











XXVI REGATA MARE NOSTRUM

Spanish Solo and Two-Handed Sailing Championship

Category B race for mini-class 6.5

RACE ANNOUNCEMENT

This race is organised by the Garraf Sailing Club (Club Nàutic Garraf or CNG), under the care of Royal Spanish Sailing Federation (Real Federacion Española de Vela or RFEV) and the Solo Sailing Association (Associació de Navegants Solitaris or ANS) with the collaboration of the Catalan Sailing Federation (Federació Catalana de Vela or FCV).

The **XXVI REGATA MARE NOSTRUM** counts towards the Spanish Solo and Two-Handed Sailing Championship and Category B Race for Mini-Class 6.5.

The race is open to the following classes and categories:

- -ORC Solo-Handed Sail Cruisers
- -ORC Two-Handed Sail Cruisers
- -RI Solo-Handed Sail Cruisers
- -RI Two-Handed Sail Cruisers
- Two-Handed Monotypes Mini 6.5 (series and prototype)

1 LOCATION AND COURSE

The XXVI MARE NOSTRUM race will be held in the waters off Catalonia, the Balearic Islands and Valencia. Starting in clean waters of Puerto de Garraf, rounding all of the Balearic and Columbretes Islands (leaving

them on the starboard side) and finishing once again in the waters off Puerto de Garraf (approx. 550 miles "non stop").

2 RULES.

- 2.1 The event will be governed by:
- a) The Racing Rules of Sailing of the ISAF 2013 2016.
- b) The current ORC Measurement Rules
- c) The current RI Measurement Rules
- d) The Mini-Class 6.5 Rules
- **e)** The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (R.I.P.A.M.)
- f) The Special Rules for Offsore Racing of the Offshore Racing Council (O.R.C.) for races in Category 3, with life raft and distress radiobeacon.
- g) Royal Decree 62/2008 of 25 January 2008.
- h) This Race Announcement and the Race Instructions.

2.2 LANGUAGE OF THE RACE.

The official language of the race shall be Spanish. In the event of discrepancy between the announcements in different languages the announcement in Spanish shall prevail."

3 ADVERTISING.

- 3.1 Participants in the race may exhibit advertising in accordance with Regulation 20 of the ISAF.
- 3.2 In accordance with Regulation 20.3. d (i) of the RRS participants are required to exhibit a sticker, provided by the Organising Authority and with the logo indicated by the Organising Committee, on the front 20% of the hull on both sides of the boat.

4 ELIGIBILITY.

4.1 Participants must meet the conditions of eligibility set out in Regulation 19 of the ISAF.

5 PARTICIPANTS.

- 5.1 Boats with a valid ORC Measurement Certificate (for those taking part in the Spanish Solo and Double-Handed Championship) or with a valid RI Measurement Certificate for 2015 may participate in this race. Mini-Class 6.5 monotypes (series and prototypes) may also participate.
- 5.2 There are the following Classes:
- A Solo, 1 crew member, ORC measurement
- B Two-Handed, 2 crew members, ORC measurement
- C Solo, 1 crew member, RI measurement
- D Two-Handed, 2 crew members, RI measurement
- E Two-Handed Monotype Mini 6.5 Series
- F- Two-Handed Monotype Mini 6.5 Prototype

6 ENTRIES.

6.1 Application to register:

- 6.1.1 Entries must be made using the online format provided at $\underline{www.velacngarraf.com}$, before 3 July 2015 at 18:00 (deadline)
- 6.1.2 The entry fees for all classes are as follows:

- Solo:	without advertising:	240€
- Two-Handed:	with advertising:	290€
	without advertising:	290€
	with advertising:	340€

Boats with racers who hold a federation licence for C. N. Garraf or for the A.N.S. shall receive a subsidy from the Club of 50 €.

- 6.1.3 Entry fees shall be paid by way of the payment platform provided at www.velacngarraf.com
- 6.1.4 The Organising Committee reserves the right to accept entry applications received after the deadline, with a surcharge of 50% of the entry fee.
- 6.1.5 Once the entry is accepted the Organising Committee shall not be liable for any expenses arising out of not attending the XXVI REGATA MARE NOSTRUM.
- 6.1.6 Rating certificates shall not be accepted later than 18:00 on 7 July 2015 (amends rule 78.2 of the RRS).

6.2 Confirmation of entry

- 6.2.1 The owner or person in charge of each boat must register and sign the Registration Form personally in the Race Office before 18:00 on 7 July 2015.
- 6.2.2 Registration is subject to presentation before that time of the following documents:
- a) Valid ORC or RI measurement certificate for 2015.
- **b)** Current insurance policy covering public liability (damage to third parties and to property) or extension of public liability and third party damage coverage up to a minimum amount of 601,012 Euros.
- c) If advertising is exhibited, authorisation of the relevant National Authority for the exhibiting of advertising.
- **d)** Participants of Spanish nationality or legally residing in Spain or who compete in boats registered to a Spanish club must be holders of a federation sports licence for this year.
- e) List of crew members with passport or identity card number and contact telephone number on land and at sea.
- f) Life raft inspection certificate.
- **g)** Telephone number the boats will carry on board (except vessels of mini-class 6.5).

- h) Certificate of recognition for distress radiobeacon.
- i) Photocopy of seaworthiness certificate.
- j) Photocopy of captain's certificate.

All participants are informed of the Local Marina Regulations which provide:

"Royal Decree 62/2008 imposes safety conditions for navigation and human life at sea applicable to nautical sporting events".

Participants are warned before the beginning of the event that vessels may only participate if they are cleared by regulations to navigate in the waters in which the event will be held and if their captains are sufficiently qualified to manage them.

Participants must declare sufficiently in advance of the beginning of the event any insurance they hold including the risks covered and limits on liability in accordance with the Race Announcement, with coverage for taking part in nautical-sporting events"

7 PROGRAMME.

7.1 The programme is as follows:

DATE TIME EVENT

7 July 09:00 to 18:00 Opening of Race Office. Confirmation of entries

From 8 to

9 July 10:00 to 18:00 Sealing of motors Safety inspection

10 July 09:30 Participants' breakfast

10:30 Captains' meeting.12:30 h Towing of vessels.15:00 h Warning signal

17 July14:00 Lunch and Prize Ceremony

8 INVENTORY OF SAILS, INSPECTION AND MEASUREMENT.

8.1 No sails other than those referred to in the Class Regulation may be used in the race.

- 8.2 Safety and Measurement tests shall be carried out before and / or after the race.
- 8.3 Vessels taking part shall be available to the Organising Committee from 8 July at 10:00 for safety inspection and sealing of motors.

9 SCORING.

9.1 Appendix A and the Low Point System set out in rule A 4.1 of the RRS shall apply.

10 FINISHING ORDER.

10.1 There shall be a finishing order for each Class.

11 SAFETY.

- 11.1 The safety of this race shall be considered Category 3 in accordance with the current Special Rules for Offshore Racing with Life Raft and distress radiobeacon.
- 11.2 All boats must be equipped with a VHF radio with channels 16 and 72. They shall also carry a mobile telephone on board (except vessels of Mini-Class 6.5), the number of which they shall provide on entering.
- 11.3 Compliance with legal regulations for pleasure vessels, both of a general nature and specifically for their control, use and safety, shall be the responsibility of the owner or of the person in charge of each vessel.

12 TROPHIES.

Trophies shall be awarded to the top three boats in each category.

13 MOORING.

Boats accepted as entrants in this event shall have a mooring space reserved at the Club Nàutic Garraf from 4 July to 17 July 2015.

14 LIABILITY.

All those who take part in the race do so at their own risk.

The Organising Committee or any person or body involved in the organisation of the event disclaim all liability for any losses, damage, injury or nuisance which might be caused to persons or property, both on land and at sea, as a result of participation in the events covered by this race announcement.

Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4, DECISION TO RACE, of Part 1 of the RRS which provides:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

The Organising Committee

Garraf (Sitges), April 2015



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