

## BARCOLANA 53

### NOTICE OF RACE - BARCOLANA 2021

#### Organizing Authority

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#### 1 - RULES

1.1 The Rules defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing shall apply (henceforth RRS).

1.2 The Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) prescriptions shall apply. Class rules shall not apply, except for the Meteor category should they form their own category.

1.3 The Regatta is ranked as Category 4, as defined in section 2, subsection 2.01.5 of the WS (World Sailing) Offshore Special Regulations (OSR).

1.4 Any official notice by either the Organizing Authority, the Race Committee or the Jury, including amendments to this Notice of Race and to the Sailing Instructions, will be posted on the online Official Notice Board before 9 p.m. on the day preceding the regatta. In the event of conflict between languages, the Italian text will take precedence.

1.5 Protests shall be heard by an International Jury appointed for this purpose in accordance with Appendix N of the RRS. Its decisions will be unappealable as approved by FIV.

#### Amendments to the Rules and special requirements

1.6 RRS 49 "Crew position; Lifelines" shall apply. No devices shall be used for the outboard projection of any crew member. It is therefore forbidden to use deck extensions, trapezes or hiking straps to position the torso of a crew member outside lifelines except briefly to execute necessary tasks.

1.7 RRS 31 "Touching a mark" is changed as follows: "A boat may touch a mark but it shall not hold on to it. While racing, boats must not touch a Race Committee vessel which is also a mark".

1.8 Each yacht shall be equipped with an inboard or outboard engine, in running condition and adequate for the propulsion of the yacht.

1.9 After the starting signal, all the propulsion-engines shall be turned off (gear disengagement is not sufficient).

1.10 After the starting signal, all outboard engines shall be removed or placed in vertical position.

1.11 After the preparatory signal, the anchor shall neither be placed on the yacht's bow nor shall it overhang her hull.

1.12 Crew members younger than 18 years old shall wear life jackets for the entire duration of the race. This changes RRS 40, "Personal Flotation Devices".

1.13 All yachts shall carry a VHF marine radio using channel 9 or a portable FM radio.

1.14 Competitors shall not wear or carry clothing or equipment that may increase their weight (see RRS 50.1 "Competitor Clothing and Equipment").

1.15 A boat shall not protest another boat for an alleged breach of RRS 56.2, "Traffic Separation Schemes". This changes RRS 60.1.(a).

1.16 RRS 51 "Movable ballast" is changed, permitting the use of movable ballast (water or dead weight including the keel); for this purpose, manual power or the use of pumps driven by engine(s) not used for propulsion and not connected to the propeller shaft are allowed. For safety reasons, yachts with a retractable center board shall keep it fully extended at all times during the race.

1.17 Recently designed and built yachts which can demonstrate that they require one engine only for hydraulic and electric rigging, ballast movement (canting keel) and propulsion due to the high power needed, can request permission from the Organizing Authority to use the engine exclusively for rigging and moving ballast also when racing. This changes RRS 52, "Manual Power".

1.18 Any breach of points 1.6 – 1.17 of the Notice of Race, of part II or IV of the RRS or of any rule of the Sailing Instructions shall result in a 30% position penalty decided in line with RRS 44.3 (c), moving back of at least 6 positions in the Category ranking. Boats penalized with more than 2 penalties shall be disqualified. Penalties for breaches of class rules and Notice of Race 1.23 and 1.24 (FIV safety protocol) shall be at the discretion of the Jury and may range between 0 points and disqualification. Any other breach shall result in disqualification.

1.19 Any breach of RRS 28 "Sailing the Course", RRS 42, "Propulsion", RRS 49, RRS 50 and Notice of Race 1.14, "Competitor Clothing and Equipment", Notice of Race 1.7 (holding onto a buoy), Notice of Race 1.9 (engine turned on), Notice of Race 1.10 (outboard engines positioning), Notice of Race 1.11 (anchor on the bow), Notice of Race 1.12 (life jackets) and Notice of Race 8 (Cruising Class) established by the Race Committee or by the Jury shall result in a penalty without hearing, as set out in section 1.18. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS Appendix A5.1.

1.20 Infringements to Notice of Race 1.9 (engine turned on), Notice of Race 1.10 (outboard engines positioning), Notice of Race 1.11 (anchor on the bow), Notice of Race 1.23 and 1.24 (FIV safety protocol), Notice of Race 13 (Mooring Managed by the Organizing Authority) and RRS 47 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat; nevertheless, these Infringements may be sanctioned as per Notice of Race 1.19. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

1.21 A boat is not required to display a red flag in order to protest another boat. This changes RRS 61.1(a)

1.22 Should the Organizing Authority or Race Committee decide that the weather conditions may be dangerous, yachts belonging to some categories may be excluded from the race. The excluded boats shall not be allowed to enter the racing area, nor to request redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b)

1.23 The FIV safety protocol will apply as in force on the date of the regatta. The document can be found on the website [www.federvela.it](http://www.federvela.it).

1.24 The racing activities must be carried out in accordance with the provisions in force on the date of the regatta, regarding the contrast and containment of the diffusion of COVID-19, issued by the FIV or any other authority, which the Organizing Authority will activate and to which the participants must comply, under the supervision of the Organizing Authority itself. Any cases of COVID-19 that should be detected during the event will be reported to the competent sanitary authority.

1.25 Reasonable actions by the organizing authority or 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 and hence will not be grounds for redress.

1.26 RRS 90.3(e) will apply. The time will be 24 hours for actions initiated by competitors, 2 weeks for all the others.

1.27 The notice board will be on-line only and competitors may be required to attend hearings online and not in person. It is up to the competitors to have an internet-enabled device to monitor the notice board and eventually participate to hearings.

## 2 - Advertising

2.1 Boats are allowed to display advertising in compliance with WS Regulation 20 (Advertising Code). Italian competitors shall have a specific license issued by FIV for the display of advertising. ([www.federvela.it](http://www.federvela.it) advertising area) Boats taking part in the race may be required to display the advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

### 3 - Eligibility

3.1 The race is open to monohull yachts complying with this Notice of Race. Boats will be grouped into Categories on the basis of their overall length (LOA). Within these categories there will be a "CRUISING" class as per NoR 8. Each boat will be assigned to a class and a category by the Organizing Authority. No boat can request redress on this matter. This changes RRS.60.1(b).

3.2 Multihulls, boats belonging to Olympic classes, dinghies or similar even if altered, are not entitled to enter the race. Hydrofoil sailboats can enter the race only if authorized by the Organizing Authority and shall abide to all the rules and limitations established by the Organizing Authority. Hydrofoil sailboats shall request authorization at least 15 days before registration.

3.3 Boats which do not comply with current construction norms and do not observe the safety equipment rules of the WS Special Regulations for Category IV races (such as pulpits, stanchions, self-emptying bilges, etc.) and which do not comply with safety regulations of the Italian Maritime Authority for offshore sailing within 3 nautical miles from the coast, are not entitled to enter the race. The Organizing Authority may request a rating certificate proving that the boat complies with WS rules both when entering the race and after the race until the official result list is posted.

3.4 If the rating certificate is not provided within one day after it has been requested or if it is not available, the boat shall be disqualified without a hearing (this changes RRS 63.1, 78.2 and RRS Appendix A5.1).

3.5 Yachts with a width greater than 40% of LOA for categories Mega Yacht, Super Maxi, Maxi, 0 and 1, greater than 45% of LOA for categories 2, 3, 4, and 5 and greater than 50% of LOA for categories 6, 7, 8 and 9 are not entitled to enter the race.

3.6 Monohull one-design yachts belonging to a class association whose safety regulations have been verified and accepted by the Organizing Authority may enter the race. Nevertheless, the boat must comply with the safety regulations set forth by the Italian Maritime Authority.

3.7 Boats with a LOA smaller than 5.95m may enter the race if approved by the Organizing Authority, "Passere" and "Gozzi" boats shall have a LOA longer than 5.95m.

3.8 Boats belonging to the "Passere" category may be exempted from the above mentioned safety specifications regarding pulpits, stanchions, self-emptying bilges, etc. as long as they comply with the safety regulations of the Italian Maritime Authority.

3.9 All yachts shall have a license for sailing as required by the Italian Maritime Authority, or they shall have a valid measurement issued by the Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) or by their own National Authority, provided that it is officially recognized by WS. The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee may accept, exclude or cancel the entry of a yacht for safety reasons and/or if she does not comply with the spirit and the specifications of this Notice of Race (RRS 76, Exclusion of boats or competitors).

### 4 – Licenses

4.1 The event is open to all competitors complying with the WS Eligibility code (section II, regulation 19, Appendix 3).

4.2 Italian competitors shall meet specific FIV requirements in order to enter the Regatta.

## 5 – Registration

5.1 The registration deadline is at 7.00 pm on September 30th 2021 in one of the methods described below. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to modify the registration closing date and methods.

5.2 The registration will be valid only if completed with:

- registration form filled and signed in all its parts
- crew list
- copy of the insurance
- payment of the entry fee as described in the table below

The sailing instructions will be available on the official notice board not later than October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

5.3 Registration procedure

Registration opens from June 29<sup>th</sup> 2021 from the website [www.barcolana.it](http://www.barcolana.it) following the "Register" link.

## 6 – Ecological Person in Charge

6.1 The helmsman of the boat, unless otherwise indicated during the registration phase, will take on the role of "Ecological Person in Charge" whose function is to promote environmental sustainability during the race. This changes RRS 4.4.

## 7 – Boats categories and entry fees

7.1 Boats will be divided into the following categories:

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Overall length (LOA) m</b>	<b>Entry fee</b>
MEGA YACHT	over 24.01 m	Euro 1.500,00
SUPER MAXI	from 19.01 m to 24.00 m	Euro 1.100,00
MAXI	from 16.01 m to 19.00 m	Euro 750,00
0	from 13.51 m to 16.00 m	Euro 360,00
I	from 12.01 m to 13.50 m	Euro 210,00
II	from 11.11 m to 12.00 m	Euro 150,00
III	from 10.26 m to 11.10 m	Euro 110,00
IV	from 9.41 m to 10.25 m	Euro 110,00
V	from 8.46 m to 9.40 m	Euro 95,00
VI	from 7.71 m to 8.45 m	Euro 95,00
VII	from 7.11 m to 7.70 m	Euro 75,00
VIII	from 6.46 m to 7.10 m	Euro 70,00
IX	up to 6.45 m	Euro 60,00
PASSERE	Passere and Gozzi	Euro 60,00
METEOR		Euro 60,00

7.2 Meteor will form their own category with at least 30 entries. Otherwise, they will be included in the corresponding category according to their LOA. The Organizing Authority may still decide to form this category with less than 30 entries.

7.3 The entry fee is not meant as payment for the provision of a service, but is aimed to help cover the organizational costs of the Regatta.

7.4 The entry fee will be refunded if the event will be cancelled due to the consequences of a sanitary emergency. However, 15.00 € will be withheld as a contribution to organization expenses.

## 8 – Cruising class

8.1 A boat is defined as a “cruiser” and thus can be included in the “Cruising” class if she meets the following conditions:

- she has been mainly designed for this purpose with a special layout and accommodation offering a comfortable and long stay on board, permanently maintaining all the original and/or additional cruising equipment during the race.
- the following ratio between sail area (mainsail + genoa), expressed in square meters, divided by ((displacement divided by 1026) and then raised to 2/3) is lower than 38.

8.2 Boat owners whose vessels can be classified as “cruisers” because of their construction features, rigging, equipment and use (as set out before), shall specify this on the entry form. Such yachts shall be included in the “cruising” class within each category and shall compete for class prizes and the Generali Trophy for the first “cruising” boat overall.

8.3 A special commission within the Organizing Authority shall assess whether the yacht meets the requirements, spirit and features of the “cruising” class. This may be done either upon registration or at a later moment. The decision of the commission shall be final and the boat shall not request redress. This changes RRS 60.1.b.

8.4 Boats entering the race in the “Cruising” class are not allowed to use headsails which are not hoisted on the forestay (see RRS 55.4 for the definition of Head Sail: “the width of a headsail, measured between the midpoints of its luff and leech, is less than 75% of the length of its foot”). As a non-exhaustive example Drifters or Code Zeros are not allowed while Gennakers and Spinnakers (even if furlable) are allowed.

## 9 - Program

9.1 The start of the race is at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday 10th October 2021.

## 10 – Overall length measurements

10.1 The person in charge for registering the boat for the regatta shall specify ‘bona fide’ the boat overall length (LOA) on the entry form.

10.2 The overall length is defined as the hull length according to WS Equipment Rules of Sailing 2021 - 2024 Rule D.3.1, excluding rudder, bowsprit, spinnaker and whisker poles, pulpits and other fittings projecting from the hull.

10.3 Should the data indicated on the entry form be incorrect following a measurement, the Jury may consider such event a “Misconduct”, and consequently take action according to WS RRS 69, notifying the incident to the competitor’s MNA.

10.4 The Race Committee may require a measurement of the overall length of yachts before or after the race on its own initiative or after having received a protest by a competitor.

## **11 – Sailing instructions**

11.1 Sailing Instructions will be available online at [www.barcolana.it](http://www.barcolana.it) and possibly shipped to the address inserted on the registration form.

## **12 – Venue and courses**

12.1 The Regatta will be raced on a fixed marks course in the Gulf of Trieste, with the starting line positioned between the Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano Club house and Miramare Castle.

## **13 – Moorings Managed by the Organizing Authority**

13.1 Only boats authorized by the Organizing Authority will be allowed to dock in moorings managed by the Organizing Authority. Boats wishing to dock there shall request it on the registration form. The Organizing Authority may authorize these boats to use these moorings up to the maximum of admissible spaces. Mooring procedures will be published on the Official Notice Board.

13.2 Boats arriving from the municipalities of Duino-Aurisina, Monfalcone, Muggia and Trieste will not get authorization to dock in moorings managed by the Organizing Authority. However, it is at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority to make exceptions for specific boats.

## **14 – Rankings, prizes and prize-giving**

14.1 Overall, Category and Class rankings will be scored according to the real time finishing order. Prizes, cups and trophies will be awarded as described in the Appendix “Cups and Trophies” attached to this Notice of Race.

14.2 The prize-giving ceremony will take place in Trieste. Time and date will be announced later on.

## **15 – Radio communication**

15.1 Except in an emergency, while racing a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications which are not available to all boats.

## **16 – Liability**

16.1 The Organizing Authority, the Race Committee and the Jury decline any liability for material damage or personal injury that may occur at sea as well as ashore in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Regatta.

16.2 Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in or to continue racing is hers alone. Competitors are advised to carefully assess weather conditions and risks related to the event, relying on the information provided by the Organizing Authority through the website [www.barcolana.it](http://www.barcolana.it), social media and during the competitors' briefing session, which will take place in Trieste the day before the race.

16.3 Admittance to the Regatta does not imply that the Organizing Authority shall be in any way responsible for the crews' sailing skills. The safety of the yacht and its crew is the sole responsibility of the yacht owner, his/her representative or the skipper, and is not transferable; s/he shall do everything possible to guarantee the sound condition of the hull, mast, sails, engine and all other material and equipment; s/he must also guarantee that the entire crew is capable of participating in the race and is aware of the use and location of life-saving equipment. Each race participant is responsible for his/her own safety and is advised to wear a personal flotation device which is adequate for the race.

## 17 - Insurance

17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of euro 1,500,000.00.