



ROMANIA CUP 2015 General Rules

In all sections the following abbreviations apply:

[NP] – Rules that are not grounds for protest by a boat.

[DP] – Rules for which the penalties are at the discretion of the Jury.

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA)

ROMANIA CUP 2015 will be organized by Black Sea Sailing Association, Romanian Royal Yacht Club and LifeHarbour Limanu.

2. RULES

2.1. **ROMANIA CUP 2015** shall be organized according to the following rules:

- a) ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS)
- b) IMS Rule
- c) ORC Rating System Rule.
- d) ISAF offshore special regulation

2.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

2.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3. ADVERTISING [DP]

Boats will display sponsorship advertising received from the organizing authority and will take care that these remain visible and attached on the boats in accordance with the sailing instructions provided by the OA at each regatta.

4. ELIGIBILITY [NP]

4.1 **ROMANIA CUP 2015** is open to all boats having a valid ORC certificate.

4.2 The division of the boats will be ORC-A and ORC-B. The boats will be divided in according to the GPH value:

Class ORC-A GPH \leq 670

Class ORC-B GPH $>$ 670

In a variation of max 2% from this value (GPH=670), participants can switch the category by request.

4.3 To be eligible, a yacht must be present at minim one of the regatta listed on point 6. In order for a yacht to fulfill its entry status in the regatta, it must start at least one of the scheduled races. The yachts present in the Class ORC – A (Racer category) with ORC –club certificate will be required to be weighed.

4.4 **Non-spinnaker rating:** OA does not intend to be used in the same class non-spinnaker boats vs. spinnaker boats. These are intended to be used when all the boats in a start/fleet are racing without spinnakers.

5. ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEE

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter by filling in an entry form posted on the competition's official website.
- 5.2 Entries have no fees, unless there is otherwise written in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Five (5) regattas are scheduled to be held on the following dates:
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| 29.05–01.06.2015 | Regata Regina Maria | Yacht Club Regal Roman |
| 19 – 21.06.2015 | Regata Poseidon | Black Sea Sailing Associations |
| 24 – 26.07.2015 | Regata Alpha Bank | LifeHarbour Limanu |
| 14 – 17.08.2015 | Regata Bricul Mircea | Yacht Club Regal Roman |
| 28 – 30.08.2015 | Regata Callatis | Black Sea Sailing Associations |
- 6.2 The Romania Cup 2015 is valid if at least 3 regattas are completed.

7. MEASUREMENTS

At any time throughout the series even whilst yachts are racing, sails and yachts shall be subject to scrutiny and to checks for compliance with the rules at the discretion of the Race Committee.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notices to competitor, competitors list, results and rankings will be posted on the official web site and on the notice board which will be situated on each regatta organizing place.

9. SCORING RULES [NP]

- 9.1 Only registered boats will be scored. Scoring is based on "boat name".
- 9.2 For the ORC Romania Cup 2015 regattas ranking the **HIGH-POINT PERCENTAGE scoring system** will apply. This changes rules RSS A4.1, A4.2, and A9.
- 9.2.1 Define 'R' to be the number of boats that came to the starting area in a particular race. A boat that came to the starting area but did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place than the number of boats that came to the starting area. A boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored 0 (zero) points.
- 9.2.2 The race score for each boat will be a percentage calculated without decimals as follows:
- Race Score = (R-P+1)/R*100**
- Where: **R** = the number of boats that came to the starting area
P = place in the race
- 9.3 All individual races from the regattas listed at point 6 are counted together.
- 9.4 The following scoring coefficients will apply:
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| Inshore Races: | scoring coefficient 1,00 |
| Offshore or Costal races: | scoring coefficient 1.20 |
- 9.5 When more than 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores excluding one inshore worst score and one offshore worst score.
- 9.6 The boat with the highest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.
- 9.7 Series ties will be broken using rule A8.

10. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors and crew members on the competing boats grant, at no cost, the Organizers and affiliated companies the unrestricted right and permission to use the name, voice and the images of yacht and crew themselves for any text, photograph or video footage, as well as representations of the boats published and/or broadcasted with any media (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

11. PRIZES

One trophy will be awarded to the winner of each class.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in **ROMANIA CUP 2015** entirely at their own risk. The Organizing Authority and any part involved in the organization disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing entry form. The attention of competitors is drawn to ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing.

13.FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information check the competition's official website www.romaniacup.ro .

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

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