

2026 TRE GOLFI SAILING WEEK

71ST REGATA DEI TRE GOLFI

ORC Long Distance Race

Friday 8th May 2026, Naples, Italy

MAXI Long Distance Race

Friday 22nd May 2026, Naples, Italy

NOTICE OF RACE

Under the authority of the Italian Sailing Federation, supported by ROLEX as Official Timepiece the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi is organised by the Circolo del Remo e della Vela Italia (Organizing Authority, "OA"), in conjunction with the IMA, ORC and UVAI and in cooperation with Reale Yacht Club Canottieri Savoia.

Part of the ORC World Championship, and the IMA Maxi European Championship, the Long Distance Race is eligible for the Italian ORC National Offshore Championship and for the IMA Mediterranean Maxi Offshore Challenge.

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. World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with Life Raft;
 - i. OSR Category 3 compliance will be evaluated by the Technical Committee, which may address related issues with a NoR Amendment.
 - ii. RRS 48.1 does not apply to water used in a water ballast system that is declared and described in a yacht's measurement certificate (changes RRS 48.1).
 - iii. Crew members' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 Life-Saving Equipment: "Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing personal buoyancy adequate for the conditions."
 - iv. ii. A combined Lifejacket and Harness shall be worn when on deck (see also Special Regulation 5.01 and 5.02):
 - A. Between the hours of sunset and sunrise
 - B. When alone on deck
 - C. When reefed
 - D. When the true wind speed is 25 knots or above
 - E. When the visibility is less than 1 nautical mile
- c. ORC Rating System Rules;
- d. IMS Rules;
- e. The IMA Class Rule as published on IMA website.
- f. The IRC Rating rules: 2026 IRC Rule, Parts A, B and C;
 - i. For IRC Rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) this regatta is on consecutive days and the sails carried on board need to remain the same for each day of racing but not for the



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duration of the whole event. For this rule the day begins when a boat leaves the mooring for the first time each day and ends when the boat returns to the mooring after racing;

- ii. IRC Rule 22.4.2 is deleted and replaced with: "The maximum number of crew members on board shall be the crew number printed on her certificate. There is no weight limit".
 - iii. Boats are eligible to enter the event based on the IRC REDUCED CREW rating calculation. This allows a boat to race with a maximum crew number of 70% of the IRC standard crew number. The IRC REDUCED CREW application deadline is 18.00 3 May 2026, the IRC REDUCED CREW rating shall be recorded on the IMA Certificate and shall apply for all races.
 - iv. If declared on the measurement and/or class certificate, steering, ram, and winch systems powered by force other than manual, as well as moveable appendages, trim tabs, water ballast and canting keels are permitted (this changes RRS 51 and 52).
 - g. [DP] FIV Regulations for Offshore Sailing, Normativa per la vela d'Altura FIV, applies to Italian boats participating to the Italian ORC National Offshore Championship.
 - h. Exceptions to RRS 77 may be granted by the OA upon written request prior to the close of registration (this changes RRS 77).
 - i. 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.
 - j. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the "Two-Turns Penalty" is replaced by the "One-Turn Penalty".
 - 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.
 - l. No National Authority prescriptions apply.
 - m. If there is conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
 - n. 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).
 - o. For the Maxi Long Distance Race Only: 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).



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

- a. Advertising will be in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats are responsible for informing their own sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore within the harbour area without written consent from the Organising Authority prior to the start of the race.
- b. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority, including the following throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the finish of the race;
 - i. Event sponsor pennant on the backstay or the center back stanchion;
 - ii. Event flag hoisted on the forestay while moored in the harbour;
- c. The Organising Authority may require the installation, at no cost to the competitors, of on-board cameras.
- d. Participants shall allow the installation of the tracking unit on their boats and shall be responsible for the unit while on board. They shall return the unit to the Race Office as soon as possible after finishing the race 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. (DP) Competitors and support persons shall handle and equipment or place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with and instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

3. COMMUNICATION

- a. The official notice board (ONB) will be on-line at the event website:
www.tregolfisailingweek.com
- b. A Telegram messaging group will be used. Sign up details for the Telegram group will be provided at registration. Failure to receive Telegram messages shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1.
- c. Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

- a. Entries are restricted to yachts with a LH > 6.00m if having a CE certification of category A or B, otherwise with LH > 9.00m, with a valid measurement / class certificate under the rule indicated. Sport boats are not allowed to take part in this event.
- b. The following classes will be offered:
 - i. Maxi yachts with LH > 18.29m having IRC rating;
 - ii. Yachts having ORC rating: allocated to groups 0, A, B, C;
 - ii. 3Gx2: double-handed yachts having ORC rating. At least one crew member shall have a valid World Sailing offshore personal survival training course certificate;
- c. Except the double-handed yachts, also eligible for the ORC overall result, dual entry of a yacht in two classes/groups is not permitted.
- d. Changing class or group is not permitted after entry has closed.
- e. For a boat to have entered the Long Distance Race, its current rating certificate and the following documents shall be uploaded online;
 - i. policy document for a valid third-party liability insurance, as stated in NoR 18;



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- ii. liability acceptance form, correctly filled out and signed;
 - iii. FIV advertising license, if applicable;
 - iv. crew list and personal contact details.
- f. Yachts may enter until 23.59 hrs. of 31 March 2026 by completing the online entry form, which is available on the event web site and making the full payment of the entry fee.
- g. 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. ENTRY FEES

- a. Entries completed before the entry deadline are subject to the following fees (net of any bank charges):
 - i. Euro 400 for yachts having LH <12.5m;
 - ii. Euro 600 for yachts having 12.5<LH<18.29m;
 - iii. Euro 1,500 for yachts having LH>18.29;
 - iv. Euro 1,500 for Multihull boats.
- b. Boats entered in either the ORC World Championship or the IMA Maxi European Championship are not required to pay the entry fee for the 71st Regata dei Tre Golfi Race.
- c. Entries after 31st March 2026 may be accepted at the Organising Authority's discretion with a 50% surcharge.
- d. The Organising Authority is not responsible for any cost incurred by the non-acceptance of a yacht's entry nor for any cancellation of the race. Entry fees paid will not be refunded if the yacht does not participate in the race.
- e. Entry fees paid are refundable as follows: 100% until the entry deadline, 50% between the entry deadline and 15th April, 25% between 16th and 30th April, 0% after 1st May.

6. COURSE

- a. The race will start from Naples, Santa Lucia cove, and finish in Naples after rounding Ponza island and Li Galli rocks for about 150 nautical miles.

7. SCHEDULE

- a. Each owner or skipper shall complete registration in person at the Race Office located at Circolo Remo e Vela Italia, Naples, from 10.00 – 18.00 hrs. on Thursday 7th May and from 10.00 – 12.00 hrs. on Friday 8th May 2026.
- b. All boats shall have completed registration before starting the race.
- c. The warning signal for the ORC classes will be display on Friday 8th May at 16.15 hrs.
- d. The warning signal for the Maxi class will be displayed on Friday 22nd May at 13.30 hrs.
- e. The prize giving for Maxi class is scheduled for Thursday 28th May at 17.30 in Sorrento during the IMA Maxi European Championship prize giving ceremony.
- f. Prize giving for all other classes is scheduled for Sunday 10th May in Naples after the arrival of all boats.



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8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- a. Yachts must be available for inspections by the Technical Committee in Sorrento for maxi yachts or Naples for all other boats.
- b. Equipment inspection and event measurement will be Thursday 7th May from 10.00 to 18.00 hrs. and Friday 8th May 10.00 to 12.00.
- c. 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 race will start from Naples.
- b. There are two Race Offices which are located at Circolo Remo e Vela Italia, Naples, for all classes or Sorrento Harbour for maxi yachts.

11. INTERNATIONAL JURY

- a. An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in 91(b).
- b. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the "Two-Turns Penalty" is replaced by "One-Turn Penalty".
- c. 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.
- d. 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].
- e. 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.
- f. 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.
- 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 64.1(c).
 - ii. Actions by official boats, drones or helicopters shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat, this changes RRS 61.4(b).
- 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 AND TROPHIES

- a. IRC Results will be calculated based on "Time on Time".
- b. ORC results will be calculated by corrected times calculated by calculated by the Weather Routing System Time on Distance as provided by the ORC. A list of ratings will be published not later than 1 hour before the start time.



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- c. The following perpetual challenge trophies will be presented (the final list will be posted on the ONB):
 - i. Coppa Senatore Andrea Matarazzo: to the first ORC yacht on corrected time;
 - ii. Coppa Mariano Verusio: to the first Maxi yacht on IRC corrected time, including the yachts of the Maxi European Championship;
 - iii. Coppa Gustavo d'Andrea: to the first yacht on elapsed time;
 - iv. Other prizes will be awarded to the first three yachts in each category/group with at least 10 entries, to the first two if at least 6 entries and to the first yacht only if there are less than 6 entries.

13. [DP] SUPPORT TEAM AND SUPPORT VESSELS

- a. All support teams shall register at either of the Race Offices. 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.
- c. Identification flags may be provided by the Organising Authority and shall always be visibly displayed.
- d. 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. [DP] BERTHING

- a. ORC boats only entered for the ORC Long Distance Race will be provided free of charge berth in Naples, Santa Lucia, from Wednesday 6 to Friday 8 May.
- b. Maxi yachts entered for only the Regatta dei Tre Golfi Long Distance Race, subject to availability and based on the order of registration, may be provided with a free of charge berth in in Naples, Santa Lucia, from Wednesday 20 to Friday 22 May.
- c. Boats with entries accepted after the entry deadline are not guaranteed moorings.
- d. Yachts must inform the Race Office at least 24 hours before the arrival and by VHF radio channel 74 when they first arrive in Naples.
- e. After arrival and subject to availability, boats will be offered an overnight free of charge berth in Naples at the CRV Italia and neighboring marina, under the responsibility of their owner or skipper.

15. [DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- a. Boats shall be afloat from 09:00 hrs. in the morning of the race start.
- b. In accordance with Italian law diving inside the harbour is forbidden.

16. [DP] 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 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.



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17. MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION NATIONALITY

- a. Italian crews shall have a valid FIV membership card, inclusive of medical prescription.
- b. Non-Italian crews must comply with the rules of their National Authorities.
- c. The registration nationality of a yacht is indicated by the owner of the yacht as set out in the entry form. If not indicated, the sail national letters on the mainsail or the owner's nationality will be used.
- d. Competitors must be at least 12 years old on the date of the start of the race. Crew members who are less than 18 years old shall present at registration a declaration form, available on the event website, signed by parents or legal guardian who must give consent.

18. INSURANCE

- a. Participants shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1,500,000 (Euro 7,750,000 for maxis) 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.

17. 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 Organizers, 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. [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

- a. Recalling the RRS Basic Principle stating: "Participants are encouraged to minimize 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.



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