



PRE NOTICE OF RACE

O'PEN BIC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

29th July to 4th August 2018

TO BE HELD AT

ARENYS DE MAR, BARCELONA

<http://worlds2018.openbicclass.org>

Organized by:

Club Nàutic d'Arenys de Mar

in co-operation with the

Bic Sport & O'pen Bic Class Association



GO SAILING!



1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The OBCA Class Rules - apply.
- 1.3 The 4.5 sqm sail will be used in the U17 and U13 divisions. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 The [Open Bic Addendum Q](#) approved by World Sailing under RRS 86.2 and allowing umpiring on the water for all races, will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for breaking Rule 42, applies with the following changes – RRS P2.3 will not apply, and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. World Sailing Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 The participating age divisions, open to both boys and girls, shall be:
 - 3.1.1 UNDER 13 - born in 2006, or not later than 2009.
 - 3.1.2 UNDER 17 - born in 2002, or not later than 2005.
- 3.2 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Competitors shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of their O'pen Bic National Class Association, if any, which shall be a paid up member of the international O'pen Bic Class Association.
- 4.3 A competitor shall have participated in their National O'pen Cup, or a National Championship of any World Sailing member class, prior to this event.
- 4.4 Eligible competitors may [enter online](#) - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required. **Online entry will close on 24th July 2018.**
- 4.5 An entry is not valid until paid.
- 4.6 All competitors requiring a charter boat shall first [confirm the allocation with OBCA](#). Go to Additional Information in this NoR for further details of the Charter Service.
- 4.7 The following shall be presented upon registration at the race office:
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance (see also NoR #18)
 - Proof of age
 - [Parental Agreement Form](#) - *for those under age of 18*

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The required competitor entry fee is **200 euro**.
- 5.2 **A discount of 40 euro will be applied to entries, with payment, received by 30th March 2018.**

- 5.3 Late payments received, and late entries accepted, after 30th June will be charged an entry fee of 240 euro.
- 5.4 Entry fees paid by bank transfer to:
 Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association
 Bank Details: Barclays Bank Plc, GB
 IBAN: GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99
 SWIFTBIC: BARCGB22
 Please include "**OBCAWC**" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment to: iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com
- 5.5 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash – euros.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The number of races for both divisions will be at the discretion of the Race Committee after consultation with the Class Representative.
- 6.2 Boys and girls shall race together.
- 6.3 Divisions may race as one fleet or in groups depending upon entry numbers.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship for each division.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1

Sunday 29 July	10:00–18:00	Registration, equipment inspection, charter distribution
Monday 30 July	09:00-13.00 19:00	Late registration equipment inspection, charter distribution Opening Ceremony
Tuesday 31 July	10:30 13:00	Skipper meeting Racing
Wednesday 1 August	12:00	Racing
Thursday 2 August	12:00	Team Racing Freestyle
Friday 3 August	12:00	Racing
Saturday 4 August	11:00 16:00 18:00	Racing Last possible warning signal Prize giving and closing ceremony
Sunday 5 August		Departure

- 7.2 The first possible warning signal for each day will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 20:00 of the preceding day. The first day of regatta the possible warning signal is at 13.00.
- 7.3 The Social Event Programme will be available at event registration.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.2 Upon completion of registration and until the end of the event, at all times when ashore except when launching and retrieving, all equipment shall be kept in their assigned places at event site. Removal of any equipment from the event site requires prior written approval from the race committee. Access to equipment in the storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.
- 8.3 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with WCR Appendix N. Their decisions shall be final as provided by RRS 70.5.

12 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A, except for the discard profile. If 4 races have been completed a boat may discard their worst score; if 9 races have been completed a boat may discard their two worst scores.

13 COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 Coaches and support personnel may [register online](#) - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.
- 13.2 The registration fee is 50 euro.
- 13.3 Coach boat charter is available, please contact TR Tornado Ribs, info@tornadoribsteam.org or +34 609 764 877

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for every competitor and support boat crew member at all times while afloat except, briefly, while changing clothes.

- 14.2 Every competitor and support boat crew member shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first five competitors of each properly constituted division.
15.2 The first competitor in each division shall be declared – **“O’pen Bic (division) World Champion”**.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event’s social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion – “smart casual” is required. **Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non-attendance at the prize giving ceremony.**

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a **minimum cover of 1,500,000 euro per event or the equivalent.**

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 20.1 Registration will take place at race office located at Base Nàutica Arenys de Mar
20.2 For further information please contact: Club Nàutic Arenys de Mar

Tel: +34 93 792 16 00

Email: info@cnarenys.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A CHARTER SERVICE

BIC Sport will provide and manage a charter service for participants: **Complete Boat with sail Charter Fee: 250 euro.**

Charter boats and sails will be allocated by the International O'pen BIC Class Association, and may be limited to **International competitors only** – ie those travelling from outside of Europe will have priority.

To apply contact secretary@openbicclass.org - before completing an entry form.

A deposit of 200 euro shall be paid to cover any damage to the equipment. This deposit will be collected when charter is issued, and reimbursed to the competitor upon the return of the charter equipment in good condition at the end of the event.

Charter boats will be available from **Friday 27th July 2018 – priority will be given to competitors also entered in the Euro Challenge event scheduled 28th/29th July.**

B TRAVEL & TRANSFERS

Arenys de Mar is 60km away from Barcelona Airport and 40km away from Girona-Costa Brava Airport.

The port is accessible from Barcelona by the highway N-II or the C-32 motorway, and from Girona by the Ap-7 motorway or C-61 road.

The Club is also accessible by train. The commuter train R1 line makes the journey from the centre of Barcelona in 50 minutes, departing every 30 minutes from Barcelona centre Plaça Catalunya or Sants station.

C ACCOMMODATION

We suggest you to book your accommodation with very large advance, as the championship will be held in the touristic high season.

Hotel agreement with limited room capacity:

HOSTAL PORTOFINO

Located in the centre of the town, offers:

- 10 Double rooms at 90€/night (breakfast included)
- 3 Triple rooms at 130€ (breakfast included)
- 2 rooms for four at 150€

It also offers two apartments for rent, one for 5 persons for 200€ without breakfast, and the other for 6 persons for 250€ without breakfast.

Contact information:

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portofinoarenys@hotmail.com

DYNAMIC HOTELS

Located in the nearby town, specialised in sports tourism.

Reserved until the 15th of March:

- Double room (with breakfast) at 90€/night

- Triple room (with breakfast) at 115€/night

Reserved after the 15th of March:

- Double room (with breakfast) at 105€/night

- Triple room (with breakfast) at 130€/night

Contact information:

www.dyhotels.com

+34 931 160 660

D VENUE

Arenys de Mar is located in the heart of the Catalan coast, ashore the Mediterranean, only 40km away from Barcelona. It enjoys a maritime Mediterranean climate with mild, humid winters and warm to hot summers, around 22-27°C, cooled by sea breezes. The gentle climate throughout the year allows locals and tourists to practice all types of sports and activities in the open air from January to December.

The wind in the central Catalan Mediterranean coast is usually generated thermally and comes in around 12 at noon from the south east up to mostly force 3 and even force 4. The clouds may prevent the thermal winds from kicking in, then, the wind from the east may come in.

The town of Arenys de Mar, located in the coast of the Mediterranean, is a lively village with several shops, restaurants and quiet beach bars that lightens up in summer with plenty of things to do. In the town of Arenys one can go historical sightseeing, take a hike in the mountain nearby, the Montnegre, bike along the coast, and go out sailing, kayaking or with stand up paddle. There is plenty to do for sailors and non-sailors.