



49erFX

Open Series

Club Nautic el Balís

20th – 23rd February 2024

The Organizing Authority is Club Nàutic El Balís conjunction with the International 49er Class Association.

NOTICE OF RACE

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

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Penalties: In RRS 44.1 "Two-Turns Penalty" is changed to "One-Turn Penalty"
- 1.3 Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, shall apply, with RRS P2.1 to P2.4 deleted and replaced by: "When a boat is penalised under RRS P1.2, her penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty under RRS 44.2. If she fails to take the penalty she shall be disqualified without a hearing."
- 1.4 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race. The Class Race Management Guidelines, which can be found [here](#), will also apply, but a failure to follow these Guidelines is not on its own grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

2. [DP] ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.



- 2.2 For 49erFX - the bottom two panels of the jib area shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved 49er Class jib advertising policy.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
3.2 For the 49erFX Open Series gender is open.
3.3 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er Class Association.
3.4 Russian and Belarusian nationals are not permitted to enter the Championship.
3.5 Entries should be received by the Organizing Authority and will only be accepted after 18th February 2024 with the payment of the Late Entry Fee.
3.6 Competitors can enter and pay the fee by visiting the event notice board:
<https://cnelbalis.sailti.com/es/default/races/race/text/medsailing-fx-es>

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fees
- Entry Fee Euro 160 (until 5th Feb 2024), Late Entry Fee Euro 200. Entries will only be accepted after 18th Feb. 2024 at the discretion of the Class Executive and with the payment of the Late Entry Fee.
- Coach Boat Entry Fee: Euro 50 per coach boat.
- 4.2 Cancellation; in the case of a team withdrawing from the World Championship, the paid entry fee will be refunded as follows:
- Up to 18th Feb. 2024: 75% of the entry fees will be refunded.
 - After 20th Feb. 2024: No refund will be made.

5. FORMAT OF RACING

The Event will consist of a Single Series.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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| Day 0 - 19 th Feb. | 0900 - 1400 | Registration |
| Day 1 - 20 th Feb. | 1000 | Competitors Briefing |
| | 1200 | Races |
| Day 2 – 21 st Feb. | 1200 | Races |
| Day 3 – 22 nd Feb. | 1200 | Races |
| Day 4 – 23 rd Feb. | 1200 | Races |
- 6.2 Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony as soon as possible after the final races.
On 23rd Feb. 2024 there will be no warning signal after 1500 hrs.

7. MEASUREMENT

- 7.1 Spot measurement checks may be carried out during the Event.
7.2 Only one set of sails and one forestay shall be used throughout the duration of the Event.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Event website and at registration.



9. VENUE

The 2024 49erFX Open Series Event will be held at:

Club Náutico El Balís

Carretera N-II, km 651,5 - Sant Andreu de Llavaneres 08392 (Barcelona) Spain

41° 33,5' N / 002° 30,5' E

For mailing/shipping contact: sailing@cnelbalis.com / Phone:(+34) 937929900

**10. THE COURSES**

Courses will be windward/leeward with a spreader mark at the windward end and a gate at the leeward end of the course.

11. SCORING

11.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply to the Opening Series

11.2 At least 2 races are required to be completed to constitute the Regatta.

12. SAFETY

In the event of an emergency the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping off point for safety boats coming from the racing area will be at the pontoon next to the bats parl. This meeting point will be provided with medical assistance when required. The location of the Emergency Meeting Point is shown in Attachment B.

13. SUPPORT VESSELS

13.1 Support vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Class Support Vessel Regulations which are included in Attachment C. Support persons shall register on-site at the race office at the venue.

13.2 All support vessels shall clearly display the 3-letter national code of their WS Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be

200mm. Additionally all support vessels will fly a numeral flag provide by the Organising Authority.

13.3 If called upon support vessels will be required to act as rescue boats.

14. **PROTEST COMMITTEE**

A Protest Committee will be appointed for the Event

15. **PRIZES**

Prizes for the Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of Racing for the first three places overall and for the Other Fleet(s) respectively.

Prizes will be -

- Open - 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- Female - 1st, 2nd, 3rd

16. **RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

17. **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least Euro 1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

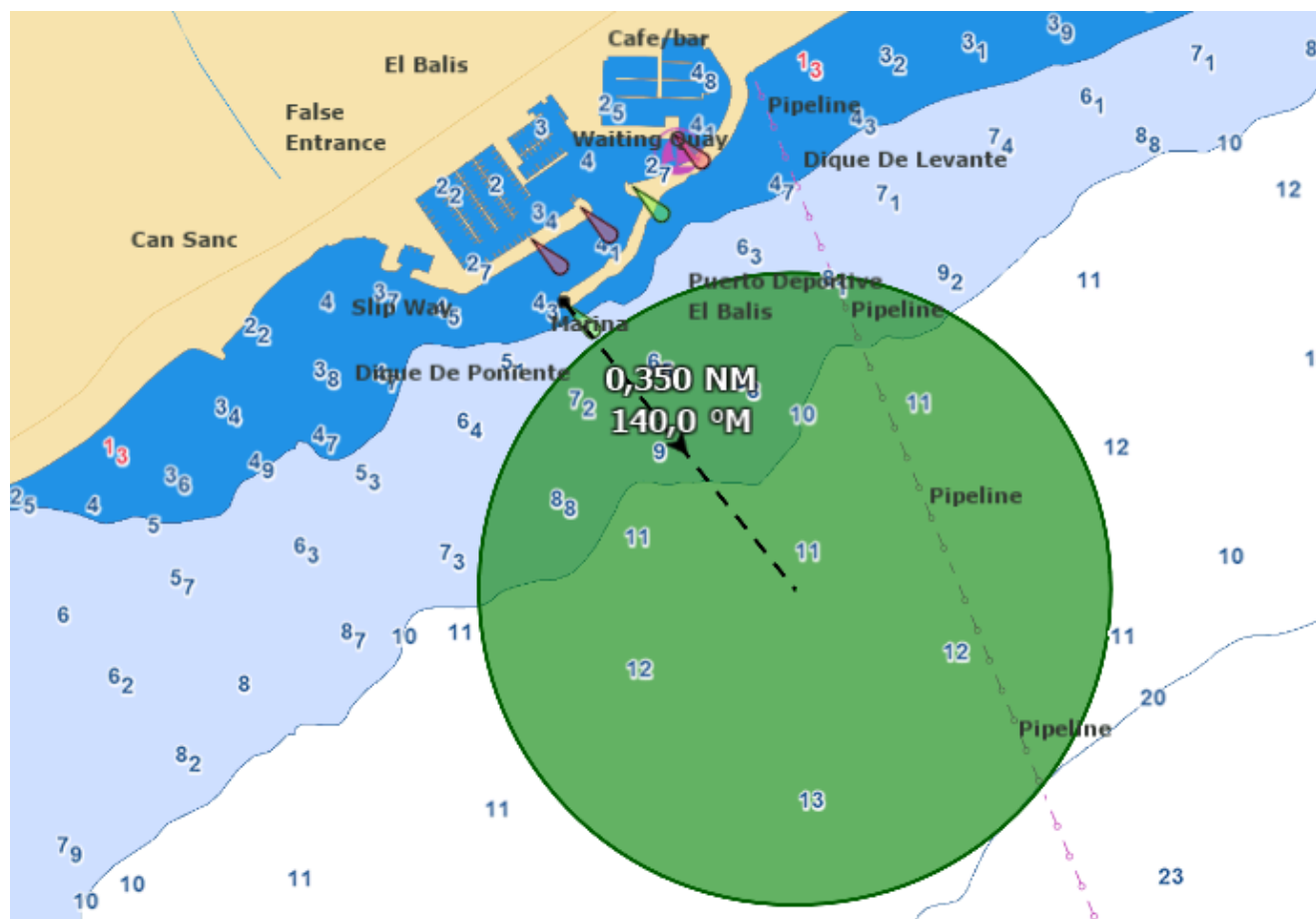
18. **RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

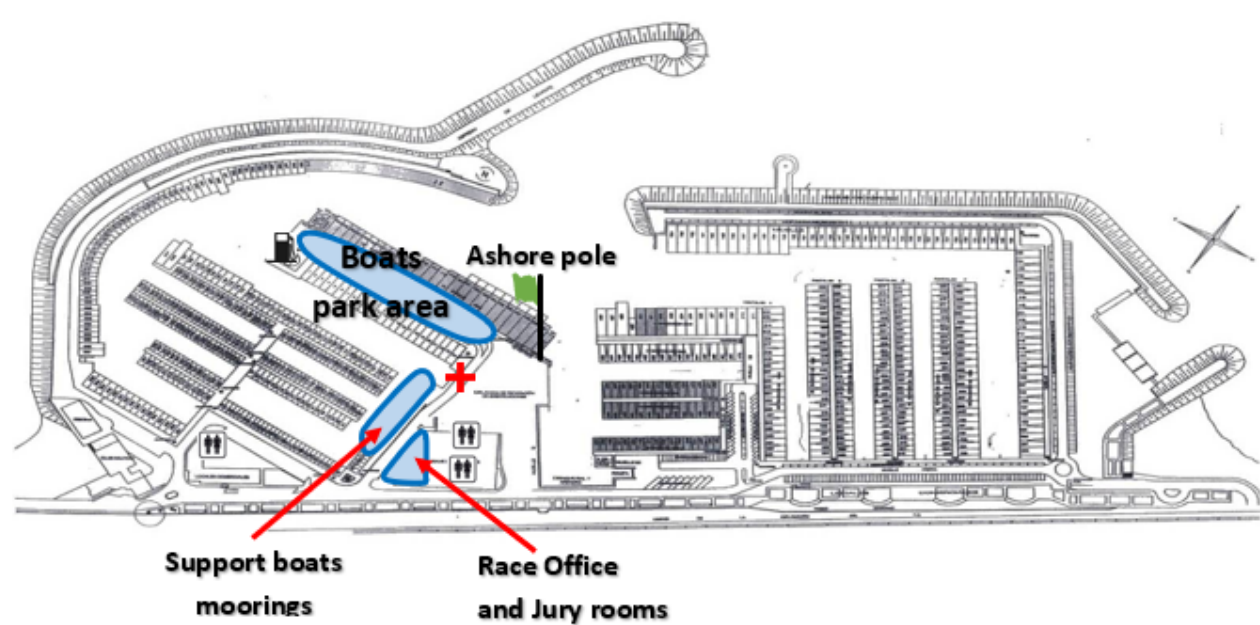
Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) 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;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

ATTACHMENT A - RACING AREA



ATTACHMENT B - EMERGENCY MEETING POINT



ATTACHMENT C - SUPPORT VESSEL REGULATIONS

Support Vessels shall carry the following Equipment on board,

- Life jackets / buoyance aids for the driver and all passengers,
- Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser) with a spare kill cord on the support vessel.
- VHF radio capable of receiving instruction from Safety or Race Committee
- First-aid kit
- Device for making a sound signal.
- Compass
- Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth
- Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick)
- Knife

Support Vessel Regulations

- Support Vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with their applicable national sail letters clearly displayed, the minimum height for these letters is 200mm.
- Support Vessels shall comply with all local regulations.
- Support Vessels shall follow Race Committee instructions on the designated VHF channel
- **Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running.**
- Life jackets / buoyance aids - it is recommended that they are worn at all times when afloat and **shall** be worn in winds of over 10 knots or when motoring at more than 10 knots.
- Support vessels shall not be positioned, except during rescue operations,
 - Closer than 100 metres of any boat racing
 - Within 100 metres to leeward of the starting line and its extensions from the warning signal until all boats have left the starting area or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
 - Within 100 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark
 - Within 100 metres of the finishing line while boats are finishing
 - In addition, support vessels that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing.

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