

2017
INTERNATIONAL SAILING REGATTA
POSEIDON – BALCHIK DOBROGEA CUP

MARINA EFORIE – BALCHIK
24th – 27th OF MAY 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

– Offshore classes section –



Organising authorities:

Black Sea Sailing Association



Morsky Klub Balchik



In conjunction with:
C.S. Black Sea Competition



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WELCOME NOTE

Continuing the tradition of the past years regattas, we have the pleasure to invite you to take part in “POSEIDON-BALCHIK DOBROGEA CUP INTERNATIONAL SAILING REGATTA” 2017, one of the most important sailing events in the Black Sea, which this year will take place at the Offshore Class under the INTERNATIONAL SAILING REGATTA “POSEIDON – BALCHIK DOBROGEA CUP 2017”.

POSEIDON – BALCHIK DOBROGEA CUP 2017 Regatta marks the start for both the 6th edition of Black Sea Sailing Trophy and the 5th edition of **Romania Cup**.

The joint efforts of organizers, Black Sea Sailing Association and Morsky Club Balchik in conjunction with C.S. Black Sea Competition are aiming to bring together, at the same event, an increasing number of sailors and to encourage the development of this sport.

As organizers we will be proud to welcome all skippers and crew members and will do our best to make this event memorable both in respect of race organization and social program.

Welcome!

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1. RULES

- 1.1. POSEIDON-BALCHIK DOBROGEA CUP REGATTA will be governed by the Rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS);
- 1.2. ISAF equipment rules of sailing 2017 - 2020;
- 1.3. ISAF offshore special regulation;
- 1.4. ORC/IRC rating rules;
- 1.5. 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;
- 1.6. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.7. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING & MEDIA RIGHTS

2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising materials supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA). All advertising materials should remain visible and posted according to Sailing Instructions, for the entire Regatta period. The refusal to display promotional materials leads to automatic disqualification of the boat.

2.2. By participating in the Poseidon-Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta 2017, a competitor automatically grants to the Organizing Authority and the sponsors of the race, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said Poseidon-Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta 2017, in which the competitor participates and in all materials related, without compensation.

3. CLASSES

3.1. Regatta is open to all sailing boats and will be conducted according to both rating systems ORC and IRC.

3.2. For the sailing boats without any rating certificate, they can register in **Rally Class** only for offshore race.

3.3. For **ORC system**, the division of the boats will be ORC A (racer), ORC B (cruiser A) and ORC C (cruiser B). The boats will be divided in according to the GPH value:

<u>ORC A</u>	GPH ≤650
<u>ORC B</u>	GPH >650 ≤750
<u>ORC C</u>	GPH >750

Non-spinnaker rating will be not used.

In preparation for the event, the boat eligible for division RACER shall be weighed prior to racing.

3.3.1 For the ORC class A the boats should have the ORC International certificate for each one of the five (5) regattas that are scheduled to be held in Romania Cup.

!!! For this year only – 2017 – in Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup International Sailing Regatta, for the ORC class A, the boats with ORC Club certificate can be registered in this class only if it were subject to displacement verification by weighing and sails & rig measurements.

3.3.2 The boats with ORC Club certificate from ORC class B and ORC class C shall be subject to scrutiny and to checks of displacement verification by weighing and sails & rig measurements. If, after this verification, there will be noticed that the values are different from those in the certificate, the owner of the boat will have to pay for the verification measurements.

3.3.3 Boats that have been weighed in the IRC system are considered to be registered if they have proof of weighting. Boats with ORC International certificate who have never been weighed have the obligation to be weighed to be able to participate in the regattas.

3.4 For **IRC system**, the division of the boats will be divided according to the HF and DLR values:

- **IRC 1** (Racers) - HF > 7.8, DLR < 200
- **IRC 2** (Cruisers) - HF ≤ 7.8, 200 < DLR < 300

3.4. The division of the boats will be divided, if minimum 5 boats per each class.

4. ENTRY AND PROCEDURE

4.1. The entry form, completed in full, must be sent by email to blackseasailing@gmail.com and cristian.tabacu@gmail.com until 22th of May 2017, 20:00.

4.2. Entry application form must be accompanied by the:

- crew list,
- copy of valid ORC/IRC rating certificate of the boat, except the Rally Class
- relevant Skipper's License.
- disclaimer
- entry form

4.3. There will be no entry fee for the boats registered until 22th of May 2017, 20:00.

4.4. Entries after the date above can be made at Race Office – Marina Eforie, but not later than 24th of May 2017, 21.00 or 25th of May 2017, 09.30. In this case, an entry fee of 200 Ron/boat will be applied.

The time for entries on 24th May 2017 will be extended until 22.00 for exceptional circumstances, provided that those concerned shall previously send by e-mail the registration documents and inform in writing the estimated time of arrival at the Race Committee office for registration. Late entries may be accepted at the Race Committee discretion.

4.5. Each owner or skipper should personally register at the Race Office by presenting the following documents:

- valid ORC/IRC rating certificate, except Rally Class;
- boat registration certificate
- skipper's license
- crew list
- liability acceptance form (provided by OA) fully filled in and signed
- third part liability insurance (covering minimum amount of 20.000 Euro)

4.6. In order for a boat to fulfil his entry in the regatta, it must start at least one of the scheduled races.

It is the owner's or skipper's solely and inescapably responsibility to produce the above mentioned documents while making the entry. No modification will be accepted later than 9 AM on the first day of racing.

5. BOATS IDENTIFICATION AND MEASUREMENT

5.1. All the boats will be required to display the registration numbers provided by OA upon completion of entry procedure, as per instructions received from Race Committee. Failure to display the registration numbers under the conditions requested by the OA leads to the disqualification of the boat, without the right to protest.

5.2. At any time through the series even whilst boats are racing, sails, boat and crew weight and number of members shall be subject to scrutiny and to checks for compliance with the rules at the discretion of the Race Committee.

6. SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 24.05.2017

Registration	17.00 – 21.00	Race Office Marina Eforie
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Thursday, 25.05.2017

Registration	08.00 – 09.30	Race Office Marina Eforie
Technical meeting	10.00 – 10.30	Race Office Marina Eforie
Inshore race(s)	11.55	First possible warning signal in front of Marina Eforie No warning signal after 17.00
Welcome party	20.30	Welcome party

Friday, 26.05.2017

Offshore race from Eforie Nord to Balchik	10.30	First possible warning in front of Marina Eforie
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Saturday, 27.05.2017

Inshore race(s) for all classes	12.30	First possible warning signal in front of Balchik Marina No warning signal after 17.00
Prize giving ceremony & Party	19.30	Balchik

*Details on the racing areas, course and marks coordinates will be announced through Sailing Instructions and at the Technical Meeting

** The OA reserves the right to make minor changes to the above program

7. SCORING

7.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply

7.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

7.3. There will be separate classifications for each class

7.4. Scoring for ORC classes

7.4.1. Offshore (and costal) race (s) results will be determined by corrected times calculated by Time on Time method

7.4.2. Inshore races results will be determined by corrected times calculated by Triple number method

7.5. Scoring for IRC classes: Races will be scored using Time on Time system.

7.6. Scoring for Rally Class will be determined by real time.

7.7. For the general results of the Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta, the following scoring coefficients will be applied:

Inshore Races:	scoring coefficient 1,00
Offshore/Costal races: route length < 40 Nm	scoring coefficient 1.20
Offshore/Costal races: route length > 40 Nm	scoring coefficient 1.50

7.8. The regatta is valid if one race is completed

7.9. Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta is part of the Black Sea Sailing Trophy and Romania Cup and final results will be part of the general scoring

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available upon registration

9. VENUE

9.1. Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta will take place in Marina Eforie and Marina Balchik according to the schedule.

9.2. The courses will be set in Black Sea waters from Marina Eforie to Balchik.

10. MOORINGS

All boats will be berthed free of charge at the assigned places in Marina Eforie (24th – 26th of May 2017) and Marina Balchik (26th – 28th of May 2017)

11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be lifted from the water during the regatta, unless there is a written consent from the Race Committee.

12. DIVING EQUIPEMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

13. COMMUNICATIONS

13.1. The official communication channel of the race will be announced through Sailing Instructions and at the Technical Meeting. Channel VHF 16 is mandatory to be kept open at all times during the race.

13.2. Except in an emergency or if requested by the race committee, a boat shall neither send or receive radio communications not available to all boats while racing. This restriction will apply to mobile phones also.

14. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

14.1. Boats ranked first, second and third places of each ORC and IRC class will be awarded Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta 2017 cups and medals.

14.2. **The Trophy Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta 2017** will be awarded to designated winner for **Rally Class only** according to the result determined by real time of all boats participating in the offshore race.

15. LIABILITY

15.1. All those taking part at the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility (see ISAF RCV 2017 – 2020 Rule 4, Decision to compete). Organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, their members or any other bodies or persons involved in organizing, conducting or judging the Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta 2017 disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever or loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of the participation to the event.

15.2. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms for themselves and for all the crew members, by signing the entry form.

15.3. The organizers advise all participants to have third party liability insurance and to have all crew members insured.

15.4. Organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, their members or any other bodies or persons involved in organizing, conducting or judging the Poseidon – Balchik Dobrogea Cup Regatta 2017 rescue equipment shall be subject to scrutiny and to checks for compliance with the rules at the discretion of the Race Committee.

15.5. All participants must have aboard the boat life jackets at all time during the races

16. RACE OFFICE(S) AND INFORMATIONS

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VHF Channel 73

Romanian Border Authority
VHF Channel 16

Bulgarian Border Authority
VHF Channel 8

!!! Please take into consideration to prepare the necessary documents for border entrance/clearance procedure

Happy sailing!

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