



XXIV SEMANA DEL ATLÁNTICO CIUDAD DE VIGO XLVIII TROFEO MARTÍN BARREIRO

XXIII City of Vigo International Optimist Meeting EXCELLENCE CUP

From 28th October to 31th October 2023

NOTICE OF RACE

The Atlantic Week hosts the City of Vigo Optimist International Meeting organized by the Real Club Náutico de Vigo by delegation of the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation and with the support of the Royal Galician Sailing Federation and Spanish and Galician International Optimist Class Associations. This regatta is an international event in their official calendars. City of Vigo International Optimist Meeting is the second event for Optimist Excellence Cup 2023- 2024.

The City of Vigo Meeting organized jointly with the City of Viana do Castelo Race, scoring both for the Atlantic Week Optimist Trophy.

In all the rules governing this event, [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 regatta will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. No National Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. Appendix P will apply.
- 1.4. [DP] Class Rules
- 1.5. [DP] Rules Equipment of Sailing.
- 1.6. RRS 90.3(e) applies
- 1.7. 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
- 1.8. [NP] [DP] Rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4 are changed as follows:
 - 1.8.1. 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."
 - 1.8.2. Add to the preamble of Part 4, after ‘racing’: “except rule 40 as amended by Sailing Instruction 2.8.1”.



- 1.9. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions
- 1.10. English is the Official Language of the Championship. If there is a conflict between languages the language of the original version of the relevant document will take precedence.
- 1.11. [NP] [DP] All the sailors and personal support shall follow any reasonable instruction given by a race officer.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available beginning Friday 29th October 2022 on the event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the sailing instructions.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The online official notice board online only and located at: [ATLANTIC WEEK- CIUDAD DE VIGO EXCELLENCE CUP 2023 \(sailti.com\)](https://www.sailti.com)
- 3.2. [DP] All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on international channels.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors and support persons on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1. Each Individual competitor may display advertising subject to WS Regulation 20.3.2 butas restricted by class rule 2.8
- 4.2. The Organizing Authority may require competing boats to carry event sponsor advertising on the hull as provided by WS Regulation 20.4.

5. ELEGIBILITY

- 5.1. All entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.
- 5.2. It is mandatory for all competitors to have a coach with rib in the regatta. The quota is max 10 sailor per coach and rib.
- 5.3. [NP] All Spanish sailors must have a Spanish Sailing Federation membership card valid for year 2022.
- 5.4. Competitors 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, 2007.
- 5.5. The regatta is limited a maximum of 500 entries. Entries will be accepted by the first come – first served principle and payment is mandatory at the moment of entry. No entry can be completed without payment

6. CLASSES

- 6.1. The regatta is reserved to boats of Optimist Class in different categories:
Category Under-16, Under-13, Under-11 (Promotion)
Sailors Under-11(Promotion), will be sail in the Highter category if they be able to sail in that category accrediting quality level always and when available places exist.



6.2. The Organizing Committee establishes a maximum number of entries under its criteria to provide a satisfactory event. This will be notified upon confirmation of registrations.

7. ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION

7.1. Entries and payments shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website , [ATLANTIC WEEK- CIUDAD DE VIGO EXCELLENCE CUP 2023 \(sailti.com\)](https://sailti.com)

7.2. There is limited number of entries for the International Optimist Meeting. An Official entry period is established as follows: upon the publication of this Notice of Race and to end at 19:00 h. on 16th October, 2023.

7.2.1. From the 16th October 2023, the organizing committee under its criteria an taking in consideration the latest ranking list, will publish on the official website, the confirmed pre entry list of the International Optimist Meeting. Registrations only be confirmed upon registration fee payment, before the entry deadline. All those registrations not accepted, will be reimbursed.

7.2.2. After 15th October will be not reimbursed the entries that they have been confirmed. Furthermore, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to accept entries received after the entry deadline. These entries will have to pay a 50% increment of the entry fee. All those registrations that have not complied with the payment by the established deadline will be considered to have exceeded the registration period.

7.3. The entry fee for sailor is: 75 €. For participants in both races, City of Vigo meeting and City of Viana do Castelo race, registration is 100 € both regattas.
The Entry fee for coach is 30 €

7.4. For accommodation and part of the maintenance, the Organizing Committee has managed a few special prices in hotels near the Club. To qualify them, they must provide the registration race to the hotel. Although they have hired a high number of squares, these are limited to exhausting the reserved number, which will be done in strict order of registration.

7.5. Each competitor or team representative, must personally register and sign the Registration Form at the Race Office before 20:00 h. on 28th October 2023. The register is subject to presentation of the following documents, before the time indicated:

- a) 2023 RFEV Federation Licence. The foreign sailors who do not have a sailing federation license or an athlete's medical insurance with accident coverage, will have to prove to possess an accident an illness insurance valid in Spain.
- b) Class card member accreditation.
- c) Parental permission or Tutored
- d) Insurance under civil law for a minimum amount of 300.500€ (foreign competitors).

7.6. Coaches and team support personnel shall provide the following documentation at onsite registration:

- Boat Driving License (if applicable)
- Evidence of valid third-party insurance
- 2022 RFEV Technical License (Spanish coaches ONLY)



8. SCHEDULE

8.1. The Schedule of the event is as follows:

| DAY | HOUR | ACT |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--|
| SATURDAY 28 OCTOBER | 15:00- 20:00 HRS 19:30 | RACE OFFICE OPEN AND REGISTRATION COACHES MEETING (MANDATORY) |
| SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER | 10:00- 12:00 HRS 13:00 | RACE OFFICE OPEN RACES |
| MONDAY 30 OCTOBER | 11:00 | RACES |
| THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER | 11:00 | RACES |

8.2. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600h.

9. RACING FORMAT, COURSES

9.1. If there are less than 90 sailors in categories U16 & U 13 the regatta will consist in an opening series, with more the fleet will be split in fleets and the regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

9.2. The course will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg. For U11 will be a windward leeward course near the Club, with a maximum of 9 races.

10. SCORING

10.1. The low-point scoring system RRS, will apply.

10.2. When 4 or more races are completed, 1 race score will be discarded.

11. SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

11.1. The support boat will have a mooring place reserved for them at the RCN Vigo during the event if they have previously registered at the Race office and handed in the following documents:

- Third parties insurance policy.
- Rib's registration certificate.
- Drivers (sailors) license to comply with the ribs characteristics.
- Sailing coach license or degree.

11.2. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel must wear a personal flotation device (PFD), properly always secured, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. All the coaches boats must carry VHF radio at all times while in the water. Organizing authority may make daily checks as part of the security protocol of the race.

11.3. All support boats shall register and shall prominently fly a National flag or a white flag with the three letters national code of the country/ies it supports, from a staff, at all times while on the water. No other flags shall be displayed by support boats.

12. MEASUREMENT[DP]

12. Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the regatta. Substitution of such equipment shall occur only with the Race Committee's approval.



12.2. There may be measurement on the water following each race. A number of boats may be spot checked after finishing the race.

12.3. All equipment may be subject to a safety check.

13. PRIZES

At least the following trophies will be awarded: :

Division Absolute: First 5 position from the overall.

Division "SUB-16 Boys": to the first 3 classified.

Division "sub-16 Girls": to the first 3 classified.

Division "SUB-13 Boys": to the first 3 classified.

Division "sub-13 Girls": to the first 3 classified.

Division "SUB-11 Boys": to the first 3 classified.

Division "sub-11 Girls": to the first 3 classified.

Division "Under-11 (promotion): to the 5 first classified.

14. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race.

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

14.1. 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;

14.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

14.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

14.4. By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

14.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

14.6. The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

14.7. The organizing authority 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.

15. INTERNATIONAL CITY OF VIANA DO CASTELO OPTIMIST RACE

After the Meeting of Vigo, will be held from 20th to 22 October 2023, the City of Viana do Castelo Meeting Optimist, scoring together for the Atlantic Week Trophy Challenge.

RCN Vigo, December 2022
Organising Committee