

MINI BARCELONA 2024

18th to 23th September 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

The MINI BARCELONA 2024 regatta is organized by the Reial Club Marítim de Barcelona by delegation of Real Federación Española de Vela with the support of the 6.5 Mini Class and the Federació Catalana de Vela .

1 RULES

- 1.1 The MINI BARCELONA 2024 will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 [DP] Class Rules of the Mini Class.
- 1.3 (Mini Class) Safety Standards Level B SOLO. (See also Special Regulations of World Sailing Offshore Category 3 with life raft).
- 1.4 From the official time of sunset on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 September 2024 until the time of sunrise on Sunday 22 and Monday 23 September 2024, part 2 of the World Racing Rules of Sailing will be replaced by the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea, RIPAM.
- 1.5 The Prescriptions of the National Authority will not apply.
- 1.6 In the event of a discrepancy between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take priority (this modifies rule 63.7 of the RRS).
- 1.7 The official language of the regatta is Spanish. All communications will be in Spanish, and if possible, also in English.
- 1.8 The notation [NP] in a rule in the Notice or Sailing Instructions denotes a rule that will not be reason for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).
- 1.9 In World Sailing test rule DR21-01, change the “Start” definition as follows:
Start: A boat starts when its hull, having been completely on the pre-start side of the starting line, and having complied with rule 30.1 if applicable, any part of its hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the side of the route. any
 - (a) at or after the starting signal thereof, or
 - (b) during the last minute before his starting signal

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Competitors must comply with World Sailing Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code. All Spanish sailors with legal residence in Spain or who compete representing a Spanish Club must be in possession of the RFEV 2024 Sailing license.
- 2.2 The MINI BARCELONA 2024 is a SINGLE-HANDED regatta. All participants shall comply with the rules and regulations of the Classe Mini.
- 2.3 There is a limit of 35 participants for the 2024 edition. The order of payment will determine the first 35 entries.
- 2.4 All prototype boats shall produce a measurement certificate according with the Classe Mini. To get a boat measured, the owner / skipper must contact the Class Mini by phone 00.33.(0)954.54.83.18 or email contact@classemini.com.
- 2.5 Each boat must have valid civil liability insurance with a minimum coverage of at least €2,000,000 valid to participate in regattas.

2.6 Following the recommendations of World Sailing (March 1, 2022 and January 19, 2024) and the Higher Sports Council and the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation, the following are not eligible to participate in the regatta:

- a) ships whose owner or responsible person is a Russian or Belarusian national;
- b) ships flagged in Russia or Belarus or displaying nationality letters of those countries.

The organizing committee will communicate any variations on these recommendations that may occur in the future.

3 ADVERTISING [DP].

3.1 Advertising shall be established according to World Sailing Regulation 20.

4 ENTRIES

4.1 The entries period will be open from February 29, 2024. All entries received before will be considered corresponding to that date.

4.2 The deadline for the entry is September 10th, 2024

4.3 Eligible boats may make their entry by submitting the following documentation to the Reial Club Marítim de Barcelona:

- Entry form duly completed.
- A copy of the 3rd party liability insurance valid until the end of the race.
- Confirmation of the insurance payment.
- Disclaimer form with a copy of the passport or ID of the skipper.
- Proof of payment of the entry fees

These documents must be sent to the following email

Or by e-mail to regates@maritimbarcelona.org

4.4 Proof of payment of the Civil Liability policy established in section 2.5 of this Notice of race.

4.5 Entry fee:

Registration	300€
Tracker rental	125€
Total	425€

5 CANCELTATION POLICY

5.1 In case a boat decides to cancel its registration before August 18th, 2024, the full entry fee will be refunded. If this happens from August 18th until the September 8th, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded. From September 9th onwards, no entry fee will be refunded.

5.2 The OA (Organising Authority) has the right to postpone the race due to severe weather conditions, health restrictions or other unforeseen reasons:

- a) If the postponement is less than 24 hours, the entry fee won't be refunded.

b) If the postponement exceeds 24 hours, the entrants that cannot participate on the new dates can save the inscription for the next edition of the regatta or to request for a refund of the entry fee, via e-mail to the organisation, within the next 10 days after the communication of the new dates.

6 COURSE

6.1 The race will be sailed on the waters between Barcelona and Menorca Island:
Barcelona (start) – Weather mark (optional) – Menorca Island (to starboard) – Barcelona (finish)

The approximate length of the course will be 300 Nm.

6.2 There will be a checkpoint at the vicinity of “Isla del Aire”, at the South of Menorca Island.

6.3 The OA reserves the right to change or modify the course due to bad weather forecast or other unforeseen reasons.

6.4 The OA reserves the right to set forward the start a maximum of 24 hours due to bad weather forecast. In that case, it won't give the right to request for a refund of the entry fee. (See also 5.2 a))

6.5 NAUTICAL CHARTS: published by Instituto Hidrográfico de la Marina nº 49A, 489A and 436, or equivalents of any other institute.

7 SCHEDULE

18th September	09:00 - 19:00	Registration Equipment Inspections and Stamping
19th September	09:00 - 19:00	Registration Equipment Inspections and Stamping
20th September	09:00 - 18:00	Registration Equipment Inspections and Stamping
	18:30 20:00	Tracking System Briefing Safety Briefing
	20:30	Meteorologist / Forecast Briefing BARBACUE
21th September	9:00	Breakfast at the boat club
	10:00	Start of TOWING procedure
	12:00	Warning Signal
23th September	18:00	Closing party and Prize Giving Ceremony

8 ONB AND REGISTRATIONS

8.1 The online Official Notice Board is located at:

<https://maritimbarcelona.sailti.com/ca/default/races/race/text/regata-mini-barcelona-2024-ca>

8.2 Registration formalities shall be completed at Reial Club Marítim de Barcelona by 19:00h on September 20th

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

- 9.1 All boats are required to pass the equipment inspection before the start of the regatta, at the scheduled periods. No boat will start without clearance from the inspectors.
- 9.2 Boats will be inspected according to the Classe Mini B Level – Solo safety equipment.
- 9.3 Some equipment will be Stamping at the time of the inspection.
- 9.4 It'll be at the discretion of the inspectors to check the output signal of the VHF radio equipment. [NP]
- 9.5 The OA will send to all skippers a link to a calendar with slots for the inspections. *It will be the skipper's solely responsibility to schedule the inspection time by choosing one of the available slots.*

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

- 10.1 The SI will be available to the competitors upon final registration at the race office.

11 PENALTIES

11.1 Post-Race Penalty

- a) A boat that may have broken rule of RRS Part 2 or RRS 31 may, after finishing the race and before the start of a related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts a Post-Race Penalty — 30% scoring penalty in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). However, if the boat caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race by her breach of a rule, her penalty shall be to retire.
 - b) When a Post-Race Penalty is accepted:
 - (i) Neither the boat nor the protest committee may then revoke or remove the penalty.
 - (ii) The boat shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing when the protest committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules.
- 11.2 When a boat starts in accordance with point (b) of the Start definition, it may return to the side of the pre-start line to comply with point (a) of the Start definition (NOR 1.9), if it does not do so, the penalty will be 3 hours added to your time invested.
- 11.3 Penalties applied under RRS 64 for infringements of the rules, other than the RRS Parts 1, 2 and RRV 31, are at the discretion of the protest committee.

12 SCORING AND TROPHIES

- 12.1 The finishing position of each boat will be given by the time invested including time penalties if its applicable.
- 12.2 There will be a scoring for prototype boats and another for serie boats.
- 12.3 The trophies list will be published at the ONB no later than the start of the race.

13 [DP] COMUNICACION AND ELECTRONIC AIDS

- 13.1 Except in an emergency and in the communications with the Race Committee, a boat will not receive or make voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats. All types of electronic aids are NOT allowed, including radar, VOR, satellite. No external aid, assistance or information may be used during the Regatta.
- 13.2 .Boats are required to operate their Automatic Identification System (AIS) from the

time they approach the starting area until departing the finishing area following the race.

- 13.3 Communications between Race Committee and all Competitors shall be made by VHF radio. Competitor to competitor communications shall be made on VHF radio, channel to be advised.
- 13.4 The OA will supply all boats with trackers. There will be a briefing to explain the use of those devices.

14 MORINGS

- 14.1 All boats and skippers shall be available to the organisation from 09:00 h September 17th, 2024.
- 14.2 The registration price includes mooring costs from September 16, 2024 to September 24, 2024, both included.
- 14.3 Due to the America's Cup Celebration, we cannot offer the additional mooring service outside the free period.

15 IMAGE RIGHTS

- 15.1 The image rights of the MINI BARCELONA 2024 regatta are the exclusive property of the RCMB and the Real Federación Española de Vela.
- 15.2 The Teams and Participants grant RCMB, RFEV and their Sponsors the unrestricted right and permission to use the names and image in any text, photograph or video sequence of themselves or the boat they sail during the MINI BARCELONA 2024 to be published or disseminated in any media. (including, but not limited to, advertisements in the press and on television or on the Internet), whether for editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; In this regard, the names of the teams and participants and their biographical material may also be used or reproduced in any known way.

16 DISCLAIMER

- 16.1 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently carries an element of risk. Sailors participating in this regatta do so at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRV 3, Decision to Sailing. It is the sole responsibility of a boat to decide whether it participates in a race or continues racing. By taking part in this regatta each sailor .accept and acknowledge that:
- 16.2 They are aware of the element of inherent risk that the sport entails and accept responsibility for exposing themselves, their crew and their boat to such risk while participating in the race.
- 16.3 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and other property whether at sea or on land.
- 16.4 You accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by your own actions or omissions.
- 16.5 The provisions of the race committee, safety boats, judges and other officials as well as volunteers of the organization do not exempt them from their own responsibilities.
- 16.6 The provision of safety boats is limited to each assistance, especially in extreme weather conditions, as can occur practically in the circumstances.
- 16.7 It is your responsibility to familiarize yourself with any risks specific to this venue or this regatta by drawing your attention to any rules and information posted for the venue/regatta and to attend any venue/regatta safety meetings held during the event. All participants in this regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility.



17 CONTACT DETAILS & FURTHER INFORMATION

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