

World Sailing Advertising Code will apply. Competitors & Boats advertising will be without restriction. Event Advertising by the Organizing Authority will be:

- bow numbers with advertisement which have to be displayed as forward as possible on both sides of the first 20% of the hull
- advertisement to be displayed on both sides of the foremost 20% of the mainsail boom
- sponsor's flag that has to be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.

The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras, position devices, and guest riders whose on-board position restrictions are defined in the Sailing Instructions.

## 4 Eligibility and Divisions

- 4.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 The regatta is open to all boats complying with ORC Sportboat Class Rules as follows:

Length overall LOA (m)	6.00 – 9.15
Displacement in measurement trim DSPM (kg)	< 2000
Displacement / Length Ratio DSPM / LSM0 <sup>3</sup>	< 6.00

Boats shall have a valid ORC International or ORC Club certificate. For boats with ORC Club certificate, the hull offset file shall have been made as measured according to the IMS Part B and C or verified designer provided files. Rig and sails shall be measured in accordance with the IMS Parts F and G while displacement and stability figures shall be reviewed by the ORC Technical Committee before the start of the championship. The ORC Technical Committee may require correction or update of an ORC Club certificate.

- 4.3 Boats will be divided in 3 Divisions as follows:

	Division A	Division B	Division C
Displacement / Length Ratio DSPM / LSM0 <sup>3</sup>	< 3.70	< 6.00	< 6.00
Spinnaker	Asymmetric on CL	Symmetric or Asymmetric	Symmetric or Asymmetric
Crew Arm Extension CEXT	<= 0.5	<= 0.5	> 0.5

The minimum number of boats plus the number of countries in each division shall be 14. If this is not met by **7 June 2017** the organizer may with the agreement with ORC modify the limits and division splits with the intention to keep boats of similar characteristics in the same division or cancel that division from the championship. For example organizers may with the agreement with ORC decide not to accept an entry in Division B if it is considered against the general characteristics of boats in that Division.

The maximum number of boats in a division is 50 with maximum of 30 from one country. The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country they are representing. "National" is defined as either the holder of a passport or identity card, or a similar document stating residential status in the country represented.

Divisions will have separate starts and separate results.

- 4.4 Eligible boats may pre-register until **7 June 2017** by completing the on-line registration form at [www.orcsportboats2017.eu](http://www.orcsportboats2017.eu) and sending the copy of the ORC International or ORC Club certificate to:

Jahtklubs Auda Biedriba  
 Audupes str., 15/17,  
 Riga, LV-1030, Latvia  
 Phone: +371 26114414  
**E-mail:** normunds@jahtklubsauda.lv

- 4.5 A boat is considered pre-registered if the following documents are received:
- Completed and signed entry form
  - Latest ORC International or ORC Club certificate
  - Entry fee payment confirmation

The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event's website upon receipt of each new entry.



- 4.6 If less than 50 boats in total and less than 30 boats from one country are pre-registered in a division before **7 June 2017** all pre-registered boats will be accepted as final entries and additional entries will be allowed until the maximum number of entries as defined in NoR 4.3 is reached, but not later than **21 June 2017**.
- 4.7 If more than 50 boats in total or more than 30 boats from one country are pre-registered in a class before **7 June 2017** final entries will be accepted by the organizer's discretion in agreement with the ORC by considering:
- international representation of the fleet
  - boat's and skipper's racing record, particularly in previous ORC Championships
  - chronological order in which boats are pre-registered

The final list of accepted entries will be published on the event's website on **7 June 2017**. Pre-registered boats whose entry is not accepted will be listed on the "waiting list" and can replace any of the accepted boats that cancel their participation before the start of the championship. The entry fee received from any boat whose entry is not accepted will be re-funded.

## 5 Entry Fee

- 5.1 The entry fee of **300 EUR** if paid until **1 May 2017** or **500 EUR** if paid after that date per boat shall be **paid by bank transfer** to:

**Account holder: Jahtklubs Auda Biedriba**

**Address of account holder: Adupes str. 15/17, Riga, LV1030, Latvia**

**Bank: AS Swedbanka**

**IBAN: LV64HABA0551033724116**

**SWIFT: HABALV22**

**Note: ORC Sportboat EC 2017 – sail number**

- 5.2 The organizer is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's registration.
- 5.3 Late entries may be accepted at organizer's discretion, but free moorings will not be guaranteed and a higher entry fee will be charged.

## 6 Corinthian Division and Trophy

For the Corinthian Division and Trophy, the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 shall apply and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 classification. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website: [www.sailing.org/classification](http://www.sailing.org/classification).

The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be **21 June 2017**. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the classification and World Sailing Sailor ID for each crew. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta. Late entries and incomplete entries cannot be considered for this division.

Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member including a valid World Sailing Sailor ID must be submitted to the Organizing Authority for their approval [and for the approval of the International Jury]. All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board or website as soon as possible after the Registration deadline.



*Note: A representative of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks. Competitors shall attend interviews with the Commission when requested to do so. Competitors are reminded that the Commission has the power to change a classification at the event with no prior notice. Any changes are effective immediately.*

## 7 Registration

- 7.1 Each Owner or Skipper must personally register in the Race Office located in **Yacht club Auda** from 10:00 on 7 August 2017 until 19:00 on **08.08.2017. 19.00 p.m.**
- 7.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration:
- Valid ORC International or ORC Club certificate issued before **1 August 2017**
  - Valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of **1 000 000 EUR.**
  - If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority permission
  - Crew list with name, surname, World Sailing Sailors Classification Code and World Sailing Sailor ID and weight for each crew member
  - Contact phone number both on boat and land, including the name of the contact person
  - Liability acceptance form, duly filled out and signed

This changes RRS 78.2.

- 7.3 No changes shall be made on ORC International certificates after **1 August 2017** unless prescribed and approved by the Technical Committee before or during the pre-race equipment inspection and before the start of the first race.
- 7.4 Crew lists may be amended up to 19:00 on 8 August 2017 by filling a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the International Jury that may delegate this responsibility to the race committee.
- 7.5 The time limit for a protest by a boat regarding the World Sailing's Sailors Classification Code is 20:00 on 10 August 2017. This changes RRS 61.3.

## 8 Schedule

- 8.1 Monday, 7 August - Registration and measurement  
Tuesday, 8 August - Registration and measurement, Practice Race, opening ceremony  
Wednesday, 9 August - Coastal race  
Thursday, 10 August - Inshore race(s)  
Friday, 11 August - Inshore race(s)  
Saturday, 12 August - Inshore race(s), closing ceremony  
Sunday, 13 August - Departure day
- 8.2 Seven races are scheduled including one coastal and seven inshore races. Inshore races will be windward/leeward races, except where unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course, then the International Jury may give permission to sail a substitute course.
- 8.3 The championship is valid if at least 3 inshore races and the coastal race are completed. One discard will be allowed if 5 races are completed.
- 8.4. The Organizing Authority and the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the above program according to weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances



## 9 Measurement

Each boat shall be available for the measurement inspection from 10:00 on 7 August 2017 until 18:00 on 8 August 2017. Pre-race measurement check will include boat weighing on each boat launch. Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

## 10 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities.

## 11 Scoring

- 11.1 Windward/leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Performance Curve Scoring.
- 11.2 Coastal race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Ocean for PCS scoring method.

## 12 International Jury

An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b) and Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury will be final according to the RRS 70.5.

## 13 Support boats

All support boats shall be registered at the race office. Identification numbers will be provided by the organizer. These numbers must be visible at all times.

## 14 Nautical charts

The following nautical charts of the Maritime Administration of Latvia. Hydrographic department of Latvia are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: **2253 and 1012**.

## 15 Berthing

The entry fee includes mooring fees, electricity and water charges from 8.00 on 04 August to 11.00 on 14th August 2017 at Yachtclub "Auda" provided that the entry is completed by the closing date for entries. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

## 16 Haul-out Restrictions

From 9.00 hrs of the first scheduled day of registration until the end of the last scheduled race of the series boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the International Jury. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted. Rudders shall not be removed from the water during the series nor the centerboards removed from their cases.

## 17 Registration of arrival

All boats participating at the event shall immediately announce their arrival at the Race Office at Yachtclub "Auda" and get their berth (+37126114414). All boats that accompany the participating entries shall immediately after arrival to the Yachtclub "Auda" register at the Race Office and get their berth.



## 18 Media rights

Competitors, owners and their guests grant absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

## 19 Communication

Except in emergency or when communicating with the Race Committee, a boat that is racing, shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 20 Trophies and Prizes

Trophies for the ORC Sportboat European Championship 2017 will be awarded to the top three boats in Open and Corinthian divisions. The organizer may award additional trophies what will be announced on the event's website.

## 21 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, **Yacht club Auda, Latvian Yachting Union, ORC** and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.

## 22 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of 1 000 000 EUR per event. Regardless, it is the responsibility of the owners to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

## 23 Further information

For further information, please contact

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