



CIRCOLO DELLA VELA BRINDISI



MARINA GOUVIA SAILING CLUB

39th INTERNATIONAL REGATTA "BRINDISI-CORFU" June 8 – 10 2025



NOTICE OF RACE

OFFSHORE RACE

VALID FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE ITALIAN OFFSHORE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

ABBREVIATIONS

In this Notice of Race (and in the subsequent Sailing Instructions), the following abbreviations are used:

- **NA/FIV** – National Authority
- **ONB** – Official Notice Board
- **OA** – Organizing Authority
- **OC** – Organizing Committee
- **NoR** – Notice of Race
- **RC** – Race Committee
- **PC** – Protest Committee
- **ICS** – International Code of Signals
- **TC** – Technical Committee
- **SI** – Sailing Instructions
- **PRO** – Principal Race Officer
- **RRS** – World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 / Rule
- **RS** – Regatta Secretariat
- **WS** – World Sailing

Notes:

[NP] – A breach of this rule cannot be protested by a boat (this modifies RRS 60.1).

1. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The regatta is organized under the authority of the Italian Sailing Federation (FIIV) by:

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2. RULES

2.1 The event will be governed by the current version of the following rules:

- a. The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS); RRS 90.3(e) applies.
- b. World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3 races, with mandatory self-inflating life raft certified for the number of persons onboard and an AIS transponder operational throughout the race.



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- c. FIV Offshore Regulation (for Italian boats only).
 - d. IMS-ORC regulations.
 - e. MULTI2000 rating rule for multihulls.
 - f. This Notice of Race and its amendments.
 - g. The Sailing Instructions and their amendments.
 - h. The experimental rule DR-21-01 ver. 2025/2028 will be in force.
- 2.2 **Start:** A boat starts when, after having been completely on the pre-start side of the starting line with her hull and having complied with rule 30.1 if applicable, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side:
- a) at or after the starting signal, or
 - b) during the last 60 seconds before her starting signal.
- 2.3 When a boat starts as per point (b), she shall not return to the pre-start side of the line, and the starting penalty will be 20% of the score calculated as prescribed by RRS 44.3(c).
- 2.4 Decisions of the Race Committee regarding this experimental rule shall not be grounds for a request for redress (modifying RRS 61.1(a)).
- 2.5 The OC reserves the right to amend this NoR until 20:00 on the day before the regatta by publishing a new version on the event's website www.brindisi-corfu.com. This notification complies with RRS 89.2(a).
- 2.6 In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the latter shall prevail in accordance with RRS 63.5. Official notices are included.
- 2.7 The official language of the regatta is Italian. Under W.S. Regulation 70.4, the competent National Authority is the Italian Sailing Federation.
- 2.8 From 20:30 to 05:30, the **International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGs)** will replace Part 2 of the RRS. All times mentioned in this NoR, SI, and any official communications will be in local time.
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3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

The SI will be available from **June 7, 2025, at 16:00** on www.brindisi-corfu.com and/or the **Racing Rules of Sailing** app (racingrulesofsailing.org).

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.2 The **Official Online Notice Board (ONB)** is at: <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/events/10753#>.
- 4.3 **[DP]** All boats must have a VHF radio capable of transmitting on channels **16, 72, and 74**.
- 4.4 Communications with participants during the start will be made via VHF on the channel specified in the SI.
- 4.5 **[DP]** Each boat must have at least one internet-connected device onboard.
- 4.6 **[DP]** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make voice or data transmissions nor receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats during the race.
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5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Eligible boats:
- Offshore boats with a valid **ORC certificate (International or Club)** and an inboard engine.
 - Multihulls with a valid **MULTI2000 certificate**, equipped with an inboard engine, complying with offshore navigation regulations of their respective country.
- 5.2 ORC yachts may be divided into classes/groups based on the number of entries.



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5.3 Eligible boats may register by completing the online entry form at www.brindisi-corfu.com and sending proof of payment via bank transfer (IBAN: **IT72G0526215900CC0201099058**) to iscrizioni@brindisi-corfu.com, specifying the payment reason, boat name, and sail number.

5.4 The following documents must be attached to the registration form:

- Proof of payment of the entry fee;
- A valid measurement certificate;
- A copy of the insurance policy with an expiration date beyond the end of the event and a minimum mandatory third-party liability (RC) coverage of **€1,500,000.00**, valid also during the regatta (this condition must be explicitly stated in the policy);
- A qualification to command sailing vessels with an auxiliary engine for unrestricted offshore navigation, held by the owner or their representative if the owner is not on board during the race;
- An advertising license, if applicable;
- For entrants in the **ORC X 2 Crew** category: a **WS Offshore Personal Training Course certificate** for at least one crew member;
- **Form "B"**: Declaration of belonging to the **ORC Gran Crociera** category;
- **Form "C"**: Crew list including a valid FIV membership number, handicap, and weight of each crew member, as per the current **FIV Offshore Regulations**;
- **Form "D"**: Declaration of Compliance;
- **Form "E"**: Risk Acknowledgment, in accordance with **RRS 3**, signed by all crew members;
- **Form "F"**: Declaration of Responsibility regarding mandatory safety equipment, in accordance with the current **WS OSR Category 3** (for ORC and Multihulls);
- **Form "G"**: Minor Authorization for all participants aged **over 12 and under 18**.

All forms are available on the regatta website.

5.5 Boats that have not completed their registration with all required documents by **June 3, 2025**, will not be admitted to the event.

6. ENTRY FEE

6.1 The entry fee is **€400.00** (non-refundable).

6.2 For registrations completed with all required documents and payment by **May 5, 2025**, the entry fee is **€350.00** (non-refundable).

7. CREW REQUIREMENTS & MEMBERSHIP

7.1 All **Italian crews** must be members of the **Italian Sailing Federation (FIV)** and have a valid medical certificate.

7.2 **Foreign crews** must comply with their respective national authorities' regulations.

7.3 Participants must be at least **12 years old** by **June 7, 2025, at 23:59**.

7.4 Participants under **18 years old** must present a **Minor Authorization Form** at registration.

8. ADVERTISING

8.1 Boats may be required to display advertising provided by the Organizing Committee (CO).

8.2 All **Italian boats** must include a valid **FIV advertising license** with their registration form if applicable.

8.3 **Foreign boats** must comply with their national authorities' advertising regulations if applicable.

8.4 Any boat intending to display advertising during the regatta—whether race yachts, support boats, or onshore—must declare it in the registration form. The **OC reserves the right to reject or withdraw a boat's entry** if the advertising does not comply with the **World Sailing Advertising Code**.



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9. LOCATION & SCHEDULE

9.1 The regatta start is scheduled for **12:00 on June 8, 2025**.

9.2 Preliminary schedule:

Date	Event
June 6 – 7	Measurement & checks
June 7 – 19:00	Regatta presentation ceremony– Brindisi Waterfront
June 8 – 09:00	Crew briefing
June 8 – 12:00	Regatta start
June 10 – 19:00	Award ceremony – Marina di Gouvia, Corfu

9.3 The **104-nautical-mile offshore race** from Brindisi to Corfu will be detailed in the **Sailing Instructions (SI)**.

9.4 The **Warning Signal** will be given at **11:50 on June 8, 2025**, and will be posted on the **Online Official Notice Board (ONB)** by **18:00 on the previous day**, along with an official Race Committee communication.

9.5 In case of adverse weather conditions, the **OC and Race Committee (RC)** may modify the course, which will be communicated during the pre-race briefing.

10. MEASUREMENT & EQUIPMENT CHECKS

10.1 Each boat must hold a valid measurement certificate issued **before 16:00 on the day before the start**.

10.2 The **Technical Committee (TC)** may inspect boats before and after the race.

10.3 [DP] The owner/skipper must complete and sign the **Responsibility Declaration Form**, confirming that all **safety equipment** is onboard and that the yacht complies with the measurement requirements.

10.4 All boats must be available at their assigned moorings for measurement checks:

- **Brindisi:** From **10:00 on June 6 to 16:00 on June 7**
- **Corfu:** Until **13:00 on June 10** (Marina di Gouvia) with the full crew onboard.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 The penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 shall be a One-Turn Penalty, including one tack and one gybe. This modifies RRS 44.1.

11.2 An International Jury shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 70.3.

12. SCORING

12.1 The scoring coefficient will be determined by the **Race Committee (RC)**, using the **Time on Distance** method.

12.2 Different interpretations cannot be used as a basis for a **request for redress**. (This modifies **RRS 61.1(a)**).

13. RESULTS & CLASSIFICATIONS

13.1 The following corrected time rankings will be calculated using the actual elapsed time, even in the case of staggered starts:



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- a. **ORC Overall;**
 - b. **ORC Classes: 0 - A - B - C;**
 - c. **Gran Crociera Category:** Ranking extracted from the "ORC Overall". Membership in the "Gran Crociera" group (requiring three mandatory pieces of equipment) must be declared at the time of race registration, specifying two additional pieces of equipment justifying this choice (as per the 2025 FIV Offshore Sailing Regulations).
 - d. **ORC X 2 Category:** For boats with an ORC "Double Handed" certificate.
 - e. **Multihull Class:** The ranking will be calculated using the rating issued by MULTI2000 ToT.
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14. PRIZES

Challenge Trophies & Awards for winners:

"Magna Grecia" Trophy – Challenge trophy for the **1st place ORC Overall skipper**

"Giovanni Caso" Trophy – Challenge trophy for the **1st place Multihull skipper**

Winners of challenge trophies must **return them to Circolo della Vela Brindisi by January 31, 2026** at their own expense and risk.

16. SUPPORT BOATS

16.1 [DP] **Support personnel must register by June 2, 2025, at 18:00**, providing:

- Support boat details
- Acceptance of **Support Personnel Rules** (as per SI)

16.2 Support boats must have a **marine VHF radio** and monitor the assistance channel. They must assist in emergencies and display an official **event accreditation sticker or flag**.

16.3 Accredited support personnel must follow **CO, RC, and PC** directives.

17. PARTICIPANTS' DRONES

17.1 [DP] Drones are **not allowed** in the regatta areas without prior written approval from the OC and compliance with local regulations.

17.2 The OC may impose restrictions on drone usage.

17.3 Drone operators are fully responsible for their flights and must share footage with the **Organizing Authority, Race Committee, or Protest Committee** if requested.

18. MOORINGS & SERVICES

18.1 **Free mooring** (will be available at the care and responsibility of the owner or skipper) for registered boats:

- **Brindisi:** City docks from **May 31 until race start**
- **Corfu:** Gouvia Marina from **June 9 to June 11**

18.2 Mooring assignments will be managed by **OC (Brindisi)** and **Gouvia Marina (Corfu)**.

19. HAUL-OUT & DIVING RESTRICTIONS

19.1 [DP] **No haul-outs** allowed during the event.

19.2 **Diving is strictly prohibited** near moorings under Italian maritime law.



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20. DATA PROTECTION

- 20.1 By participating, competitors grant the **OC and sponsors** the right to use their **image and video footage** without compensation.
- 20.2 Competitors may be requested for media interviews.
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21. LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

- 21.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or remain in the race is its own." Therefore, the participants are aware that sailing is regulated by art.2050 of the cc and that all participants must have a valid federal card that guarantees accident coverage, including death and permanent invalidity.
- 21.2 Foreign competitors must comply with any requirements of their own MNA and be in possession of accident coverage including death and permanent disability, as per the current FIV Regulations.
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22. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 22.1 The Regatta, according to the current regulation, does not have assistance in water except in case of emergency, for which is responsible the Maritime Authority (Harbour Office). For this reason, all vessels must have a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channels 16 (rescue channel), 72 and 74, in addition to the operational AIS transponder throughout the race;
- 22.2 As a result of a violation of behaviour or sportsmanship, the PC may also apply disciplinary actions for actions that occurred on the ground. The shipowner or his representative shall be responsible for the conduct of the crew.
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23. ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

[DP][NP] ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

Recalling the Basic Principle that mentions, "Participants are encouraged to minimize any negative environmental impact of the sport of sailing," it is recommended that the utmost care be taken to safeguard the environment at all times accompanying the practice of the sport of sailing before, during, and after the event. In particular, attention is drawn to RRS 47 -Waste Disposal- which verbatim states, "Competitors and support persons shall not deliberately litter the water. This rule applies at all times when in the water. The penalty for an infraction of this rule may be less than disqualification."

24. INSURANCE

- 24.1 Each boat must hold a **minimum €1,500,000 third-party liability insurance** valid for racing. Foreign boats must provide an **English or Italian insurance statement** confirming international coverage.
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25. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Side events & partner agreements will be published on www.brindisi-corfu.com.

Organizing Committee