



2022 ILCA
Open European and Masters European Championship
October 18-23, 2022



ORGANIZING AUTHORITY AND VENUE

The “2022 Open European and Masters European Championship” is organized by the Nautathletic Club of Alexandroupolis under the auspices of International Lightning Class Association and the authority of the Hellenic Sailing Federation.

The Championship will be held on Thracian Sea in the proximity of port of Alexandroupolis.

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021– 2024*, the ILCA Constitution, By-Laws, Lightning Specifications and the Document Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships (hereafter referred to as Document Governing).

1.2. Only the Hellenic Sailing Federation Prescription to the RRS No1 will apply:

«In RRS 40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES is added: All participants at a race, including competitors, support personnel and race officials on board speed boats/ribs shall wear a PFD during the races».

1.3. The following rules below will be changed/will apply and will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions (SI's). The SI's may also change other racing rules.

1.3.a. RRS 42.3(c) is changed to say: “Except on a beat to windward, when surfing down the leeward side of a wave or planning is possible, a boat’s crew may pull pump the sheet, but not the guy, controlling any sail to initiate surfing or planning, but only once for each wave or gust of wind. When the mainsail is pumped, only that part of the sheet between the crew member handling the sheet and the first block on the boom shall be used. (Amended 7/25/13).

1.3.b. RRS 60.1(b), 63.1, 63.6, and 66 are changed to permit Protest Arbitration.

1.4. This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

1.5. RRS 63.7 will be replaced by: “If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and a rule in the Sailing Instructions, the rule in the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence”.

1.6. If there is a conflict between languages the English language will take precedence.





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1.7. INFORMING THE RACE COMMITTEE.

A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee.

1.8. CHANGES IN HEARING PROCEDURES

This rule applies to all hearings except hearings under RRS 69. If the protest committee is able to assemble the parties to a hearing before the protest or redress time limit, it may begin the hearing and may waive the requirements of RRS 61.2 or 62.2.

1.9. The ILCA document governing is implemented as follows:

1.9.a. VIII.3: Time limit shall be two (02) hours. If no boat rounds the first mark within forty-five (45) minutes, the race shall be abandoned and, if possible, resailed.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1. Competitor advertising will be according to World Sailing Regulation 20 and according to Article VIII, paragraph 2 of the Document Governing; advertising on sails is not permitted.

2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA).

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. The regatta is open to boats of the Lightning Class.

3.2. The skipper must be Life or Active Member or Associate of the ILCA. Crew must be Life, Active, Associate or Crew Members of the ILCA

3.3. Competitors must meet the requirements of RRS 75.1

3.4. Master qualifications: The skipper must be at least 50 years old and the total crew age must be at least 130 years as of 31st Dec 2022.

3.5. Boats meeting the criteria may simultaneously compete in European and Masters Championships.

3.6. Boats must hold a valid Measurement Certificate, and must display a valid mast royalty decal. Measurement certificates must be presented at time of measurement.





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4. CONTACT DETAILS

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5. ENTRIES

5.1. Registration forms are available from the N.C Alexandroupolis secretariat. Registrations may also be completed on-line in the following site:

<https://lightningeuropeans2022.noalex.gr/>

5.2. A completed entry form must be sent to secretary@noalex.gr or completed online no later than September 30 2022, accompanied with the entry fee to be paid to the Nautathletic Club of Alexandroupolis (NOA) at the following bank account:

Piraeus Bank : Beneficiary: Nautathletic Club of Alexandroupolis

IBAN : GR51 0172 3500 0053 5000 4336 177 // SWIFT/BIC : PIRBGRAA





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(please include the skipper's name and/or Sail Number in the bank transfer order).

5.3. Entry forms received after September 30 will be subject to a late fee (as per NOR 7.1.b)

5.4. Entries will be accepted until October 18, 2022.

5.5. Competitors should also indicate the expected number of accompanying parents, friends and coaches to help the OA plan trips and events accordingly.

5.6. Copies of the following documents must be submitted either by e-mail to secretary@noalex.gr or at registration:

5.6.a. Valid International Measurement Certificate

5.6.b. Confirmation of Club membership or license and a valid proof of identity, e.g. passport.

5.6.c. ILCA Membership Card.

5.6.d. Confirmation of third-party liability insurance as per NOR 24 (€540.000,00)

6. REGISTRATION

6.1. Registration and measurement of boats and sails will be held from 09:00 to 17:00 on October 18. Measurement will continue also on October 19 from 09:00 to 14:00.

6.2. All competitors, coaches and support personnel shall complete onsite registration at N.C Alexandroupolis before October 18 2022, 17:00 hrs.

7. FEES

7.1. Required fees are as follows:

7.1.a. €300 per boat, payable by bank transfer until entry closing date the latest.

7.1.b. Entry forms received after September 4 will be subject to a late fee of €60,00 per boat (€360,00 totally).

7.1.c. Payment at the Regatta Office in cash or by credit card is possible, but the entry will then be considered as a late entry.





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8. SCHEDULE

Tuesday October 18	Registration, Boats & Sails Measurement 09:00-18:00
Wednesday October 19	Boats & Sails Measurement 09:00-15:00 Practice Race 16:00 Opening Ceremony and Reception at N.O.A 20:30
Thursday October 20	Races - 1st Warning signal TBA
Friday October 21	Races - 1st Warning signal TBA
Saturday October 22	Races - 1st Warning signal TBA- Price giving and Closing Ceremony at N.O.A TBA
Sunday October 23	Reserved day. Tour at Evros River 10:00-14:00 (to be confirmed)

- 8.1. No warning signal will be given on Saturday, October 22, 2022 after 16:00.
- 8.2. Total number of races: 9
- 8.3. No more than 3 races will be sailed each day, unless specified differently by race committee.
- 8.4. The Race Committee may adjust the sailing schedule to suit the weather conditions.

9. MEASUREMENTS

- 9.1. Boats, sails, spars and equipment may be measured and inspected in accordance with ILCA By Laws Article VIII.
- 9.2. A maximum of one (1) main, two (2) jibs and two (2) spinnakers will be measured and approved for the Regatta. All sails shall have Official ILCA Royalty Labels. Mainsail and spinnaker numbers shall be the same. Competitor mainsails are required to display the competitor's country designation.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the N.C Alexandroupolis Secretariat during the registration.
- 10.2. Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one month prior the Championship on the event website <https://lightningeuropeans2022.noalex.gr/> and on official notice board at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/>





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11. VENUE

Sailing Venue: The races will take place in Thracian Sea, in the proximity of the port of Alexandroupolis.

12. THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be windward - leeward.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1. Appendix P will apply.

13.2. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

13.3. After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). However, RRS 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The Post-Race Penalty shall be

13.3.a. 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or

13.3.b. 30%, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

13.4. Insert a new sentence after the second sentence of RRS 44.1: "When an infringing yacht has its spinnaker drawing at the time of the infringement, drops it completely while taking her penalty, and resets it immediately and has it drawing after the penalty, the penalty is a One-Turn Penalty."

14. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

15. SCORING

15.1. The Low point system of RRS Appendix A will apply.





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15.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

15.3. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores

15.4. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. SUPPORT BOATS

16.1. Support boats shall be registered at the Race Committee before the beginning of the event and comply with the Support Boat Regulation for the Championship.

16.2. Support boats will be part of the security arrangement for the event.

16.3. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside the racing area (defined as 100 meters outside the laylines of the course including the starting area) from the warning signal, until the last boat has finished the last race of the day. If a support boat fails to comply this requirement, they may be reported to the Protest Committee.

17. CHARTER BOATS:

Organizing authority will announce charter boats availability through the event website <https://lightningeuropeans2022.noalex.gr/> in due time.

18. BERTHING

Berths for all the boats will be available at N.OA facilities and at the new floating pontoons at the small harbor of Alexandroupolis close to the club's facilities (TBC). Fenders and mooring lines will be required.

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

The organizing authority will decide in time, about the hauling out of the boats depending on the availability of berths at the floating pontoon. In any case at least one crane will be available for the boats.

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.





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21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

21.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

21.2. Use of hand held VHF radios will be permitted for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined (European VHF) channel to be specified in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS boats after starts and otherwise communicate with the fleet on the water. Failure to receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or receive other communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress (this changes RRS 62).

22. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

22.1. Trophies will be awarded to the top three skippers and crews of the Open European and Masters European Championships.

22.2. The Perpetual trophy COPA CITTA DI NAPOLI will be awarded to the Winner of the 2022 European Championship and the DISTRICT OF FINLAND Perpetual Trophy to the Runner up (dedicated to crews/boats from Europe only).

22.4. Other trophies may be awarded in different categories of competitors.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

23.1. The Organizers, any Committee of the Regatta and any other person involved in the organization of the 2022 ILCA Open European and Masters European Championship, neither accepts any liability nor can be otherwise held liable for any physical or material damage, loss or claim, injury or death of an entrant or a third person or any other reason or event occurring prior to, during or after any race or at any other time in relation with the 2022 ILCA Open European and Masters European Championship.

23.2. The safety of any boat and her entire management shall be the sole responsibility of the competitor who must ensure that the boat is manned by experienced crew, sufficient in number and who are physically fit to face any weather conditions including bad weather taking into account the limitations of the boat and its equipment. The competitor must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging and all gear.

23.3. Neither the provision of the obligations and responsibility of the paragraph above, nor their invocation or implementation by the Organizers and the





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Committees, in any way limits the sole and absolute responsibility of the competitor. Attention is drawn to the fundamental RRS 4, Part 1 of the International Sailing Rules of World Sailing “Decision to participate in a race”.

24. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover as it is defined by the Greek Legislation (€ 540.000,00) per incident or the equivalent.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

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