



# X REGATA CIUDAD DE EL PUERTO

## Optimist Excellence Cup 23-24

1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### NOTICE of RACE

The “X REGATA CIUDAD DE EL PUERTO”, *Optimist Excellence Cup 2023-2024*, will be held in the Bay of Cádiz, (Puerto Santa María) from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2024, both inclusive. This Event is organised by the Club Náutico Puerto Sherry by delegation of the Real Federación Española de Vela and the Consejo Superior de Deportes, the support of the Andalusian Sailing Federation, the Town Hall of El Puerto de Santa María, and Cádiz Port Authority and the sponsorship of the “Consejería de Turismo, Cultura y Deportes de la Junta de Andalucía”, the Excma. Diputación Provincial de Cádiz”, Marina Puerto de Santa María, CAREX Logistics and ABD Consultoría y Soluciones Informáticas.

The notation [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, RRS
- 1.2 Appendix P (RRS) will be applied.
- 1.3 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 [DP] Class Rules
- 1.5 [DP] The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS)
- 1.6 RRS 90.3(e), applies.
- 1.7 [NP][DP] If is required, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel must wear a personal flotation device (PFD), properly secured at all times while afloat except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. All coaches boats must carry a VHF radio at all times while at sea. Organizing authority may make daily checks as part of the security protocol of the race.
- 1.8 The first three sentences of RRS 61.1(a) are changed to ‘A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. When her protest will concern an incident in the racing area that she was involved in or saw she shall hail ‘Protest’. She shall inform the Race Committee at the finishing line immediately after finishing of the boat/s being protested, or as soon as practicable after she retires.’



- 1.9 [NP][DP] RRS 40 and Preamble of Part 4 is modified as follows:
- 1.9.1 The first sentence of rule 40 is deleted and replaced by: "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) according to class rule 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing."
- 1.10 [NP][DP] All the sailors and personal support shall follow any reasonable instruction given by a race officer.
- 1.11 If there is conflict between languages English will prevail.

## 2 ADVERTISING. [NP][DP]

- 2.1 Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by class rule 2.8.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

## 3 ELEGIBILITY

- 3.1 All Spanish sailors, with legal residence in Spain or they are representing to Spanish Club, must have a Spanish Sailing Federation membership card valid for 2024 and they are required to be current members of the Optimist National Association of the IODA for the country of their residence and must be born on or after January 1, 2009.
- 3.2 All the sailors must be assigned to one coach with support boat on the water. Not more than 10 sailors per coach will be permitted.

## 4 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Competitors and coaches shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website and paying the required fees.

<https://regatas.clubnauticopuertosherry.com/en/default/races/race-inscription/text/x-trofeo-ciudad-puerto-optimist-excellence-cup-2023-2024-es/0>

- 4.2 Entries will be accepted by the first come-first served principle. Entries shall be paid on the regatta web site, and this not considered valid until the payment is made. Entry in the event is not final until on-site registration is completed.

### 4.3 Entry Fees:

	Early Entry Fee Before 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	Entry Fee After 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
Sailor	95€	130€
Coach	30€	40€

EARLY ENTRY FEE applies for all confirmed entries paid before 23:59 h on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

- 4.4 The maximum number of participants will be 400 sailors. The organizing authority has the right to extend this number.
- 4.5 For all those registrations not accepted, entry fee will be reimbursed. After 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023, entry fees will not be reimbursed under any circumstance.
- 4.6 The Organizing Committee has the right to accept entries received after entry deadline.

## 5 REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Each Team Leader shall register and sign the registration form in the Race Office before 11:30 on the 02<sup>nd</sup> of January 2024.
- 5.2 Each Team Leader shall produce the following documents before the end of the registration period.
- Registration Form
  - 2024 Federation Licence (For Spanish Sailors)
  - Evidence of valid third-party insurance with a minimum covert of €350.000
  - Identity Card or Passport.
  - Proof of Entry fee payment.
  - Proof to be member of the Optimist Class in 2024.
  - Form adult appointment as responsible person (available on the regatta web)
  - Coaches must register at the Race Office and show the boat driving license (if applicable),
  - Motorboat registry and valid third-party insurance.
  - 2024 RFEV Technical License (Spanish Coaches only).

## 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The programme for the Event is:

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday, 1 January	15:00 to 19:00 h	• Registration of competitors and stamping
Tuesday, 2 January	09:00 a 11:30 11:30 h. 13:00 h.	• Registration of competitors and stamping • Coaches Meeting • Warning Signal Race 1 • Races
Wednesday, 3 January	12:00 h.	• Races
Thursday, 4 January	11:00 h	• Races • Price Giving Ceremony (asap)

- 6.2 Nine (9) races are scheduled.
- 6.3 The last possible warning signal on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> is 16:30 h.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions, along with other governing documents, will be available upon registration on the virtual Official Notice Board located online

<https://regatas.clubnauticopuertosherry.com/en/default/races/race/text/x-trofeo-ciudad-puerto-optimist-excellence-cup-2023-2024-es>

## 8 RACING FORMAT. COURSE

- 8.1 The regatta shall sail as one fleet, except with more than 70 entries, the boats will be split into groups with a qualifying series and a final series.
- 8.2 The racing format will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 8.3 The course will be an outer trapezoid with a gate at the leeward mark and finish to windward.

## 9 MEASUREMENTS [DP]

- 9.1 Boats may be measured at any moment during racing for compliance with the class.

## 10 PRIZES

- 10.1 The trophies list will be published on the official notice board at the beginning of the Event.

## 11 INSURANCE

- 11.1 Each participating boat and coach boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of €350.000 per event or the equivalent.

## 12 SAFETY

- 12.1 Parents/Guardians are responsible for the safety of the sailor. It is the sole responsibility of the parent(s) of the sailor to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents not personally attending any activity of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor. This form is available in the regatta web site.
- 12.2 The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during and after the regatta.

## 13 RISK DECLARATION

- 13.1 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."



- 13.2 By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 13.3 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;
- 13.4 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 13.5 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 13.6 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;
- 13.7 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;
- 13.8 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 13.9 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

#### 14 SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

- 14.1 All Support boats shall register and shall display the identification of his Club (flag or Club's name) it supports, at all times while in the water.
- 14.2 All support boats shall be equipped with a VHF radio in working order with at least the channels 9, 69, 72.

#### 15 ACCOMODATION and AIRPORT TRANSFERS

- 15.1 There are some Hotels with Special Prices for competitors and parents.
- 15.2 Also, we can arrange your transfers from Sevilla or Jerez Airport, please contact with the organiser.

#### 16 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1 For further information please contact with the:

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**El Puerto de Santa María, June 2023**

