



Club Vela Blanes

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European Championship

Blanes (Spain) January 1st / January 5th



INTERNATIONAL EUROPE CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority and Venue

- 1.1. The 2019 **Europe Class European Championship** will be held from 2nd to 5th January 2020 Blanes, Spain.
- 1.2. The Organizing Authority is Club Vela Blanes in conjunction with the IECU (International Europe Class Union), the support of AECIE (Spanish Europe Class Association) and with the approval of RFEV (Royal Spanish Sailing Federation - MNA).

2. Rules

- 2.1. The event will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in the RRS.
- 2.2. National prescriptions will not apply.
- 2.3. RRS Appendix P will be used.
- 2.4. The IECU Rules for Major Events will apply.
- 2.5. *Europe Class Rules*
- 2.6. Sailors and Coaches shall wear personal buoyancy aids at all moment when afloat.
- 2.7. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority as provided in World Sailing Regulation 20.4. If this Rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.8. Competitors are reminded of their obligations under RRS 77 and Appendix G.
- 2.9. Incidents involving Rules of part 2, or rule 31, may be subject to arbitration. Decisions from arbitration can be referred to the International Jury (IJ) but cannot be reopened or appealed.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1. World Sailing Eligibility as described in Regulation 19 is required for all competitors.
- 3.2. Only currently fully paid members of their National Europe Class Association may enter the regatta. The European Championship is an OPEN Championship with separate results for Men and Women divisions. The number of entries per nation is unlimited. Spanish competitors shall be in possession of the correspondent sailing licence.
- 3.3. Competitors under 18 of age shall present a signed and completed **parent (or guardian) consent** and declaration form at registration. The forms are available for download on the event website or at the Race Office.

4. Entries

- 4.1. Entries shall be done through the "Official Entry Form" on the event website at <https://www.cvblanes.cat/en/regattas/230>
Entries shall be made by individual sailors and must be sent and paid before **01/12/2019**.



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- 4.2. Entry fee is **140 €** per boat. The entry fee shall be paid by using the event web site
- 4.3. The Organizing Committee has the right to accept entries received after the date as stated in this NoR. If late entries are accepted, an extra payment of **50 €** will be required.
- 4.4. THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY MAY CANCEL THE EVENT IF THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF ENTRIES (50 entries) HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY MIDNIGHT 1st DECEMBER 2019. In that case, the Competitors will be notified by email and by posting the notice on the Website. All paid entry fees would be refunded.

5. Registration

- 5.1. Each competitor shall personally register and sign the registration form at the Race Office before 11:00 am on January 2nd 2020
- 5.2. On registration all participants will be required to show:
 - A valid Measurement Certificate as required by the Class Rules.
 - Evidence of a minimum third part liability insurance cover of 700.000.-€ or the equivalent per incident.
 - Spanish competitors: sailing licence

6. Race Office and Official Notice Board

- 6.1 The Race Office will be at the ground floor of the Sailing Club, and it will be open as stated on Point 9. EVENT SCHEDULE .
This timetable could be modified according to the event needs, and it should be announced on the Official Notice Board (ONB).
- 6.1. Official Notice Board will be located next to the Race Office entrance. Copies of notices and results will be available at the event web site.

7. Measurements

- 7.1. Each boat entered shall have a valid Measurement Certificate and Measurement Forms.
- 7.2. Each boat is required to fill Inspection Entry Form available at the event web site. This form has to be fulfilled and presented at the Registration.
- 7.3. At all times the Technical Committee may require boats for inspection, as described in the Sailing Instructions. Boats shall be presented fully rigged with all control lines in position.
- 7.4. Buoyancy, wet clothing, measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Class Representative, Race Committee, Technical Committee or the International Jury.

8. Boats and Equipment

- 8.1. All competitors may enter not more than one hull, two sails, one mast, one boom, one centreboard, one rudder and one rudder head.
- 8.2. In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the Race Committee. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal



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permission shall be given to the Race Committee, International Jury or Equipment Inspectors. The written permission shall be applied for before the end of Protest Time at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.

9. Event Schedule

9.1. European Championship Event Schedule

Date	Event	Time	Location/remarks
Wednesday, 1 st January	Registration	10:00 hrs.-13:00hrs	Race Office
Thursday, 2 nd January	Registration First Warning Signal	08:30 – 11:00 hrs. 1300 hrs.	2 Races scheduled
Friday, 3 rd January	First Warning Signal Lunch	09:00 hrs. Next	Races
Saturday, 4 th January	First Warning Signal Lunch	09:00 hrs. Next	Races
Sunday, 5 th January	First Warning Signal Lunch Prize Giving Ceremony	09:00 hrs. Next. 16:00 estimated	Races

9.2. On Sunday 5th January no warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs, except as a result of a General Recall.

9.3. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to change the schedules.

10. Competition and Racing Format

10.1. **European Championship:** Ten (10) fleet races are scheduled.

10.2. No more than 3 races will be sailed per day.

11. Sailing Instructions

11.1. The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available at event web site prior to registration dates.

To avoid wasting paper and collaborate with the environment, CVB will appreciate if SI could be read from electronic supports and before to come at the venue.

Copies of Sailing Instructions will be available at the Race Office during the registration, but only if they are requested under a reasonable justification.

12. Racing Area

12.1. The race-course area will be in front of CVB (see Attachment “A”)

13. Courses

13.1. Trapezoid courses with inner and outer loop will be used

13.2. Target time will be 50 minutes per race.

13.3. Time Limit for the first boat will be 90 minutes.

14. Scoring

14.1. **European Championship:** Three (3) races are required to constitute the series





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14.2. The Championship will comprise of two separate rankings, one for Men and one for Women. The rankings will be extracted from the Overall Open Scoring.

14.3. Discards:

- When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be total of her race scores.
- When 4 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of race scores excluding her worst score.
- When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her scores excluding her 2 worst scores.

15. International Jury

15.1. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

15.2. Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

16. Prizes

16.1. **European Championship:** The first qualified in the Men and Women Ranking will be the European Champions and will receive a Gold medal each; the seconds will receive a Silver medal each and the thirds will receive a Bronze medal each. Positions from 4th till 10th for Men and Women will be awarded. The Organizing Authority has the right to award more prizes according to the sponsor's agreements.

17. Insurance

17.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 700.000.-€ or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.

18. Support Boats, Personnel and Identification

18.1. All support boats (boats with support persons on board as defined by the RRS) must be registered at the event web site and will be required to comply with current Maritime Authority legislation, event support boat regulations and Sailing Instructions.

18.2. The registration fee is 75.-€. The entry fee includes launching of coach boat, mooring during the event and free access to the harbour facilities, changing rooms and social events (same rights than the sailors). Entry fee must be paid through the same event web site (coach registration option).

18.3. All support boats must be required to confirm their participation at the Race Office during the registration timetable. They will be required to present a third-party liability Insurance of the coach boat and licence to drive the boat.

18.4. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

18.5. Support boats must display their national flag or their national letters as described in RRS Appendix G. Minimum size of the identification is 40 cm x 50 cm. The identification must be



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clearly visible on both sides of the boat. National letters on the cover of an outboard engine will be accepted provided these letters are in clear contrast to the colour of the cover.

- 18.6. The Organizing Authority may request support boats to display additional markers or flags.
- 18.7. Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need according to the procedures that will be described at Sailing Instructions. In the event of an emergency the Race Committee may request support boats for their assistance.
- 18.8. Due to safety reasons all persons aboard support boats shall comply with class rule 5. (a).
- 18.9. All support boat shall be equipped by a VHF marine radio operative at the official radio channel that will be published at the Sailing Instructions, the appropriate safety individual buoyancy (lifejackets), and fitted with operative kill cords, which shall be used at all times when afloat. Radio communications procedures will be described in the SI.

19. Berthing

- 19.1. Boats shall only be kept in the assigned places while ashore due to is part of the safety protocol.

20. Media Rights & Consent - Rights to use Names & Likenesses

- 20.1. The Organizing Authority holds all media rights to any motion pictures, still photographs, live or taped film or video on television and/or other media showing any competitor during the regatta as well as content use in any media for either editorial, press or advertising purposes without compensation.
- 20.2. Competitors automatically grant the Organizing Authority and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.
- 20.3. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.
- 20.4. All competitors may be required to attend a media press at any time while not racing and may be required for interviews.

21. Trailer Parking and Cars

- 21.1. All participants shall park their road-trailers, with or without boat, in the designated areas on the premises of the harbour, and according to the marina staff instructions.
- 21.2. Cars shall be parked in the designated parking areas. More information will be available at the event web site closer to the event dates.

22. Risk Statement

- 22.1. Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:



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- 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;
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

23. Changes to the Notice of Race

23.1. The Organizing Authority may change the Notice of Race; see RRS 89.2(a). Any such changes will be posted on the event website.

24. Contact details and information

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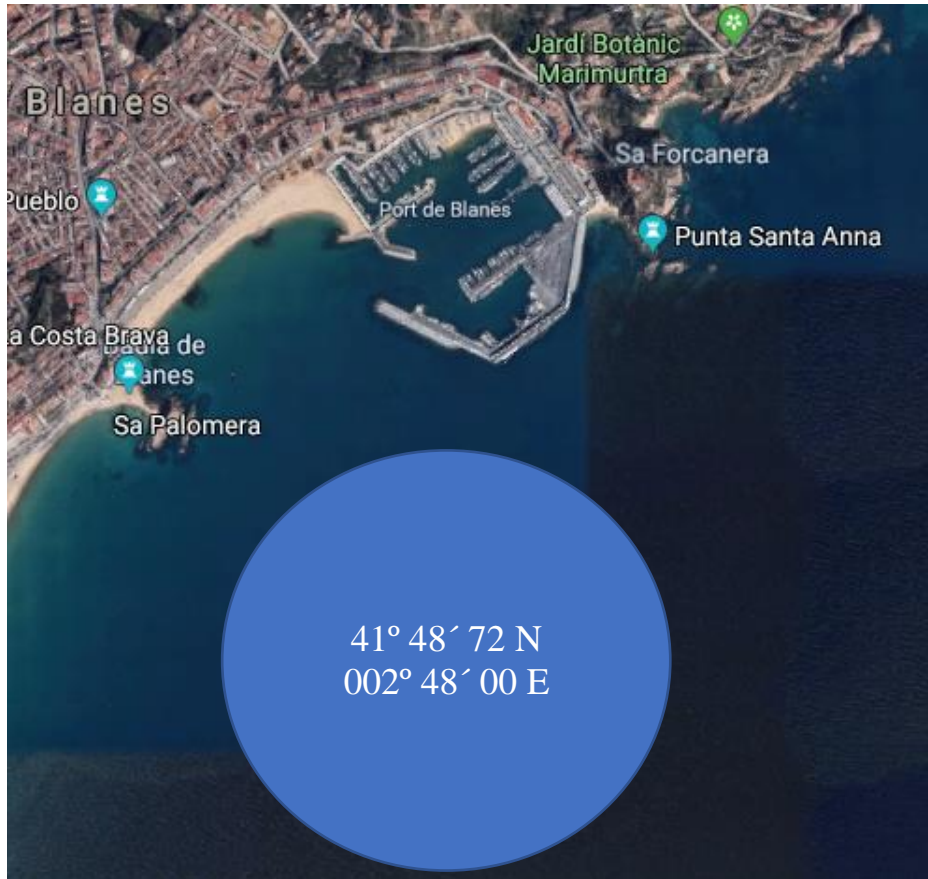
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ATTACHMENT "A"

MAPS, RACING AREA and VENUE FACILITIES




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