Croatia Coast Cup 2024 – Sailing instructions

1. Rules:

- 1.1. WS Racing Rules of sailing will apply (RRS) 2021-2024 as well as the rules ion the Notice. In case of dispute, the sailing instructions will prevail, then the Notice and finally the RRS.
- 1.2. From 18:30 til 6:45 part 2 off RRS is replaced by International Regulations for Preventing Colisions at Sea (IRPCAS).
- 1.3. Sails do not have to be comply with sail numbers and national letters requirements as provided in RRS appendix G.
- 1.4. For Bavaria Cruiser 46 class, one design class rules of the OeSV apply.
- 1.5. The exclusions of liability provided for in the invitations for applications and accepted with the registration and/or participation apply. Participation in the regatta is not permitted without a disclaimer signed on site.

2. Information to competitors:

Notices to sailors will be posted on the online notice board. This is located on the website www.pitter-regatta.at/croatia-coast-cup/ and will be posted as well in the Telegram group of the Croatia Coast Cup 2024.

3. Changes to sailing instructions:

Changes to the sailing instructions will be announced on the online notice board no later than 4 hours before the start.

4. Signals ashore:

Signals ashore will be displayed on the race committee starting vessel, which will be moored at the pier.

5. Signals on the water:

"Orange" flag: In order to inform the participants of following starting procedure, the "Orange" flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least 5 minutes before the warning signal on the staff defining the starting line.

6. Crew list:

When registering (accreditation), each skipper must submit a complete crew list, which must be signed by the skipper.

Changes in the crew list require the approval of the race committee.

7. Race courses:

Navigation race Biograd - Polesana and Navigation race Polesana – Biograd Inshore race in Pula

The following courses and signals are planned

Numeral pennant 1 - Navigation course will be sailed. Course details will be given on briefing.

Numeral pennant 2 – Inshore race will be sailed. Course details will be given on briefing

8. Start line:

The starting line is between a cylindrical buoy on the port side and the staff with orange flag on the race committee vessel on the starboard side.

9. Starting signals:

Orange flag will be displayed at least 5 minutes before warning signal

Warning signal (5 minutes before the start):

For Bavaria Cruiser 46 (with Gennaker):

flag "Bavaria" displayed and 1 sound signal



For ORC with Spi and ORC without Spi:

"Pitter" flag displayed and 1 sound signal

Spitter

Preparatory signal (4 minutes before start): Flag "P", or "U" or "Black" and 1 sound signal

1 minute before the start

Preparatory flag removed and one sound signal.

Start:

Class flag removed and 1 sound signal.

10. Recalls:

Individual recall: Flag "X" and 1 sound signal.

General recall: "First substitute" and 2 sound signals.

In case of an individual recall at the start of long-distance navigational races:

Premature starters who meet their obligation to start correctly will receive a penalty of 15 minutes on the elapsed sailing time.

Premature starters who do not comply with their obligation to start correctly and were still behind the starting line 30 seconds before their start will receive a penalty of 180 minutes on the elapsed sailing time.

Premature starters who do not meet their obligation to start correctly and were not behind the starting line 30 seconds before their start will be scored as OCS. In case of a general recall at the start of long-distance navigational races: Premature starters who have been identified will receive a penalty of 15 minutes, which remains for that race.

11. Change off the course:

Signal flag "C" und 1 sound signal Signal. The changed course will be announced via radio on channel 72.

12. Shortening:

Signal flag "S" und 2 sound signals. The course ends at the mark where the race committee vessel is located. If this mark is an island, an additional buoy may be placed to define the finish line more precisely. Shortening of the race will be announced via radio (channel 72).

13. Retirement:

Boats, which retires from racing (RET) shall inform Race committee immediately. Failure to comply with this sailing instruction may be penalized in a protest hearing. [DP] [NP]

14. Finish:

The finish line is between the finishing mark and the blue flag displayed on race committee vessel. Finish line for each race will be defined in the supplementary diagrams.

The finish line must be crossed entirely. After crossing the finish line, boats have to keep clear of the finish line.

15. The Two-Turn Penalty:

The two-turn penalty according to RRS 44.1 und 44.2. will apply.

16. Time limit:

- 16.1. The course and time limit for the inshore race in Pula will be announced at the briefing in Pula.
- 16.2. The long distances races are valid regardless of whether a boat reaches the finish under sail within the time limit or not.
- 16.3. The time limit for the first long distance race is Tuesday, 15.10.2024, 11:00 in Polesana. The time limit for the second long distance race is Friday, 18.10.2024, 11:00 in Biograd.
- 16.4. If, according to tracking, the distance to the finish at a time is more than the distance specified in the corresponding line of the time limits, boat is entitled to start the engine immediately or every half hour afterwards and approach the

finish.

Boats that - if entitled - start the engine to reach the finish before the time limit expires, shall send a text message before starting the engine to +385 91 511 6955 or an email to regatta@sailnet.hr with the following information: Start number, skipper name, time, distance to the finish.

For these boats, the finish time is calculated according to the formula Calculated Finish Time = Elapsed sailing time before starting engine x Total distance / (Total distance - Missing distance to finish) x (1 + (Missing distance to finish / Total distance).

16.5. Boats that start their engine without authorization (e.g. without SMS / mail or before the limit line has reached them) will be scored as DNF, as well as boats that do not reach the finish line within the time limit either under engine or under sail.

17. Protests and penalties:

- 17.1. The end of the protest time is for each boat individually 90 minutes after the boat is moored in the harbour. If the boat docks after 7:00 p.m., the protest period is extended until 9:00 a.m. of the following day.
- 17.2. Protest forms are available from the race committee or at the info point.
- 17.3. A list of protests with scheduled hearing times will be published on the notice board. Hearings will be also announced via radio channel 72.
- 17.4. The protest committee may decide that penalties less than DSQ will be imposed for breaches of the RRS, class rules, sailing instructions or any other rules that apply. This instruction does not apply to breaches of rules from Part 2 (except RRS 23). This changes RRS 64.

18. Scoring:

Three races without a discard are scheduled, which will be scored equally. Scoring of One design classes / groups without handicap according to elapsed time. Scoring of the ORC class with spinnaker and the orc class without spinnaker according to ORC Club Performance Curve.

Overall scoring according to Appendix A of RRS.

19. Start numbers / Organizer advertising:

The two start numbers issued during registration (accreditation) must be affixed to the starboard and port sea rails directly behind the pulpit in such a way that they can be clearly and easily visible.

Boats whose start number is glued to the hull are excluded from this instruction.

20. Tracking system:

Participants must connect the handed over tracking device to the 12V on-board power supply with the cable. Individual boats (for which the reception at the chart table is not sufficient) may be asked to attach the tracking device to the stern railing with the carabiner (please do not tape it).

After crossing the finish line of the race to Biograd, the tracking device together with the charging cable and cover must be returned.

21. Logbook:

Regardless of tracking, a logbook sheet must be filled out to the best of your knowledge and belief and handed in at the Info Point after the finish line in the port.

The logbook sheet also contains the race statement, which must be signed by the skipper and co-skipper.

22. Engine Use, Tank:

- 22.1. The use of the enegine to generate electricity is allowed.

 Engine use as propulsion or braking is prohibited during the race.
- 22.2. The diesel tanks must be full at the start in Biograd and Polesana.

23. Radio communication:

The radio communication between the participants and the race committee will be on VHF channel 72.

The race officer is also available via mobile phone +385 91 511 6955.

24. Internet:

The use of the Internet, in particular to receive weather information and to observe opponents in the tracking system is specifically permitted.

25. Anchor and anchor chain:

The anchor must remain operational at the bow for safety reasons. This changes article 3 "Anchor and anchor chain" in the rules for One design classes of the OeSV

26. Pictures and video recordings

Participants agree that recordings may be made of the participating boats and crew on the water and ashore which may be used, broadcasted or printed without restriction in image and sound

27. Liability

The organizer, organizer and their assistants are not liable for damage ashore or on the water, to persons, boats and any other items. Participation in the regatta is at all participants own risk and responsibility. The organizers are expressly excluded from any liability.