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**47th BALKAN SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Constanta, Navodari, 31 August - 06 September 2014



## NOTICE OF RACE

The Romanian Yachting Federation is pleased to invite all nations to take part in the 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships.  
To be held at SiutGhiol Lake, Constanta, Romania from 31<sup>st</sup> August to 6<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships will be governed by the Rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing enforced and related Class Rules.
- 1.2. No prescription of the Romanian Yachting Federation will apply.
- 1.3. The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply to the extent that they are referenced into the International Optimist, Laser, Laser Radial, Laser 4,7, FINN, 470, 420 and RS:X classes.
- 1.4. No Racing Rules change requiring advance preparation will apply. Racing Rules changes will appear in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5. The Official Language of the Championship is English. All documents related to the Event shall be written only in English.
- 1.6. The 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships are open to Optimist Boys, Optimist Girls, Laser, Laser Radial Women, Laser 4,7 (free choice of gender), FINN Senior, FINN Junior, 470 Men, 470 Women, 420 (free choice of gender) RS:X Men, and RS:X Women.
- 1.7. According with the minute of the last Balkan Meeting art. 7, only the classes/categories which will have entered a minimum of 6 (six) boats/boards from 3 (tree) Balkan nations will be validated.

### 2. Advertising

- 2.1. ISAF regulation 20 – ISAF Advertising Code – will apply.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

### 3. Eligibility & Entry Fee

- 3.1. The 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships are open, according with the minutes of the last Balkan Meeting held in Ohrid, to classes mentioned in the present Notice of Race art. 1.6 and to competitors who comply with ISAF Regulation 19 – Eligibility Code. Each crew member of a competing boat/board shall be a national of or ordinarily resident of the nation where the National Authority the crew intends to represent is established.

Participating crews in the 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships shall be designated by their National Authority. The Balkan Championship being on open status, the participating countries outside of the Balkan Region shall be considered outside of this scheme.

- 3.2. The Participation in the 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships is restricted of 43 persons per nation as follows:
- 1 Team Leader
  - 5 Officials & Support personnel
  - 1 Judge (preferably IJ if they exist in the Member Nation)
  - 5 Optimist (Boys)
  - 3 Optimist (Girls)
  - 2 Laser (Men)
  - 2 Laser Radial (Women)
  - 3 Laser 4,7
  - 3 FINN (Senior/Junior)
  - 2 470 (Men) – 4 persons
  - 2 470 (Women) – 4 persons
  - 3 420 (Open) – 6 persons
  - 2 RS:X (Men)
  - 2 RS:X (Women)
- 43 Persons in total
- 3.3. No entry fee will be required.
- 3.4. The number of competitors (by classes and gender) within the quota and extra quota and the number of the officials shall be send by email to the Romanian Yachting Federation – office@fry.ro – not later than 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014.
- 3.5. The Organizing Authority will cover the full accommodation and food costs of the participating Balkan countries team within the declared quota from 31<sup>st</sup> August to 6<sup>th</sup> September 2014.
- 3.6. Balkan Countries may participate with competitors and delegates not higher than the double indicated in the quota system. In that case the extra expenses shall be covered by their National Authority.
- 3.7. Nations outside of the Balkan Region will be allowed to participate with full accommodation and food covered by themselves.
- 3.8. Final entries (class, name, genre, date of birth) shall be made by email to the Romanian Yachting Federation – office@fry.ro – by the relevant National Authority not later than 15<sup>th</sup> August 2014 and will be confirmed at the Race Office according with the program declared in the present Notice of Race art. 5.

#### **4. Regatta Format**

- 4.1. The Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships will consist of 12 planned races in each class and Category.
- 4.2. According with the last Balkan Meeting Minutes art. 6, a minimum of 3 races is required to validate the Championships.

#### **5. Schedule**

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| - Sunday    | - 31.08.2014 | Official Arrival Day                      |
| - Monday    | - 01.09.2014 | Registration/Measurement/Opening Ceremony |
| - Tuesday   | - 02.09.2014 | Races                                     |
| - Wednesday | - 03.09.2014 | Races                                     |
| - Thursday  | - 04.09.2014 | Races                                     |
| - Friday    | - 05.09.2014 | Races/Closing Ceremony                    |
| - Saturday  | - 06.09.2014 | Official Departure Day                    |

## **6. Measurement**

- 6.1. Each boat/board shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate, including the completed Measurement Control Form, at the time of pre-race measurement controls.
- 6.2. In accordance with ISAF RRS 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat/board in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of ISAF RRS 78, competitors are considered to be the owners).

## **7. Sailing Instructions**

Sailing Instructions will be made available upon Registration confirmation at the Race Office.

## **8. Venue**

The regatta site is located on the SiutGhiol Lake. More detailed information will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

## **9. The courses**

- 9.1. For Laser, Laser RAL, Laser 4.7, 470, 420 FINN and RS:X Classes the course type will be "Olympic trapezoid".
- 9.2. For the Optimist class the course type will be the "Standard Optimist course".

## **10. Penalty Systems**

- 10.1. ISAF RRS Appendix P will apply for the infringements of ISAF RRS 42.
- 10.2. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in ISAF RRS 70.5.

## **11. Scoring**

- 11.1. The Low Point Scoring System of ISAF RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2. Each series score in Classes or Categories will be established as follows:
  - 11.2.1. when 3 or 4 inclusive races have been completed, a boat/board's series score is the total of her races score,
  - 11.2.2. when 5 to 8 inclusive races have been completed, a boat/board's series score is the total of her races score, excluding her worst one.
  - 11.2.3. when 9 to 12 inclusive races have been completed, a boat/board's series score is the total of her races score excluding her two worst scores.

## **12. Support Boats**

- 12.1. The boats of the Coaches, Team Leaders and any other support personnel from participating Nations shall be registered at the Race office before the first racing day.
- 12.2. Support boats shall fly their national flag or a flag with their three national letters clearly on a staff, or shall be permanently marked with a sticker of their national flag or the three national letters on each side of the boat or the engine.
- 12.3. Drivers of the support boats shall present a copy of their driving license or permit to the Race Office during registration.
- 12.4. Registered support boats shall be used as rescue boats in case of need.

## **13. National Flags and National Anthems**

Each participating Nation shall provide a National flag of 150cm x 100cm as well as their National Anthem (CD ROM) upon arrival.

## 14. Prizes and titles

14.1. Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third crews of each event by the Organizing Committee of the Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championship.

14.2. The first crew of the final official ranking list of the Balkan Championship will be declared:

- 🚣 Laser Class Men's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Laser Radial Women's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Lase 4.7 Junior's (competitors shall not have been born before 1<sup>st</sup> January 1997) Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Finn Class Senior's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Finn Class Junior's (competitors shall not have been born before 1<sup>st</sup> January 1992) Balkan Champion
- 🚣 470 Class Men's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 470 Class Women's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 420 Class Open's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 RS:X Class Men's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 RS:X Class Women's Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Optimist Class Boy's (competitor shall have been born in 1999 or later) Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Optimist Class Girl's (competitor shall have been born in 1999 or later) Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Optimist Class Junior Boy's (competitor shall have been born in 2002 or later) Balkan Champion
- 🚣 Optimist Class Junior Girl's (competitor shall have been born in 2002 or later) Balkan Champion

## 15. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors will participate entirely at their own risk (See ISAF RRS Fundamental Rule 4 – Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority and all bodies, parties or persons involved in the Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships Organization will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships.

## 16. Insurance

16.1. Each participating boat/board including coach or support personnel boats shall be insured with a valid third party liability insurance for material damage of max 10.000 Euro and others with a minimum cover of 540.000 Euro or equivalent for the 47<sup>th</sup> Balkan & Open Balkan Sailing Championships.

## 17. Weather & Wind Conditions

- Water temperature approximately 23° Celsius
- Air temperature approximately 20° – 28° Celsius
- Wind velocity approximately 8 – 15 knots

## 18. Right of Use

All the participants in the Championship automatically accept that the Organizing Authority and the Sponsor(s) of the regatta reserve indefinitely the right to produce, use and show at their discretion, motion pictures and live broadcasts in film or video, including their reproduction, during and after the regatta, without any financial claim.

**19. Accommodation & Miscellaneous**

All teams will be accommodated at Scoica Land Resort and Marina Surf Club.

**20. Charter Boats**

There will be a few boats for charter on a first come first serve basis. For any other further details, please contact Mr. Liviu Doară by email at [liviuoara@gmail.com](mailto:liviuoara@gmail.com) or by phone at +40 722 285 577.

**21. Further Information**

For further information please do not hesitate to contact:

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FAIR WINDS AND HAPPY SAILING**