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NOTICE OF RACE

[Amended 9/10/2025]

Under the authority of World Sailing and the Italian Sailing Federation, the ORC World Championship is organised by the Circolo del Remo e della Vela Italia as the Organising Authority, in collaboration with ORC and supported by Yacht Club Italiano and Reale Yacht Club Canottieri Savoia.

1. RULES

- a. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Other documents under RRS Definition Rule (g) include:
- b. IMS Rule
- c. ORC Rating Systems Rule
- d. [DP] World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Category 3 for monohulls with the following additions:
 - i. Liferaft complying with OSR Category 2 are required for the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore) and the coastal race;
 - ii. Lifejackets as defined in OSR 5.01 shall be worn while on deck between 20.30 hrs. and 05.30 hrs CEST;
 - iii. Each boats' AIS shall be active from the 5th May 10.00 hrs. until the completion of the last race in the series;
 - iv. Jackstays shall be fitted on the deck for the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore) and the coastal race from the moment when a boat leaves the harbour. This changes OSR 4.04.
- e. Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
 - i. All sails, including storm & heavy weather sails required by the OSR, shall have a measurement stamp or sticker with all required measurements clearly readable.
 - ii. [DP] Each boat shall select sails to be used at the event up to the maximum numbers as defined in ORC Rule 206.1. Selected sails will be marked with the event's sticker. Only sails marked with the event's sticker may be on board during the event.
 - iii. [DP] Sails carried on board may vary from day to day but shall remain the same for each individual race day, including days with multiple races even in the case of damage to sails. The race day begins when the boat leaves the harbour and ends when the boat returns in the harbour.
 - iv. [DP] Sails damaged during the event may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the technical committee.
- f. Minimum crew weight as defined in ORC Rules 102.3 and 200.1(b) shall apply.
- g. Exceptions to RRS 77 may be granted by the OA upon written request before the close of registration (this changes RRS 77).
- h. During the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore), from 20.30 hrs. to 05.30 hrs. CEST, the RRS of Part 2 are replaced by the right-of-way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS).

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- i. The 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore): World Sailing Test Rule DR21- 01 applies. Change the definition Start as follows:
 - i. Start: A boat starts when her hull having been entirely on the prestart side of the starting line, and having complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either
 - (a) at or after her starting signal, or
 - (b) during the last 60 seconds before her starting signal.
 - ii. When a boat starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition Start, she may return to the pre-start side of the line to comply with item (a) of the definition of Start, but, if she does not, she shall receive a Scoring Penalty calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c).
- j. World Sailing Appendix 3 Eligibility Code Regulation 19, and World Sailing (WS) Sailor Classification Code WS Regulation 22 shall apply to boats in any Corinthian categories.
- k. **[NP]** denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat and for which the International Jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 63.1.
- I. No national prescriptions will apply, except that all Italian crews shall have a valid FIV membership card including the medical certificate. Non-Italian crews must comply with the rules of their National Authorities.
- m. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANISING AUTHORITY [DP] [NP]

- a. Advertising will be in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats are responsible for informing their sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore within the harbour area without written consent from the Organising Authority before the start of the event.
- b. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority, including but not limited to the following throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the finish of the last race of the series;
 - i. Event sponsor pennant on the backstay or the centre back stanchion;
 - ii. Event flag hoisted on the forestay while moored in the harbour;
 - iii. Boom stickers with the logo of the sponsor;
 - iv. Class flag that shall be flown on the backstay.
- c. The Organising Authority may require the installation, at no cost to the competitors, of onboard cameras.
- d. Participants shall allow the installation of the tracking unit on their boats and shall be responsible for the unit while onboard. They shall return the unit to the Race Office as soon as possible after finishing the regatta and will be required to leave a damage deposit of Euro 900, by credit card or check, in case the unit is not returned.
- e. Competitors and support persons shall handle equipment or place advertising provided by the Organising Authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.



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3. COMMUNICATION

- a. The official notice board (ONB) will be online at the event website: www.tregolfisailingweek.com
- b. A Telegram messaging group will be used. Sign-up details for the Telegram messaging group will be provided at registration. Failure to receive Telegram messages shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- c. [DP] RRS 41(c) is changed as follows:

A boat shall not receive help from any outside source, except help in the form of information, which is freely available to all boats, whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription. However, this shall not include interpretation of information specific to the boat and her situation gathered by advice from any source not on the boat at that time.

By way of an example and interpretation, downloading charts, weather and/or tidal GRIB files from subscription services, or having such information passed to the boat in its pure form, is permitted but receiving messages or information which is the result of interpretation by a person outside of the boat is not permitted.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

- a. The event is open to all boats with a valid ORC International certificate with a CDL between 8.000 and 16.400 included. The flotation date on an ORC International Certificate shall not be earlier than 29 April 2021.
- b. Classes are defined by the CDL:

Class 0: $16.400 \ge CDL > 13.550$ Class A: $13.550 \ge CDL > 11.270$ Class B: $11.270 \ge CDL > 9.630$ Class C: $9.630 \ge CDL > 8.000$

Note: CDL limits are based on ORC VPP 2025 and may be updated when 2026 VPP becomes available

- c. To assign a World Champion title in a Class the number of boats and the number of countries shall be not less than 14 per class for Classes A, B, and C and not less than 6 boats and countries for Class 0.
- d. If the minimum number of boats or countries in a Class are not met, that Class may be grouped with the closest Class. In this case, the rules for awarding a World Champion title will be agreed by the Organising Authority and the ORC and published one month before the start of the championship.
- e. Classes will have separate starts and separate results.
- f. Competitors shall be at least 12 years old on the first day of the event. Crew members who are less than 18 years old shall be present at registration and sign waiver declaration form, available on the event website, and be signed by parents or legal guardian giving consent.
- g. The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country the boat is representing. "National" is defined as either the holder of a



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passport or identity card, or a similar document stating residential status in the country represented.

- h. Any change after applying ORC rule 305.2(b) or (c) shall not change the Class that the boat was originally entered.
- i. Eligible boats may pre-register until 28 February 2026 ("Entry Deadline") by completing the on-line registration form on the event web site and paying the relevant entry fee. The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event website upon receipt of each new entry.
- j. Entries may be accepted after that date at the discretion of the Organising Authority with a 50% surcharge to the entry fee.
- k. If less than 80 boats are pre-registered at the Entry Deadline all pre-registered boats will be accepted as final entries and additional entries will be accepted based on chronological order of registration until the number of 80 entries is reached ("Accepted Entries").
- I. If more than 80 boats are pre-registered at the Entry Deadline, Accepted Entries are listed at the discretion of the Organising Authority, in agreement with the ORC, by considering:
 - i. International representation of the fleet:
 - ii. The racing record in previous ORC Championships:
 - iii. Chronological order in which boats have finalised pre-registration.
- m. Pre-registered boats whose entry is not accepted, nor finalised before 28th February 2026, will be listed on the "waiting list" and can replace any of the Accepted Entries 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.
- n. Yachts placed in the waiting list are allowed to join the World Championship if they provide for a berth at their expenses (see NOR 14.c).
- o. Once the entry is accepted, each boat shall submit a crew list before 15th April 2026. Crew lists shall include all crew members who will be on board at the start of the first race and may be amended up to the close of registration. After this time, any change in the crew shall be notified to the race office.
- p. Crew lists will be published on the event website by 12.00 hrs. of 30th April 2026.
- q. In accordance with the decision made by World Sailing to suspend participation of Russian and Belarusian competitors, the following are not eligible to take part in this event if this decision is still in place at the time of the close of entry:
 - i. Competitors with Russian or Belarussian passport or representing these countries;
 - ii. Boats whose owner or person in charge is a national from Russia or Belarus; or
 - iii. Boats registered in Russia or Belarus or with a sail number from these countries.

5. AMATEUR AND FEMALE CREWS (CORINTHIAN AND FEMALE DIVISIONS)

- a. For the Corinthian Division and Trophy, the World Sailing Sailor Categorisation Code shall apply, and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 categorisation. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Categorisation Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website.
- b. For the Female Division a boat shall have 50% or more female competitors on board in each race of the series.



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- c. The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian Division and/or Female Division entries shall be 15th April 2026. Each Corinthian and Female entry shall include a complete crew list and show the gender, World Sailing Sailor ID and the Categorisation Group for each crew member. All crew shall hold valid categorisation prior to this date that does not expire until after the final day of the event. Late entries and incomplete entries cannot be considered for the Corinthian Division or Female Division.
- d. Any crew change that impacts a crew's eligibility for the Corinthian Division or Female Division will automatically exclude the boat from the relevant Division.
- e. The time limit for a protest or a request for redress by a boat regarding the World Sailing's Sailors Categorisation Code is 12.00 hrs. 8th May 2026. This changes RRS 60.3(b) and 61.2.

6. ENTRY FEES

a. The entry fee is as follows:

	before 30 November 2025	from 1 December 2025
Class 0:	1700.00 EUR	2000.00 EUR
Class A:	1300.00 EUR	1500.00 EUR
Class B:	1200.00 EUR	1400.00 EUR
Class C:	1100.00 EUR	1300.00 EUR

Payable by bank transfer to:

Beneficiary: Circolo del Remo e della Vela Italia IBAN: IT97K0321103400052390756750

BIC/SWIFT: SENVITT1XXX
Bank: BANCA SELLA

Address: Via dei Mille, 34/36 – 80121 Napoli

indicating Boat name and Sail #.

- b. The entry fee is non-refundable, even if the entry is cancelled later or the boat does not show up, except for the event being cancelled by the Organising Authority or if the entry is rejected or cancelled under RRS 76.1.
- c. The Organising Authority is not responsible for any other cost incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's entry nor for any cancellation of the event.

7. SCHEDULE

Tuesday,	5th May	- Registration and equipment inspection, 09:00 – 18.00 hrs.
Wednesday,	6th May	- Registration and equipment inspection, 09:00 – 18.00 hrs.
Thursday,	7th May	- Registration and equipment inspection, 09:00 – 18.00 hrs.
Friday,	8th May	- Registration and equipment inspection, 09.00 – 12.00 hrs.
		- 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (long offshore), starting from
		Naples. First warning signal at 16.00 hrs.
Saturday,	9th May	- (continued)
Sunday,	10th May	- (continued)
Monday,	11th May	- inshore races(s), first warning signal at 12.00 hrs.
Tuesday,	12th May	- inshore races(s), first warning signal at 12.00 hrs.





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Wednesday, **13th May** - coastal race, first warning signal at 11.00 hrs.

Thursday, **14th May** - inshore races(s), first warning signal at 12.00 hrs.

prize giving ceremony after racing, approximately 17.30 hrs.

- a. The coastal race will be approximately 10-12 hours for the slowest boat.
- b. Inshore races will be approximately 1 to 1.5 hours for the slowest boat.
- c. The schedule may be changed depending on the weather and wind conditions.
- d. No warning signal will be displayed after 15.00 hrs. on Thursday 14th May.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- a. Each boat shall have a valid ORC certificate issued before 28 April 2026. Certificates issued after that date may be accepted only by the request of the relevant ORC Rating office. This changes RRS 78.2.
- b. No changes shall be made on ORC certificates after 28 April 2026 unless prescribed and approved by the technical committee in correcting any error that may be found in a boat's certificate before or during the pre-race equipment inspections and before the start of the first race.
- c. Equipment inspection and event measurement will be from Tuesday 5th May to Thursday 7th May from 09.00 to 18.00 hrs. and Friday 8th May from 09.00 to 12.00 hrs. Boats must be available for inspections by the Technical Committee in Sorrento. Booking of time slots for inspections by the boats will be available through the online system.
- d. A boat shall not start any race until she passes the pre-race equipment inspections.
- e. Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring. At any reasonable time throughout the event, the race committee or technical committee members may undertake random inspections and measurement checks on any boat. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in the rules.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

a. The Sailing Instructions will be available by Monday 27th April, on the Official Notice Board.

10. VENUE

- a. The venue of the event is Sorrento Harbour, where the Race Village will be located.
- b. The 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race will be starting and finishing in Naples.
- c. Inshore races will be sailed in the Bay of Naples and waters adjacent to Sorrento and Capri. Details of the race area and courses will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

11. INTERNATIONAL JURY AND PENALTIES

- a. An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in 91(b).
- b. Coastal and Inshore Races: RRS 44.1 is changed so that the "Two turns Penalty" is replaced by the "One-Turn Penalty".
- c. The 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race: If a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 RRS or a rule of the IRPCAS, when applicable, she shall exonerate herself by following the procedure of RRS 44.3 (a) and (b).



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- d. Penalties for breaches of a rule other than a rule of Parts 1 or 2 of the RRS may be less than disqualification if the International Jury so decides.
- e. Add to RRS 60.4(c): (4) the race committee or protest committee for a breach of the IRPCAS or government right-of-way rules by a boat with respect to a vessel not racing as a result of information received from any source [unless that source could itself protest the boat].
- f. Add to RRS 61.4(b): IRPCAS. (6) injury or physical damage because of the action of a boat racing when the IRPCAS applied between them and that boat is determined to be at fault under the IRPCAS.
- g. Redress Limitation:
 - i. Redress shall not be given to a yacht for a greater number of races than she completed during the regatta; this changes RRS 61.4.
 - ii. Actions by official boats, drones or helicopters shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat. This adds to 61.2(b)(1).
- h. In compliance with FIV Prescription 91(b)-PR3, one member of the International Jury will participate remotely (online), subject to prior approval by the Federazione Italiana Vela (FIV)
- i. Appendix P will not apply for this event

12. SCORING

- a. Eight races are scheduled, including the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore), a coastal race and six inshore windward-leeward races. When unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course, then the Organising Authority in agreement with the ORC Representative may give permission to sail a substitute course.
- b. Five (5) races, including at least the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore) or the coastal race are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- c. A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score, as follows:
 - i.The 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (long offshore) and the coastal race shall not be excluded.
 - ii. When less than four (4) inshore windward-leeward races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - iii. When five (5) or more inshore windward-leeward races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score of the inshore windward-leeward races.
- d. Inshore windward leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Polar Curve Scoring and constructed course scoring method.
- e. The 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore) results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the single ToT calculated by the Weather Routing as provided by the ORC.
- f. The coastal race results will be calculated based on ToD.
- g. A list of ratings will be published not later than 1 hour before the start of the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race (offshore) and the coastal race.





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13. SUPPORT TEAM AND SUPPORT VESSELS

- a. All support teams shall register at the Race Office during registration. By registering as a support person, each support person agrees to be governed by the rules.
- b. All support vessels shall be registered at the Race Office during registration. Identification flags may be provided by the Organising Authority and shall always be visibly displayed.
- c. Support Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the racing area during training or race days unless prior approval from the Organising Authority, which may impose similar limitations as applicable to support boats, and without complying with Italian Law. At any time, the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying it. Images made within the racing area shall be shared with the Organising Authority, the International Jury, and competitors at reasonable request.

14. BERTHING

- a. Accepted Entries will be provided a free of charge mooring in Sorrento Marina Piccola from Tuesday 5th May to Friday 15th May and are required to leave their mooring by 12.00 hrs. on Friday 15th May.
- b. Registered boats that do not participate in any race of the series, or staying outside these dates, will be required to pay the applicable mooring fee.
- c. Moorings are not included in the entry fee for entries placed in the waiting list (NoR 4.n); it is their responsibility to search for a berth at their expenses at any of the nearby marinas:
 - Consorzio Nautico, Sant'Agnello, 2 nautical miles from Sorrento, (+39 081 53213 88, consorzionautico@hotmail.it)
 - Marina di Cassano, Piano di Sorrento, 2 miles (+39 081 8788734, info@lacarenasrl.it)
 - Marina di Stabia, Castellammare, 6 miles (+39 081 8716871, info@marinadistabia.it)
 - Capri Marina, Capri, 7 nautical miles (+39 081 8377602, info@portoturisticodicapri.com)
- d. [DP] Local regulations require that all yachts moored in Sorrento must inform the Harbour Control by VHF radio channel 74 when they first arrive and each time they leave or enter the harbour and wait to receive acknowledgement. It is mandatory for the representative of all boats to visit the Harbourmaster's Office and to finalise their registration.
- e. [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned mooring while they are in the harbour.

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

- a. Boats shall be in the water from 09.00 hrs. on 5th May until the end of the last scheduled race of the series.
- b. Boats shall not be hauled out during the event, except for the purpose of repairing damage and only after written permission from the Technical Committee. While hauled for the above purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted.
- c. In accordance with Italian law, diving inside the harbour is forbidden.

16.MEDIA RIGHTS

a. Competitors, and owners, grant absolute right and permission to the Organising Authority for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be





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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.

17. INSURANCE

- a. Participants shall be insured with third-party insurance valid for racing with a minimum cover of Euro 1,500,000 or any other larger amount that owners consider appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.
- b. The responsibility to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third-Party Insurance (Property and Persons) is to the owners or the skippers alone.
- c. The OA is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of insurance certificates.

19. RISK STATEMENT

- a. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". Therefore, the participants are aware that sailing falls within those activities governed by Article 2050 of the Italian Civil Code and that all participants must have a valid federal membership card that guarantees accident coverage, including death and permanent disability.
- b. It is therefore the responsibility of the Competitors and their Support Persons to choose whether to participate in the regattas, continue or give up, on the basis of their capabilities and those of their crew, the strength of the wind, the state of the sea, the weather forecast and everything else that must be foreseen by a skilled sailor.
- c. The Organisers, the Race Committee, the International Jury and those who cooperate in the event, decline any and all responsibility for damages that people and/or things may suffer, both ashore and sailing, as a consequence of their participation in this regatta.

18. TRASH DISPOSAL

- a. Recalling the RRS Basic Principle stating: "Participants are encouraged to minimise any negative environmental impact of the sport of sailing", we recommend the utmost attention to environmental protection during and after the event. Attention is drawn to RRS 47 Trash Disposal which textually mentions: "Competitors and support persons shall not intentionally put trash in the water". This rule always applies while afloat.
- b. Boats shall make a reasonable effort to recover sails, parts of broken sails, halyards, etc, and not just drop sails in the sea for pick up by their support boat.

19. AMENDMENTS TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

a. This Notice of Race may be changed. Amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

End of the Notice of Race.

OTHER INFORMATION

Event website: www.tregolfisailingweek.com
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