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Vela Clásica Menorca

XX COPA DEL REY
DE BARCOS DE ÉPOCA



NOTICE OF RACE



REPSOL



The regatta Vela Clásica Menorca – XX Copa del Rey de Barcos de Época, will be held between 27th and 31st August 2024, both inclusive, in Mahon (Menorca) waters.

The regatta is a qualifying event for:

- Mare Nostrum Classics Trophy – Spanish Cup of Classics (RFEV).
- The Mediterranean Champions Cup (Vintage & Classic Yacht Club).

The regatta is organized by the “Club Marítimo de Mahón (CMM)” by delegation of the “Real Federación Española de Vela (RFEV)” with the collaboration of the “Real Asociación Nacional de Cruceros (RANC)” and the “Federación Balear de Vela (FBV)”.

The Insular Council of Menorca, the City Council of Maó, the Fundació Foment del Turisme de Menorca and the Port Authority of the Balearic Islands also cooperate with the event.

In all rules governing this event the notation [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the following rules:
 - a. The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021- 2024 (RRS).
 - b. The CIM Rules for rating and racing of the Vintage and Classic boats and its annexes.
 - c. The CIM Rules for “Spirit of tradition” boats with RI certificate.
 - d. RANC RI Regulations.
 - e. The World Sailing special rules for offshore races category 4.
 - f. The 2024 RFEV Technical Regulations for Cruisers.

1.2. RRS 90.3(e) will apply.

1.3. Under World Sailing Test Rule DR21-01, change the definition Start as follows:

“Start A boat starts when her hull having been entirely on the pre-start 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

- g. At or after her starting signal, or
- h. During the last 30 seconds before her starting signal”

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, the starting penalty shall be 2% of her elapsed time added to it or at least 1 place, whichever is the greatest. »

1.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the Spanish text will take precedence.



2. ADVERTISING [NP][DP]

- 2.1. Boats displaying individual advertising must present the authorization of the relevant national authority, if applicable (WS regulation 20.2.3).
- 2.2. Event advertising will be required as follows (WS Regulation 20.4):

2.2.1. While the boats are at their assigned place in the marina, boats shall display their group identification flag and the event sponsor pennant on their backstay (or the starboard shroud if there is no backstay), more than 1.5 m. above the deck.

2.2.2. The flags and pennants shall be collected at the Race Office. A refundable deposit fee of 20 € will be charged.

An infringement of this rule will be penalized in accordance with WS Regulation 20.9.2.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. Competitors must comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
- 3.2. Competitors of Spanish nationality or legal residents in Spain or sailing in boats representing a Spanish club must be in possession of the Sailing Federation license for 2024.
- 3.3. Following the recommendations of World Sailing (1st March 2022 and 19th January 2024) and the Consejo Superior de Deportes (sports authority of the government of Spain) and the Real Federación Española de Vela (spanish member national authority), the Organizing Authority will not accept the participation in this event of:
 - a. boats whose owner or person in charge is a national from Russia or Belarus;
 - b. boats registered in Russia or Belarus or with a sail number from these countries.

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



4. COMPETING CLASSES

4.1. The regatta is open to boats of the following categories:

Category	Measurement Certificate	Characteristics
Vintage	CIM	CIM rules 2.1, 2.2 & 2.3
Classic	CIM	CIM rule 3.1 & 3.3
Spirit of Tradition	IRC o RI Classic	1) Boats so defined by the CIM * 2) Boats holding a valid RI Classic certificate issued by RANC.
Big Boats	CIM	Boats with a hull length of 23 meters or greater
Schooners	CIM	Boats rigged as schooner

* To be admitted into that category, boats must prove their approval by the CIM technical commission.

4.2. Categories Vintage and Classic will be divided into two groups following their rig type (gaff sail or Bermudian). A minimum of three entered and confirmed boats is required to form a group.

Exceptionally, this limit may be varied by the organizing committee.



5. ENTRIES

5.1. Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line form before August 1st, 2024 at 20.00 h. at:

www.velaclasicamenorca.com
E-mail: regatas@velaclasicamenorca.com

5.2. Entry fees are as follows:

Maximum Length (m.)	Entry fees	After 31st July
23 or more	730 €	830 €
20 up to 22,99	600 €	700 €
15 up to 19,99	530 €	630 €
12 up to 14,99	460 €	560 €
Less than 12	330 €	430 €

Payments must be made through the event website: www.velaclasicamenorca.com

5.3. Entries must be accompanied by the entry fees and the following documents:

- a. Copy of the CIM rating certificate for 2024.

A copy of the RI Classic certificate 2024 for "Spirit of Tradition" boats and approval document from the CIM technical committee.

- b. A photograph of the boat in rigged condition and a short history (if first participation)
- c. If applicable, authorisation of the relevant National Authority to display advertising.

5.4. Registration: competitors must confirm their inscription by registering at the race office before 19.00 hrs on Tuesday 27th August producing the following documents:

- d. Sail inventory form (Rule CIM 15).
- e. Crew list with ID card or passport number with contact information.
- f. For Spanish competitors or legally resident in Spain, the Sailing Federation license card valid for 2024.
- g. Copy of a valid third-party liability insurance policy with a minimum cover of 600.000 Euros per incident or the equivalent.
- h. The authorization of the relevant national authority -if required- to display individual advertising.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. The program will be as follows:

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
Tuesday, 27/08	9.00 to 14.00 and 15.00 to 19.00 19.00	Registration and inspections Skippers meeting	Race Office Club Marítimo
Wednesday, 28/08	12.30	First warning signal	Mahón/Menorca Waters
Thursday, 29/08	12.30	First warning signal	Mahón/Menorca Waters
Friday, 30/08	12.30	First warning signal	Mahón/Menorca Waters
Saturday, 31/08	12.30 19.30	First warning signal Awards Ceremony	Mahón/Menorca Waters Club Marítimo

6.2. Five (5) races are scheduled. No more than two (2) races will be sailed per day.

7. COURSES

- 7.1. This event will be type C “Coastal Course” according rule 18 CIM.
- 7.2. The courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions and may be located in the port of Mahón, its surroundings and waters of Menorca.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available for downloading on the event website, www.velaclasicamenorca.com, and a print copy may be collected at the race office from Tuesday 27.



9. INSPECTIONS AND MEASUREMENT

- 9.1. Safety and measurements inspections may be made, at the discretion of the technical committee, before, during and after the regatta.

10. SCORING SYSTEM

- 10.1. The RRS Appendix A Scoring System will apply.
- 10.2. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.4. Each category (or group if the category is divided) will be scored separately.

11. [NP][DP]SAFETY

- 11.1. All boats must carry on board a VHF radio with channel 16 and the assigned channels for the regatta.
- 11.2. It will be the responsibility of the owner or the person in charge on board of each boat to comply with the legal norms established for recreational boats, both in general and especially for their government, dispatch and safety.
- 11.3. The Club Marítimo de Mahón has civil liability Insurance against third parties. However, participants may complement them, as they deem appropriate (see S.I. 5.4.d).
- 11.4. The use of drones (RPAS) by crew members or support personnel is always prohibited in the facilities of the Club Marítimo de Mahón

12. TROPHIES

- 12.1. Trophies will be awarded to the first classified in the participating categories and groups.
- 12.2. Other trophies may be indicated in the Sailing Instructions or published on the official notice board (ONB).

13. BERTHS

- 13.1. Boats whose registration has been accepted for this regatta will have a mooring reserved free of charge, between August 26th 2024 (midday) and September 2th 2024 (midday).
- 13.2. Berths will be assigned by the organization. The moorings will be occupied under the full responsibility of the person in charge of each boat.

14. SOCIAL EVENTS

- 14.1. They will be indicated in the official program of the regatta as well as on the official notice board (ONB).

15. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 15.1. The media rights belong exclusively to the Club Marítimo de Mahón and to the Real Federación Española de Vela, and can be shared with the sponsors of these bodies.
- 15.2. Competitors grant the event's sponsors and organising authority the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the yacht they are sailing during the event, to be published or broadcasted in any media whatsoever (included Press, TV advertisements or Internet) for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information, in this respect competitors' name and biographical material may also be used or reproduced in any way known.
- 15.3. Competitors undertake not to do or allow any act of reproduction, public communication or any distribution of images of the race without previous authorisation from the Club Marítimo de Mahón and the Real Federación Española de Vela.
- 15.4. Any advertising action on the premises of the event or on the pontoons provided, other than those from the sponsor of the event, the clubs and the organizing committee; carried out by the participants, their sponsors or by persons, entities and organizations directly or indirectly linked to them; must have prior written authorization from the organization authority.

Non-compliance with this rule will result in the automatic disqualification from the competition

of the boat that responsible for the advertising infringement, without right to reimbursement of the regatta registration fee.

16. RISK STATEMENT

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 3 in Part 1 RRS, Decision to Race and rules 16.3 and 26 CIM, LIABILITY. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - 16.1.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
 - 16.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew and their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
 - 16.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - 16.1.4. By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate, and that comply with the regulations established for recreational boats, both in general and especially for their government, dispatch and safety.
 - 16.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
 - 16.1.6. The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances. The organizing authority not will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
 - 16.1.7. It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.



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