



43rd Copa del Rey - MAPFRE

ORC European Championship 2025

Palma de Mallorca, Spain, 26 July – 2 August 2025

The **43 Copa del Rey MAPFRE** including **ORC European Championship 2025** is organized by the Real Club Náutico de Palma (RCNP) by delegation of the Real Federación Española de Vela (RFEV), with the sponsorship of MAPFRE, the institutional sponsorship of the Govern de les Illes Balears, the Palma City Council with the collaboration of the Autoritat Portuària de Balears and the Federació Balear de Vela. It will be held in the waters of the Bay of Palma de Mallorca between 26 July and 2 August 2025, inclusive. This **ORC European Championship 2025** is under overall jurisdiction of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC).

Note: Notice of Race is color coded as follows:

- Black* – Parts that applies to all ORC Classes, Club Swan Classes and Women's Cup Class
- Blue* – Parts that applies to ORC European Championship only
- Red* – Parts that applies to Club Swan Classes only
- Green* – Parts that applies to Women's Cup Class only

Notice of Race

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The latest version of the following rules will also apply:
 - a) IMS Rules.
 - b) ORC Rating Systems Rules.
 - c) [DP] World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3 with following additions:
 - i) Boat's AIS shall be active from the first day of equipment inspection until the end of the event.
 - ii) Jackstays shall be mounted on the deck for the offshore races only from the moment when boats are leaving the docks. This changes OSR 4.04.
 - d) [DP] World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 4, subject to possible amendments by class rules.
- 1.3 World Sailing Addendum UF DR21-04 may be used. If so, it will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 The rules for the use of boats that form part of the sailing instructions. BlueSail 24 Class Rules will not apply.



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- 1.5 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
- a) All sails, including storm & heavy weather sails required by the OSR, shall have measurement stamp or sticker with all required measurements clearly readable.
 - b) [DP] Each boat shall select sails to be used at the event up to the maximum numbers as defined in ORC Rule 206.1. Selected sails will be marked with event's sticker. Only sails marked with event's sticker may be on board during the event.
 - c) [DP] Sails carried on board may vary from day to day but shall remain the same for each individual race day, including days with multiple races even in the case of damage to sails. The race day begins when the boat leaves for the race course from its dock or mooring.
 - d) [DP] Sails damaged during the event may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the technical committee.
- 1.6 Minimum crew weight as defined in ORC Rules 102.3 and 200.1(b) shall apply.
- 1.7 The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) replace RRS Part 2 from sunset to sunrise.
- 1.8 A breach of RRS 56.2 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.9 No national authority prescriptions will apply except that Spanish crew, legal residents in Spain or crew of a yacht owned by a member of a Spanish yacht club, shall present their 2025 national sailing federation license.
- 1.10 RRS 90.3(e) apply.
- 1.11 The notation '[NP]' in a rule of these Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.12 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

2 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities and may be posted earlier at www.regatacopadelrey.com.

3 Communication

- 3.1 The online Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at www.regatacopadelrey.com.
- 3.2 Communication with competitors will be through the online ONB with additional courtesy information by e-mails and/or Telegram. Each boat shall have at least one device connected to the internet with Telegram application installed. Failure to receive information by e-mail or Telegram App will not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b). On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.





3.3 [DP] RRS 41(c) is changed as follows:

- a) A boat shall not receive help from any outside source, except help in the form of information, which is freely available to all boats, whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription. However, this shall not include interpretation of information gathered by advice from any source not on the boat specific to the boat and her situation.
- b) By way of an example and interpretation, downloading charts, weather and/or tidal GRIB files from subscription services, or having such information passed to the boat in its pure form, is permitted but receiving messages or information which is the result of interpretation from the person outside of the boat is not permitted.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code.

4.2 The event is open to all boats with a valid 2025 ORC International certificate with a CDL between 8.000 and 16.400 included. The flotation date on an ORC International Certificate shall not be earlier than **25 July 2020**.

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

- a) To assign a European Champion title in a class the number of boats plus the number of countries shall be not less than 14 for Classes A, B and C and not less than 6 for Class 0. If the minimum number of boats in a class is not met, that class may be grouped with the closest class. In this case, only one Championship title will be assigned to the combined classes.
- b) The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country the boat is 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.
- c) Classes will have separate starts and separate results.

4.4 Any change after applying ORC rule 305.2(b) or (c) shall not change the class the boat was originally entered.

4.5 The event is open to all boats with of the following classes:

- Club Swan 50
- Club Swan 42
- Club Swan 43

Minimum number of entries in each class will be defined according to the organizing authority discretion. If there are not enough entries by **15 June 2025** to provide a satisfactory regatta, the organizing committee reserves the right to cancel any class. If a class is cancelled, the paid entry fees will be reimbursed.



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- 4.6 Women's Cup Class (WCC) is reserved to all female crews on Blue Sail 24 Class boat provided by the organizer. Teams shall be composed of a maximum of 5 sailors without weight limitation. All sailors must be at least 16 years of age at the time of racing in the event. The event is limited to a maximum of 15 crews, which shall be invited by the organizing authority upon request. Minors must present a legal guardian's authorization for their participation available on the event's website, without which they will not be allowed to participate.
- 4.7 Eligible boats may pre-register until **15 June 2025** by completing the on-line registration form at www.regatacopadelrey.com. Swan OD Classes shall pre-register at www.yachtscore.com. Organizing Authority reserves the right to accept entries after that date with 50% increased entry fee.
- 4.8 To be considered as pre-registered, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event website upon receipt of each new entry.
- 4.9 Once the entry is accepted, each boat shall submit a crew list before **11 July 2025**. Crew lists shall include all crew members who will be on board at the start of the first race and may be amended up to the start of the first race. After this time, any change in the crew shall be notified to the race office.
- 4.10 Each boat of Swan OD Class shall have valid Class certificate issued before **24 July 2025**.
- 4.11 Each owner or skipper must personally register in the race office located in Real Club Nautico de Palma on the days scheduled for registration.
- 4.12 On 1 March 2022, World Sailing published the following recommendations in reaction to the situation in Ukraine: <https://www.sailing.org/2022/03/01/world-sailing-statement-6>. After this, the Consejo Superior de Deportes of Spanish Government and Real Federación Española de Vela published recommendations in the same line. To help preserve the integrity and safety of this event the organizing committee does not accept competitors, holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality. The Organizing Authority will be monitoring the situation and will adapt recommendations and measures according to future developments for this event.

5 Entry Fee

- 5.1 The entry fee is defined as follows:

	<i>Entries received until 30 May 2025</i>	<i>Entries received after 30 May 2025</i>
Class 0	1890 EUR	2200 EUR
Class A	1360 EUR	1575 EUR
Class B	1200 EUR	1400 EUR
Class C	1100 EUR	1300 EUR



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It shall be paid with online entry form by the credit card or by bank transfer to:

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Muelle de San Pedro 1
07012 Palma de Mallorca (ILLES BALEARS - ESPAÑA)
BANCO: CAIXABANK
Andrea Doria 60
07014 Palma de Mallorca
IBAN: ES62 2100 1763 0702 0006 5812
BIC: CAIXESBBXXX

5.2 The entry fee for the Swan OD Classes. will be the established and managed directly with Nautor Swan. For details please contact: secretariatclubswanracing@nautorswan.com.

5.3 The entry fee for the WCC Class is defined as follows:

Entries received until 30 May 2025: 350 EUR
Entries received after 30 May 2025: 500 EUR

It shall be paid with online entry form by the credit card or by bank transfer to:

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5.4 A credit card damage deposit of 300 euros will be required upon registration of each team of the WCC Class. This deposit is the maximum amount to be paid by a team in case of an incident. If the Organizing Authority decides to deduct part of this deposit, it may require the team to refund the deposit up to the initial amount before continuing racing. The deposit remaining at the end of the event shall be returned.

5.5 The organizing authority is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's registration.

6 Amateur crews (Corinthian Division) and Female crews (Female Division)

6.1 There will be additional prizes for Corinthian and Female Divisions for a minimum of 3 entries of each division in each class. Corinthian and Female Divisions results will be extrapolated from the overall class results with boats in these division eligible for the overall class prizes as well.



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- 6.2 For the Corinthian Division, the World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code, Regulation 22 shall apply, and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 categorization. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website.
- 6.3 For the Female Division a boat shall have 50% or more female competitors on board.
- 6.4 The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian Division or Female Division entries shall be **11 July 2025**. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the gender, World Sailing Sailor ID and the categorization group for each crew. All crew shall hold valid categorization prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the event. Late entries may be accepted at organizer's discretion after review of all entries received by 11 July 2025.
- 6.5 Any crew change that will make boat not to comply with 6.2 or 6.3 will automatically exclude the boat from the relevant Division.
- 6.6 All crew lists will be posted on the official notice board or website as soon as possible after the registration deadline. The time limit for a protest or request for redress by a boat regarding the World Sailing's Sailors Categorization Code is 20:00 on 29 July 2025. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

7 Advertising

- 7.1 [DP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority according to the World Sailing Advertising Code as follows:
- Event sticker on the front part of the boom
 - Event sticker with bow number on each side of the hull
 - Event backstay flag
 - Sponsor battle flag (only when moored in the harbour)
 - Advertising on the crew lycras (Bibs)
- 7.2 Spanish boat or boat owned by a member of a Spanish Yacht Club, which displays advertising, shall have the RFEV advertising authorization. Other boats shall comply with their respective National Authority.
- 7.3 The organizing authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras and/or position devices, use of which will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.



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8 Schedule

8.1

		ORC Europeans	Swan OD Classes	WCC
Saturday	26 July	Registration		
Sunday	27 July	Registration	Registration	
Monday	28 July	Registration Practice Race	Registration Practice Race	Registration
Tuesday	29 July	W/L Races or short offshore race	W/L Races	Registration
Wednesday	30 July	W/L Races or short offshore race	W/L Races	W/L Races
Thursday	31 July	W/L Races or short offshore race	W/L Races	W/L Races
Friday	1 August	W/L Races or short offshore race	W/L Races	W/L Races
Saturday	2 August	W/L Races or short offshore race	W/L Races	W/L Races

- 8.2 a) The short offshore race will be approximately 10-12 hours for the slowest boat.
 b) Inshore races will be approximately 1 to 1.5 hours.
 c) The decision of sailing windward/leeward or short offshore race will be made depending on the weather and wind conditions.
- 8.3 WCC: The first team leader meeting will be at 09:30 on the first competition day. The boats will be available for the participating teams on the 28 and 29 of July 2025. Please contact the organizer a week before the first scheduled race.
- 8.4 The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day will be at 12:00
- 8.5 No warning signal will be made after 15:45 on 2 August 2025.

9 Equipment Inspection

- 9.1 Each boat shall have 2025 ORC International certificate issued up to **18 July 2025**. Certificates issued after that date may be accepted only by the request of the relevant ORC Rating office. This changes RRS 78.2.
- 9.2 No changes shall be made on ORC International certificates after **18 July 2025** unless prescribed and approved by the technical committee in correcting any error that may be found in boat's certificate before or during the pre-race equipment inspection and before the start of the first race.
- 9.3 Boats shall be available for equipment inspection from 09:00 on **26 July** until 13:00 on **28 July**. Booking of time slots for inspections by the boats will be available through the online system from **18 July 2025**.



- 9.4 Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.
- 9.5 A boat shall not be considered entered until she passes the pre-race equipment inspection.
- 9.6 Boats competing in the event will be subject to inspection before the event begins; random measurement checks will be set during the event.

10 Venue

- 10.1 The venue for the event is the Real Club Nautico de Palma de Mallorca.
- 10.2 The offshore courses racing area will be Waters of Mallorca and his approaches, including Cabrera and Dragonera Islands.
- 10.3 The inshore racing area will in the water of the Bay of Palma.

11 Penalty system

- 11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for breaking one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident outside the *Zone* while racing.
- 11.2 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91 b).

12 Scoring

- 12.1 *ORC European Championship* - 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 organizing authority in agreement with the ORC Representative may give permission to sail a substitute course.
- 12.2 At least 4 inshore races and 1 offshore race or at least 3 inshore races and 2 offshore races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score as follows:
 - a) Offshore race scores shall not be excluded.
 - b) When 4 or fewer inshore races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - c) When 5 or more inshore races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst inshore race score.
- 12.4 Inshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Polar Curve Scoring and constructed course scoring method.
- 12.5 Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the single ToD calculated by the Weather Routing as provided by the ORC. List of ratings will be published not later than 3 hours before the start.





- 12.6 *Swan OD Classes* - Ten windward/leeward races are scheduled with no more than 3 races per day.
- 12.7 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score as follows:
- When 4 or fewer inshore races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
 - When 5 or more inshore races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst inshore race score.
- 12.8 For the 43rd Copa del Rey Mapfre, at least two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.9 *WCC Class*

The WCC class will sail Round Robin format followed by a medal race with complete format details defined in the Sailing Instructions.

13 Support person vessels

- 13.1 [DP] All support person vessels shall register and request mooring at the RCNP's Race Office before **1 June 2025** presenting following documents:
- Proof of payment of the current insurance covering civil liability in regattas and an insurance policy covering a minimum amount of 1.000.000 €.
 - Sailing certificate or similar if the boat is not registered in Spain.
- 13.2 [DP] All the support boats shall clearly identify which team they support and shall have VHF radio.

14 Nautical charts

The following nautical charts of the Instituto Hidrográfico de la Marina are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: 421,422,423,424,426,427.

15 Berthing

- 15.1 Berths will be free of charge in or nearby the Real Club Náutico de Palma, from 12:00 of 25 July until 12:00 of 3 August 2025. Before and after these dates, it is owner's responsibility to cover any berthing expenses.
- 15.2 [NP][DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.



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16 [NP][DP] Haul-out Restrictions

- 16.1 All boats, **except boats provided by the organizer**, shall be in the water on *26 July 2025* until the end of the last scheduled race of the series.
- 16.2 Boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the technical committee. 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 Data Protection

The Media Rights belong exclusively to the Real Club Náutico de Palma, ORC and to the Real Federación Española de Vela, and can be shared with the sponsors of these bodies and the competing Classes. 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.

The participants 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 Real Club Náutico de Palma, ORC and the Real Federación Española de Vela.

18 Risk statement

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 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.
- By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, complies with the class rules, is equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer 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.
- 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.

19 Competitors Drones

- 19.1 [DP] Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the shore facilities or over the race area during training or racing days without complying with local legislation and without prior written approval by the organizing authority.
- 19.2 The approval granted at the sole discretion of the organizing authority may impose limitations on where and when drones may fly.
- 19.3 At any time the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone and images made inside the race area shall be shared with the organizing authority, race committee or jury at reasonable request.

20 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance covering liability arising from negligence and damage while racing, for the amount of 1.000.000 € (2.000.000 € for boats with LH of between 50 to 60 feet and 5.000.000 € for boats with a LH over 60 feet).

21 Prizes

- 21.1 [The 2025 ORC European Champion title will be awarded to the best boat in each class.](#)
- 21.2 43rd Copa del Rey Mapfre trophies will be awarded to the winners of each of the classes established according to this Notice of Race. For the awarding of the title of the 43rd Copa del Rey Mapfre in a class, there must be a minimum number of boats and countries participating, which will be established at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- 21.3 [Mapfre Trophy will be awarded to the best boat racing in 2025 ORC European Championship under criteria that will be published within Trophy list.](#)
- 21.4 [Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in each class and best boat in Corinthian and Female division in each class.](#)
- 21.5 Additional prizes may be awarded at the organiser's discretion. The Trophy list will be published at the ONB before the start of the first race.



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22 Further information

22.1 For further information, please contact

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22.2 The media wishing to obtain accreditation and to register for the event, shall contact the following Press Office as detailed below:

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