ORC Championship Rules
Standard Notice of Race
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ORC Championship Checklist

2019
ORC Championship Rules

1 Authority

The Offshore Racing Congress (ORC) is the international authority recognised by the World Sailing as the sole authority to administer the International Measurement System (IMS), the ORC Rating Systems (ORC International and ORC Club), the ORC Grand Prix Classes Rules and the co-related regulations, measurement and classes.

2 Championships

2.1 The ORC has overall authority on the World and Continental Championships as follows:
- The Offshore Team World Championship
- The ORC International Championships
- The Championships of the ORC classes.

The Offshore Team World Championship is open to National Teams to be proposed by the organizing authority from time to time and approved by the ORC Offshore & Classes Events Committee.

2.2 Except for the Offshore Team World Championship which is held biennially, World and Continental Championships will be held annually in accordance with these Championship Rules, using the ORC Standard Notice of Race, the ORC Standard Sailing Instructions and relevant class rules whenever necessary.

2.3 ORC may approve regional championships where participation of boats from a specific region and other neighbouring countries is expected. The use of these Championship Rules is strongly recommended for regional and national championships.

3 Applications for Hosting Championships

3.1 Applications to host Championship events shall be received by ORC not later than one month before the date of the Offshore Classes and Events meeting at the AGM. The application shall be related to the championship to be organized during the second year after the AGM. It shall be from the host organization, preferably with the endorsement of their National Authority. Furthermore, it is strongly suggested that applicants who are contemplating the possibility of hosting future events make their intentions known to the ORC three years in advance.

3.2 The application shall include the name of the Organizing Authority (OA) and the following information:
   a) OA’s history of organizing past major events
   b) A best estimate of the number of entries and countries expected
   c) The maximum number of yachts that can be accommodated at the venue.
   d) Suitability of shoreside facilities as follows:
      - Adequate space to measure sails and conduct other measurement controls, including a well-protected area to measure freeboards and perform inclining tests as needed
      - Haul-out facilities
      - Accommodation and housing information, such as hotel and real estate agency options
      - Confirmation that suitable accommodation (eg, minimum 3-star) will be provided by the OA for the Race Committee, the Jury and all other principal Committee members (eg, accommodation should include meals, local transport, broadband internet connection, etc.)
- Office space for the Race Committee, Measurers, Jury and arbitration meetings, and a Media Center with restricted access, suitable working space for all accredited media members and staff, broadband internet connection, etc.
- Availability of suitable Boats for the Race Committee, including mark set boats, Jury and Measurement Committee boats, and media boats for photographers and videographers.

e) Charts identifying suitable inshore and offshore racing areas.

f) Availability of commercial shoreside facilities for competitors, including restaurants and marine equipment and support services, sail repair service plan, support vehicle parking plan, security, etc.

g) Outline of the hosting authority’s financial plans for the event, any potential sponsors, and periodic updates on the financial status of the event. The organizers should also collaborate with ORC on the entry fee amounts and deadline for entry schedule, with an emphasis placed on encouraging early entry commitments from competitors.

h) Report on the local active racing fleet that may be qualifying for the Championship.

i) Plans for the promotion, marketing and media relations for the event.

j) Any special features or innovations that will enhance the attraction and unique nature of the venue, format and/or character of the event.

The application shall provide written answers to the questions shown above in 3.2 (a) – (j), and Appendix 1 - the Championship Checklist - should be used by both parties to monitor progress on key features of the event. The application should include detailed materials to provide a full description of the venue and its facilities. A pre-approval visit from an ORC representative may be necessary, to which the OA shall provide a complete tour of the proposed venue and a meeting with the principal Committee members.

The application shall clearly state the OA’s acceptance of the obligations imposed by these regulations and its commitment to conduct the Championship in full conformity with such regulations, by signature of the senior officer of the organization.

3.3 In approving an event venue, the ORC will take into account the geographical location in the context of other scheduled events. Once approved, a Letter of Agreement will be drafted and signed by the ORC and the hosting authority to outline the terms of their cooperation for the event.

4 Organization of the Championship

4.1 With the consultation and approval of the ORC, the OA shall make the initial appointments for members of the Race Committee, International Jury and Technical Committee. The Principal Race Officer, International Jury Chairman and Technical Committee Chairman shall have suitable experience with use of IMS, ORC Rating Systems and offshore racing.

4.2 ORC Approval

It is expected that the OA work closely with ORC to meet the expectations outlined in Section 3 above in order to maximise the success of the event. Moreover, a list of all committee members shall be submitted for the approval of ORC at least six months prior to the event unless agreed otherwise. The ORC retains the right to request personnel additions or replacements as it deems necessary to maximize the success of the event.

4.3 Official language

The official language shall be English. All senior officers, including the Race Committee, International Jury and Technical Committee shall be fluent in English, with all announcements and briefings in that language. Local language communications are permitted, but when offered are not official.
4.4 International Jury

The International Jury shall include an ORC Representative and shall conform to RRS Appendix N. A majority of Jury members including the Chairman and the ORC Representative shall be present from the first day of measurement and inspection. Should there be a difference of opinion regarding the interpretation, definition or intent of any rules and/or regulations, then the query shall be referred to the International Jury, whose ruling on the interpretation, definition or ruling on the intent of that rule or regulation shall be final and not subject to appeal.

4.5 ORC Representatives

In order to ensure the consistent quality and integrity of ORC Championship events, the ORC shall, in agreement with the OA, appoint a team of ORC members to be present as part of the Race Committee, International Jury, Measurement Committee, Media and Organizing Committees (if any) for each ORC championship. The ORC representatives shall have the right to consult with and advise each Committee prior to and during the event. These ORC representatives on site shall report to the ORC Management Committee at its next meeting after the championship with an account of the conduct of the event and with any recommendations or relevant observations to evaluate the event and help improve future ORC championships. The costs for travel, accommodation and meals for ORC representatives during the championship shall be covered by the OA.

4.6 Technical Committee and measurement checks

a) Technical Committee shall have suitable number of measurers for the number of entered boats (6 members for up to 40 boats, 8 members for 40 – 60 boats, 10 members for 60 – 80 boats, 12 members for more than 80 boats). Members shall be from at least three different countries.

b) Pre-race measurements checks shall include:
   i) Sail measurements checks and stamping
   ii) Safety equipment check
   iii) Measurement inventory check

c) Post-race measurement checks shall include:
   i) Flotation and stability checks
   ii) Crew weight checks
   iii) Sail measurements check

Based on the results in each class as follows:

**Offshore race**

- Ashore: safety equipment and use of sails among randomly selected top three boats in elapsed time in each class

**Inshore races**

- On the water: top two boats in each class after each race
- Ashore: freeboards and/or stability for 1st boat in the latest available overall results
- Ashore: crew weighing for 2nd boat in the latest available overall results
- Ashore: sail measurements check for 3rd boat in the latest available overall results

These measurement control criteria shall be applied in each of the following days except that the same boat need not be checked twice for the same item. In this case a different check may be scheduled for that boat and if needed boats placed 4th, 5th, 6th etc. will be selected for the check.

Independently from its results, any boat can be checked upon a measurement protest or by the choice of the Measurement Committee.
d) An official calibrated scale shall be made available to the crews before the start of the races and to the Technical committee during the races.

4.7 Notice of Race

At a minimum of six months before the first day of the championship, the OA will publish the Notice of Race. The standard Notice of Race as found in the Appendix of these championship rules shall be used. Prior to publication, a draft and any modifications to the standard Notice of Race shall be approved by the ORC. The final version and any amendments shall be posted on the event website as soon as they are approved.

4.8 Sailing Instructions

The standard Sailing Instructions as found in the Appendix of these championship rules shall be used. Prior to publication a draft and any modifications must be approved by the ORC. Copies shall be provided to the International Jury and all committee chairmen prior to their arrival at the event. Copies for competitors shall be available upon their arrival at the event, with the final version and any amendments posted on the event website.

4.9 Website and digital information

The OA shall provide a suitable and functional website (preferably with its own URL that includes the year and name of the event) where all administrative and promotional materials can be accessed before, during and after the event. The details of the functions and structure of the site shall be agreed with ORC so that it has maximum efficiency to provide access to news and information in the most clear and efficient manner possible. The site may be in the local language, but it shall also have all official materials in available in English (see 4.3). For all international ORC Championships, there shall be a complete English version of the event website, with all information provided in English.

The site shall have a digital-based entry system where the entry list can be shown on the site, and includes country affiliation, sail number, boat type, owner name, skipper name, and approximate rating. A digital crew list system shall also be provided, where crew member names and their World Sailing Sailor ID’s are provided, and for Corinthian Trophy entries their World Sailing Classification group status. Crew lists need not be in public view (eg, only accessible through a log-in access), but shall be made available to ORC and World Sailing for verification purposes. Additional entry information, such as a boat photo, team and/or skipper biography, and past race results are encouraged.

There should be protest hearing scheduling system for the jury and online notice board with possibility to contact all competitors and relevant committees.

All official documents shall be posted on the website as soon as they are available, preferably in html or pdf format. Race results shall also be posted online as soon as available, even if provisional and subject to revision after any protests. ORC Scorer software shall be used providing results available quickly and distributed as widely as possible.

4.10 Tracking

To help race organizers properly plan and manage offshore races and to help build media and sponsor value for the event, it is recommended that a tracking system be used for all boats entered in an ORC Championship event. This system should be able to communicate and display boat position and speed data to the OA, and in turn be made publicly available on the internet.

4.11 Marketing, promotion and media coverage

The OA shall work with ORC for the marketing and promotion of any ORC Championship event with the intent to maximize its international exposure and prominence. This includes providing advanced news-updates in English and the local language for posting on the ORC website.
During the event, and with help from ORC, daily summaries in English shall be provided and distributed by the OA, along with appropriate copyright-free photos from races and related events, such as the opening ceremonies, prize giving, etc. These shall be updated daily on the event website. Social media channels shall also be provided with content updated by the event media team prior to and during the event.

5 Disclaimer

The ORC, including its committees and representatives, has provided these rules and recommendations in the interest of sailors, but on the understanding that it cannot be held responsible for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience arising from its policies and rulings.
On separate lines insert the full name of the regatta, the inclusive dates from measurement until the final day and closing ceremony, the country, the region if applicable, a city or town, and the name of the sailing waters.

1 Organizing Authority

The [insert class and championship] is organized by the [insert hosting authority] in conjunction with [insert co-organizer, if any] under the authority of [insert name of National Sailing Federation] and under the overall authority of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC).

2 Rules

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2.2 The following rules will also apply:

   a) IMS Rule

   b) ORC Rating Systems Rule

   c) [insert class] Class Rules [for ORC Classes]

   d) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (Category shall be decided by the OA and ORC)

2.3 No national authority prescription will apply (exceptions can be made only to the rules applying to the sailors form the host country, i.e. national sailing licence)

2.4 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:

   a) All sails shall have been measured and stamped by an ORC measurer. During the pre-race equipment inspection, sails will be marked for the event by stamp, sticker and/or inspector’s signature.

   b) The maximum number of sails shall be as defined in ORC Rule 206 with one additional mainsail allowed. The second mainsail shall have a minimum of one set of reef points. The mainsails may be interchangeable.

   c) With the exception of the second mainsail all sails shall be aboard while racing.

   d) Sails damaged during the series may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee

   (Note: 2.4 is mandatory for the ORC championships and optional for other events)

2.5 Minimum crew weight as defined in ORC Rules 102.3 and 200.1(b) shall apply.

2.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
3 Advertising

World Sailing Advertising Code will apply. Competitors & Boats advertising will be without restriction. Event Advertising by the Organizing Authority will be:

- bow numbers with advertisement which have to be displayed as forward as possible on both sides of the first 20% of the hull
- advertisement to be displayed on both sides of the foremost 20% of the mainsail boom
- sponsor’s flag that has to be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.

The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras, position devices, and guest riders whose on-board position restrictions are defined in the Sailing Instructions.

[exclude any of event advertising if not used]

4 Eligibility and Classes

4.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code.

4.2 The regatta is open to all boats with valid ORC International certificate with $8.6 < \text{CDL} \leq 16.5$ complying with [insert class for class events] rules. The flotation date on an ORC International Certificate shall not be earlier than [insert date which shall be 5 years prior the start of the championship].

4.3 Classes are defined by the CDL and the minimum and maximum number of entries as follows:

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<th>Class</th>
<th>CDL Range</th>
<th>Max Entries (30 from one country)</th>
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<td>$16.500 \geq \text{CDL} &gt; 11.620$</td>
<td>max. 50 entries</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>$11.620 \geq \text{CDL} &gt; 9.800$</td>
<td>max. 50 entries</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>$9.800 \geq \text{CDL} &gt; 8.600^{**}$</td>
<td>max. 50 entries</td>
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Note: * The maximum number of entries per class may be agreed between the organizer and the ORC. In cases where the number agreed is over 50, a racing format with gold and silver divisions may be devised.

** Lower limit of CDL may be agreed with ORC’s permission

To assign a World Champion title in a class the number of boats plus the number of countries shall be not less than 14. If the minimum number of boats in a class is not met, that class can be grouped with the closest class. In this case, only one Championship title will be assigned to the combined classes.

The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country they are representing. "National" is defined as either the holder of a passport or identity card, or a similar document stating residential status in the country represented.

Classes will have separate starts and separate results.

4.4 Eligible boats may pre-register until [insert date which shall be one month to the start of the championship] by completing the on-line registration form at [insert website] and sending the copy of the [insert ORC International or ORC Class certificate] to:

[insert organizer]
[insert address]
[insert telephone number (including country and area codes)]
[insert E-mail address]

4.5 A boat is considered pre-registered if the following documents are received:

a) Completed and signed entry form
b) Last valid [insert ORC International or ORC Class] certificate.
c) Entry fee payment confirmation

The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event’s website upon receipt of each new entry.
4.6 If less than 50 boats in total and less than 30 boats from one country are pre-registered in a class before [insert date which shall be one month to the start of the championship] all pre-registered boats will be accepted as final entries and additional entries will be allowed until the maximum number of entries as defined in NoR 4.3 is reached, but not later than [insert date which shall be two weeks before the start of the championship].

4.7 If more than 50 boats in total or more than 30 boats from one country are pre-registered in a class before [insert date which shall be one month to the start of the championship] final entries will be accepted by the organizer’s discretion in agreement with the ORC by considering:

a) international representation of the fleet
b) boat’s and skipper’s racing record, particularly in previous ORC Championships
c) chronological order in which boats are pre-registered

The final list of accepted entries will be published on the event’s website at [insert date which shall be one month to the start of the championship]. Pre-registered boats whose entry is not accepted will be listed on the “waiting list” and can replace any of the accepted boats that cancel their participation before the start of the championship. The entry fee received from any boat whose entry is not accepted will be re-funded.

5 Entry Fee

5.1 The entry fee of [insert entry fee which may vary in amounts based on class and date of payment] per boat shall be [insert acceptable methods of payment] forwarded to

[insert bank details]

5.2 The organizer is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat’s registration.

5.3 Late entries may be accepted at organizer’s discretion [insert restrictions].

6 Corinthian Division and Trophy

For the Corinthian Division and Trophy, the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 shall apply and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 classification. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website: www.sailing.org/classification.

The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be [insert date which shall be no later than 10 days prior to the start of registration]. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the classification and World Sailing Sailor ID for each crew. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta. Late entries and incomplete entries cannot be considered for this division.

Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member including a valid World Sailing Sailor ID must be submitted to the Organizing Authority for their approval [and for the approval of the International Jury]. All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board or website as soon as possible after the Registration deadline.

Note: A representative of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks. Competitors shall attend interviews with the Commission when requested to do so. Competitors are reminded that the Commission has the power to change a classification at the event with no prior notice. Any changes are effective immediately.
7 Registration

7.1 Each Owner or Skipper must personally register in the Race Office located in [insert location], from [insert date and time] until [insert date and time].

7.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration:

a) Valid [insert ORC International or Class] certificate issued before [insert date and time]

b) Valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of [insert amount]

c) If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority permission

d) Crew list with name, surname, [World Sailing Sailors Classification Code and World Sailing Sailor ID - insert when applies] and weight for each crew member

e) Contact phone number both on boat and land, including the name of the contact person

f) Liability acceptance form, duly filled out and signed

This changes RRS 78.2.

7.3 No changes shall be made on ORC International certificates after [insert date and time] unless prescribed and approved by the Technical Committee before or during the pre-race equipment inspection and before the start of the first race.

7.4 Crew lists may be amended up to [insert date and time] by filling a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the International Jury that may delegate this responsibility to the race committee.

7.5 The time limit for a protest by a boat regarding the World Sailing’s Sailors Classification Code is [insert date and time which shall be no later than at the end of the first day's racing]. This changes RRS 61.3.

8 Schedule

8.1 Day 1, [insert date] - Registration and measurement

Day 2, [insert date] - Registration and measurement

Day 3, [insert date] - Registration and measurement, Practice Race, opening ceremony

Day 4, [insert date] - long offshore race

Day 5, [insert date] - long offshore races continued

Day 6, [insert date] - inshore race(s)

Day 7, [insert date] - inshore race(s)

Day 8, [insert date] - short offshore race

Day 9, [insert date] - inshore race(s), closing ceremony

Note: For Continental Championships, this schedule may be shortened with agreement of the ORC to not less than 6 days including two days of measurement, one day for the offshore race and rest of the days for inshore races

Approximate duration of the long offshore race will be 30-36 hours for the slowest boat, while for the short offshore race this will 10-12 hours for the slowest boat. Inshore races will be of approximately 1 to 1.5 hours duration. The schedule may be changed depending on the wind conditions.

Note: For Continental Championships where a shortened schedule as defined above is used: One offshore race of approximately 10-12 hours, for the slowest boat, shall be conducted. Inshore races will be of approximately 1 to 1.5 hours duration.

8.2 Eight races are scheduled including two offshore races and six inshore races. Inshore races will be windward/leeward races, except where unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course, then the International Jury may give permission to sail a substitute course.

For Continental Championships where a shortened schedule as defined above is used: Seven races are scheduled including one offshore race and six inshore races.
8.3 The championship is valid if at least 4 inshore races and 1 offshore race or at least 3 inshore races and 2 offshore races are completed. Offshore races shall be not be discarded and 1 discard will be allowed on inshore races if 5 or 6 inshore races are completed.

*Note: For Continental Championships where a shortened schedule as defined above is used: The championship is valid if at least 3 inshore races and the offshore race are completed. One discard will be allowed if 5 races are completed.*

9 **Measurement**

Pre-race measurement checks will take place from [insert date and time] until [insert date and time]. Booking of time slots for inspections by the boats will be available through the online system from [insert date which shall be one week before the start of the championship]. Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

10 **Sailing Instructions**

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities.

11 **Scoring**

11.1 Windward/leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by [insert scoring method].

11.2 Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by [insert scoring method].

12 **International Jury**

An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b) and Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury will be final according to the RRS 70.5.

13 **Support boats**

All support boats shall be registered at the race office. Identification numbers will be provided by the organizer. These numbers must be visible at all times.

14 **Nautical charts**

The following nautical charts of the [insert issuing authority] are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: [insert chart numbers].

15 **Berthing**

[insert description of berthing and conditions for use]. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

16 **Haul-out Restrictions**

From 9.00 hrs of the first scheduled day of registration until the end of the last scheduled race of the series boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the International Jury. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted. Appendages shall not be removed from the boat during the series.
17 Registration of arrival
[insert rules or regulations of registering foreign boats coming to regatta, if any].

18 Media rights
Competitors, owners and their guests grant absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

19 Communication
Except in emergency or when communicating with the Race Committee, a boat that is racing, shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

20 Trophies and Prizes
[insert list of trophies and prizes including Corinthian and Owner/Driver trophies when applied, together with their respective requirements].

21 Disclaimer of Liability
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, [insert club], [insert national sailing federation], ORC and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.

22 Insurance
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of [insert amount] per event. Regardless, it is the responsibility of the owners to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third-Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

23 Further information
For further information, please contact [insert details].

In addition to this Notice of Race, the event organizer shall also supply the following documents:

- Entry Form
- A list of accommodation possibilities with addresses, telephone and fax numbers, E-mail and/or website addresses, including prices where available
- A list of the nearest international airports
- A map or brochure of the venue
- A schedule of social events to be held during the Championship
Part 1 - General

1 Organizing Authority

The [insert class and championship] is organized by the [insert hosting authority] in conjunction with [insert co-organizer, if any] under the authority of [insert name of National Sailing Federation] and under the overall authority of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC) and the World Sailing (WS).

2 Rules

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2.2 The following rules will also apply:
   a) IMS Rule
   b) ORC Rating Systems Rule
   c) [insert class] Class Rules [for ORC Classes]
   d) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations
      (except for Sportboats, all races will be Category 3 (with or without the liferaft aboard – to be decided by the OA and ORC). For Sportboats, ORC Sportboat Class Rules will apply).

2.3 No national authority prescription will apply (exceptions can be made only to the rules applying to the sailors form the host country, i.e. national sailing licence)

2.4 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
   a) All sails shall have been measured and stamped by an ORC measurer. During the pre-race equipment inspection, sails will be marked for the event by stamp, sticker and/or inspector’s signature.
   b) The maximum number of sails shall be as defined in ORC Rule 206 with one additional mainsail allowed. The second mainsail shall have a minimum of one set of reef points. The mainsails may be interchangeable.
   c) With the exception of the second mainsail all sails shall be aboard while racing.
   d) Sails damaged during the series may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee.

(Note: 2.4 is mandatory for the ORC championships and optional for other events)

2.5 Minimum crew weight as defined in ORC Rules 102.3 and 200.1(b) shall apply.

2.6 A breach of RRS 48.2 or RRS 49.2 shall not be ground for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

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

2.7 Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing is replaced by Part B of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea from [insert date and time] to [insert date and time] local time.

2.8 Appendix 1 of these SI shall apply for the bow numbers. Protests on the bow numbers can be lodged only by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
3 Classes

3.1 Boats will be divided in Classes according to the Notice of Race requirements as follows:

Class A: \(16.500 \geq CDL > 11.620\)
Class B: \(11.620 \geq CDL > 9.800\)
Class C: \(9.820 \geq CDL > 8.600\)

Classes will have separate starts and separate results.

3.2 Any change to CDL after applying ORC rule 305.2(b) shall not change the class that boat originally entered.

4 Notices to competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at [insert location(s)]. Notices will also be posted on the event website. Failure or delay to post the notice on the event website will not be ground for request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

5 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not later than [insert time] before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by [insert time] hours on the day before it will take effect.

6 Signals made ashore

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at [insert location].

6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than [insert number] minutes' in race signal AP. This changes race signal AP.

7 Schedule of races

(Conforming to paragraph 8 of the NoR)

7.1 Times of the first warning signals are defined as follows:

[insert day] [insert date] [insert time] [insert type of race (inshore or offshore)]
[insert day] [insert date] [insert time] [insert type of race (inshore or offshore)]

etc …

The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee reserves the right to modify the above programme according to weather conditions and/or other unforeseen reasons.

7.2 Eight races are scheduled including two offshore races and six inshore races

Note: For Continental or Regional Championships where a shortened schedule is used:

Seven races are scheduled including one offshore race and six inshore races.

7.3 There will be no more than [insert number, when appropriate] races per day. Flag [insert flag] displayed on the Finishing line means “There will be one more race after the one in progress.” The Warning signal for the next race will be given one minute after lowering flag [insert flag] with one sound.

7.4 On the last day of regatta no warning signal will be given after [insert time] unless it follows signal of general recall or postponement (Flag AP) of a race whose first warning signal had been made before [insert time].
8  **Class flag**

The Class flag(s) will be [insert flag].

9  **The Start**

9.1 Races will be started in the following class order: [insert class], [insert class]. The Warning signal of the following class will be displayed at the earliest at the starting signal for the previous class, and may also be given while other classes are still racing.

*(use this SI only if the fleet is divided in more classes)*.

9.2 A boat starting later than [insert number] minutes in the inshore races and [insert number] minutes in the offshore race(s) after her Start signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4.1.

9.3 After signalling an individual recall, the race committee will attempt to broadcast the sail number, bow number or name of boat that has not started and is identified as OCS on VHF channel [insert number]. Delay in the radio broadcast of these calls, or the order in which they are made, or any omission or failure in the emission or reception of these, will not be grounds for a request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

10  **Penalty system**

10.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 while outside a Zone will be One-Turn penalty – one tack and one gybe. This changes RRS 44.1.

10.2 For the offshore race, RRS 28 is changed as follows:

   a) In rule 28.1, delete the first sentence and replace with:

   'A boat shall cross the starting line after having been entirely on the pre-start side at or after her starting signal and sail the course described in the sailing instructions and *finish.*'

   b) In rule 28.2, delete the first sentence and replace with:

   'A string representing a boat's track from the time she begins to approach the starting line from its pre-start side to cross it until she *finishes* shall, when drawn taut, …'

   c) Add new rule 28.3 Penalty:

   A boat that does not cross the starting line as required by rule 28.1 will receive the 20% scoring penalty as defined in RRS 44.3. This changes RRS A4 and A5. The scoring penalty shall be divided equally between offshore race 1 and offshore race 2, if offshore race 2 is completed.

10.3 For minor breaches of the Offshore Special Regulations, RRS 55 and any Sailing Instruction marked with [DP] the jury may impose any penalty different from Disqualification, or not impose a penalty, at its discretion. The maximum discretional penalty for the minor infringements of the Offshore Special Regulations will be the scoring penalty of 10% calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c).

11  **Protests and requests for redress**

11.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protest shall be delivered there within the time limit which shall be:

   a) for inshore races: [insert number] hours after the last boat has finished the last race of day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and international jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress (except as permitted in c) bellow). This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

   b) for offshore race(s): [insert number] hours after protestor’s finish. If a boat finishes by night, a protest can be logged from [insert time] until [insert time] the next day.
11.3 Measurement protest by the boat shall not be accepted after [insert date and time which shall be day before the last day of the championship]. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 61.3.

11.4 Notice of protests by the Race Committee or the International Jury will be posted on the official notice board to inform competitors under RRS 61.1(b).

11.5 Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses will be posted:
   a) for windward/leeward races within 30 minutes of the protest time limit
   b) for the offshore race, within 30 minutes of the finish of all the boats involved in the protest, except that Protest notices will not be posted [insert day and date of offshore race] at [insert time] until [insert day and date of offshore race] at [insert time].

11.6 When RRS N1.4(b) is applied the time limit will be 30 minutes after the decision is given.

11.7 The decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

12 Scoring

12.1 Windward/leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by [insert scoring method].

12.2 Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by [insert scoring method].

12.3 The decision on the scoring method and scoring parameters used will be at the sole discretion of the Race Committee and together with length of course, directions of leg and the wind speed will not be grounds for request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

12.4 The championship is valid if at least 4 inshore races and 1 offshore race or at least 3 inshore races and 2 offshore races are completed. Offshore races shall not be discarded and 1 discard will be allowed on inshore races if 5 or 6 inshore races are completed.

   Note: For Continental Championships where a shortened schedule as defined above is used: The championship is valid if at least 3 inshore races and the offshore race are completed. One discard will be allowed if 5 races are completed.

13 Safety regulations

[DP] 13.1 Boats retiring for any reason in any race shall report to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

[DP] 13.2 Any use of the engine for propulsion purposes for rescuing people, giving help or any other reason shall be reported after arrival in written form to the Race Committee stating reasons for such procedure. If a boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race, the International Jury may impose a discretional penalty.

14 Replacement of crew or equipment

[DP] 14.1 The Technical Committee may approve crew changes (adding new crew members, replacing or disembarking crew members) by written skipper's request made no later than [insert number] hour before the scheduled time of the start of the first race of the day. The substituted crew member shall not be aboard on any other competing boat throughout the remainder of the series. The weight of all crew members on board weighed in light street clothes after all crew changes shall not be greater than the maximum and smaller than the minimum as defined in ORC Rule 200.1. Crew substitutions in Corinthian Division shall also be valid World Sailing group 1 sailors. If not, the entry will be scored in the Open Division.

[DP] 14.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be not allowed unless approved by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Technical Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
15 Equipment and measurement checks

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water or after arriving in harbor, a boat may be instructed by the measurer including VHF channel [insert channel] to proceed immediately for inspection.

16 Official boats

16.1 Official boats will display an [insert flag]. Failure of any official boat to display her flag will not be grounds request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

16.2 Vessels used by press, photographers, film crews, VIPs etc. are not under the jurisdiction of the Race Committee. Any action by these boats shall not be ground for request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

[DP] 17 Support boats

Support boats shall be registered at the race office where identification number will be assigned. Identification shall be visible at all times. All support boats shall keep well clear of the starting area and, after the preparatory signal, are not to approach within 100 meters of any competing boat. A breach of this SI may result with a scoring penalty against the boat connected and/or withdrawal of permission to be in the racing area for one or more days.

[DP] 18 Haul-out restriction

From 09:00 on [insert first scheduled day of registration] yachts shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the International Jury. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted. Appendages shall not be removed from the boat during the series.

19 Communication

19.1 Radio communication with Race Committee during the regatta will be on VHF channel [insert number]. The Race Committee may give verbal confirmation of any race signal over VHF Channel [insert number]. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

[DP] 19.2 Except when communicating with the race committee, a boat while racing, shall not transmit or receive communication of any information not publicly available to all boats participating. This changes RRS 41.

20 Trophies and prizes

[insert list of trophies and prizes including Corinthian and Owner/Driver trophies when applied, together with their respective requirements].

21 Disclaimer of liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, [insert club], [insert national sailing federation], ORC and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.
Part 2 - Inshore course
(Courses should be designed to provide durations of 1 to 1.5 hours)

23 The course
23.1 The diagram in Attachment [insert number] shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be passed.
23.2 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

24 Marks
24.1 Marks [insert number or letter from diagram] will be [insert description].
24.2 New mark as provided in instruction 25.1 will be [insert description].

25 Change of the next leg of the course
To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. A new windward mark will be placed without the offset mark.

26 Starting line
The starting line will be between [insert description] at the starboard and [insert description] at the port-end.

27 Finishing line
The finishing line will be between [insert description] and [insert description].

28 Time limit
The time limit for the first boat to finish will be [insert time calculated as the length of the course in NM/3]. Boats failing to finish within [insert time] after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

Note: The time limit after the first boat finishes shall be based on the difference in GPH, or the time allowances at 6 knots, between the slowest and fastest boats, multiplied with an appropriate factor.

Part 3 - Offshore course

29 The course
The course will be: Start - [insert marks and side on which have to be left] - Finish.

30 Marks
Marks [insert number or letter from diagram] will be [insert description].
31 Windward mark

The RC may set a windward mark to obtain a start to windward, if necessary. If the windward mark is set, it will be approximately one nautical mile from the starting area and the RC will, before the warning signal, display a red flag which indicates the mark shall be left to port, or a Green flag indicating the mark shall be left to starboard.

32 Starting line

The Starting line will be between [insert description] at the starboard and [insert description] at the port-end.

33 Finishing line

33.1 The Finishing line will be between [insert description] and [insert description].

34 Time limit

34.1 There will be no time limit for the first offshore race.

34.2 The time limit for first boat to finish will be [insert time calculated as length of course in NM/3]. Boats failing to finish within [insert time] after the first boat sails the course and finishes, shall be scored with the number of points equal to the number of boats that have started and finished within the time limit, plus 1. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

Note: Time limit after first boat finishes shall be based on the difference in GPH, or the time allowances at 6 knots, between slowest and fastest boat in the class or the fleet, multiplied by an appropriate factor.

35 Finishing by night

Boats that finish by night shall illuminate their numbers when finishing, and in case of doubt shall try to identify themselves to the RC after finishing.

36 Reporting positions

[insert requirement for reporting positions including times and mean of communication, if any].
APPENDIX 1 - BOW NUMBERS

Bow numbers shall be placed as forward as possible

CORRECT

NOT CORRECT
# CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT CHECKLIST

To be completed with a bid to host an ORC Championship

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Note: A list of all committee members (Race Committee, Scorer, International Jury, Technical Committee) shall be submitted and approved by the ORC at least six months before the event. Please list any relevant credentials, such as IRO, II, etc.
FACILITIES ASHORE

Please specify what can be provided in areas, numbers or any description needed:

Number of moorings and/or slips
Distance from event headquarters
Registration Office & Staff
Race Committee Office
International Jury Office
Measurement Office
Measurement space
Press Office/Media Centre
ISAF Classification Office
Notice Board, Web updates
Vehicle parking
Storage & Trailer parking
Hauling, Launching and Repairs
Chandlery/suppliers
Sail Repair Services
Meteo Service
Restaurant or Catering facilities
Stage area for awards
Space for sponsors & other vendors
Other comments
FACILITIES AFLOAT

Please specify what can be provided in types, numbers or any description needed:

- Race Committee Signal boat
- Pin-end mark boat
- Other mark-set boats
- Jury boat(s)
- Measurer’s boat(s)
- Media boat(s)
- Marks

EVENT PROMOTION AND MEDIA

Please specify what and how these can be provided:

- Promotion & marketing plan
- Media plan: pre-event, during and post-event, media relations
- Photographer & Videographer
- Social networks
- Event newsletter
- Press releases

IT FACILITIES

Please specify what and how these can be provided:

- Broadband internet for officials
- Broadband wi-fi internet for crews
- Event website – structure, updates, links, news, info, etc
- Tracking system
- Event website management plan
LOGISTICS

Please specify what can be provided in costs, numbers or any other description needed:

Accommodation for officials

Accommodation for entered teams

Catering and meal options

Nearest airports & transport options to airports

Transport form the airport

Social events

Event merchandise

Boats for charter

COURSES

Map with course areas both inshore and offshore with: depth, distance from marina, available course length, prevailing wind conditions.