

Sailing Instructions



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[DP] denotes that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the IJ, be less than disqualification.

[NP] Denotes that the breach of that rule will not be grounds for a protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 62.1(a).

Organizing Authority

The **Aegean Regatta 2024** is organized by the General Secretariat for the Aegean and Island Policy, in co-operation with the Hellenic Sailing Federation / Hellenic Offshore Committee (H.S.F / H.O.C.) and the following Clubs: Mytilene Sailing Club, Offshore Racing Club of Lesbos, Nautical Club of Chios, Nautical Club of Samos, PEKEV Chios and the coordinator for 2024, Offshore Yachting Club of Rhodes.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as stated in the paragraph 2 of the NOR.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the SI will take precedence (This change the RRS 63.7).
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not later than two (2) hours before the scheduled warning signal of the first race of the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by **21:00** hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Verbal changes may be given only on the water. The Race Committee will make the necessary changes before the warning signal of a class and will announce these changes by VHF Ch.72, RRS 90.2c. Failure to receive these changes shall not be ground for request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3 Communication with the competitors

- 3.1 Notices to the competitors will be posted on the official notice board which will be electronic (on line). It can be accessed via the race website (www.aegeanregatta.gr) or at the following URL:
<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/8722/event?name=aegean-regatta-2024>
- 3.2 Notices may also be sent via email. Failure or delay to send the notice will not be ground for request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 3.3 The race office will be indicated (in each island) with an orange flag and its location will be announced at the skippers meeting.

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3.4 Radio communication with the Race Committee during the regatta will be on VHF channel **72**. The Race Committee may give verbal confirmation of any race signal over VHF Channel **72**. Failure to make a broad cast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3.5 [DP] Except when communicating with the race committee, a boat while racing, shall not transmit or receive communication of any information not publicly available to all participating boats. This change RRS 41.

4 Not used

5 Signals made ashore

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at a pole near the Race Committee's office.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than **30** minutes' in race signal AP. This changes race signal AP.

6 Schedule of races

6.1 As described in the Notice of Race 8.1.

6.2 Times of the first warning signal are defined as follows (These changes NoR 8.1):

Date	Time	Event
19/08/2024 (MON)	10:55	Offshore Race Kalymnos – Nisyros
21/08/2024 (WED)	10:55	Offshore Race Nisyros – Tilos
22/08/2024 (THU)	10:55	Offshore Race Tilos – Chalki
23/08/2024 (FRI)	10:55	Offshore Race Chalki – Rhodes
24/8/2024 (SAT)	10:55	Inshore Race (ORC Sport)
	11:55	Inshore Races (ORC Performance, IRC)

6.3 The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the above program according to weather conditions and/or other unforeseen circumstances.

6.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be given after 15:00 unless it follows a signal of general recall or postponement (Flag AP) of a race whose first warning signal had been made before 15:00. Should this happen to any start, this SI shall not apply to the subsequent starts.

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7 Class Divisions and Class flags [DP, NP]

- 7.1 Each class may be divided in divisions, based on each boats certificate.
- 7.2 [NP] The Race Committee's decision about class and divisions separation will be announced during skippers meeting and cannot be altered or open to discussion.
- 7.3 The Class flags will be as follows:

Class	Class Flag
ORC Performance	Numeral Pennant 2
IRC	White flag with IRC letters on
ORC Sport	Numeral Pennant 1

8 Racing Area

- 8.1 The Appendixes 1 and 2 are describing the locations of the racing areas.

9 Courses

- 9.1 The Appendixes 1, 2 and the Diagrams are shown the courses.

10 Marks

- 10.1 Marks A1, A2 and B1 will be yellow inflatable buoys.
- 10.2 Marks R1, B2 and the new mark Bn1 (technical race) will be orange inflatable buoys.
- 10.3 A Race Committee boat signaling course shortening is a mark.
- 10.4 The RC may set a **Windward Mark** to obtain a start to windward, if necessary. If the windward mark is set, it will be no more than one nautical mile from the starting line and the RC will, before the warning signal, display a **red** flag which indicates the mark shall be left to port, or a **green** flag indicating the mark shall be left to starboard. The windward mark will be an orange inflatable buoy.

11 Not used

12 The Start

- 12.1 The class starting order will be announced at the skippers meeting.
- 12.2 ORC Performance and IRC boats will start together.
- 12.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before the first warning signal of the day is made.
- 12.4 A boat starting later than **10** minutes after her Starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12.5 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will

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attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12.6 [DP, NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races

12.7 [DP, NP] All boats intending to participate in a race, shall sail close to the Race Committee Signal vessel, before the first warning signal of the day, for their hull number to be recorded.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

14 The Finish

14.1 The Appedixes 1 and 2 are describing the finishing line for each race.

14.2 [DP} If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

15 Penalty System

15.1 For minor breaches of the Offshore Special Regulations, RRS 55 and the Equipment Rules of Sailing, the International Jury may impose any penalty different from Disqualification, or not impose a penalty, at its discretion. Maximum discretional penalty for the minor infringements of the Offshore Special Regulations will be the scoring penalty of 10% calculated as in RRS 44.3(c).

15.2 Penalties for breaches of the Offshore Special Regulations will apply to one race only, nearest by time to the time of inspection. If the inspection was made prior to the first race the penalty will apply to the first race. The boat is expected to do everything possible to comply to the OSR for subsequent races and if she fails, further penalties may be imposed.

16 Time Limits

16.1 The finish time limits for each race, expressed in hours - minutes - seconds are individualized for each boat and will be shown on the 'participating boats' list. Boats failing to finish within their time limit shall be scored "Did Not Finish". This changes RRS 35 and A5.

16.2 The same time limit is standing even if the race is shortened.

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17 Hearing requests

- 17.1 Protest forms will be available at the race office.
- 17.2 Protests shall be delivered at the race office or can be lodged electronically via the official Notice board, within the time limit which shall be 1 hour after the last boat, of the last class, has finished the last race of the day. If the last boat finishes after 21:00 local time, the Protest Time limit will be 9:00 on the next day. The same time limit applies for protests by the Race Committee, the Technical Committee and the International Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This change RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 17.3 Notice of protests by the Race Committee, the Technical Committee or the International Jury will be posted on the official notice board to inform competitors under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.4 Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit.
- 17.5 The decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

18 Scoring

- 18.1 There will be separate results for each class division.

19 Safety regulations [DP]

- 19.1 [NP] Boats retiring for any reason in any race shall report to the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 19.2 Any use of the engine for propulsion purposes for rescuing people, giving help or any other reason shall be reported after arrival but latest the protest time limit in writing on form to the Race Committee stating reasons for such procedure. If a boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race, the International Jury may impose a discretionary penalty or no penalty at its discretion.

20 Replacement of crew or equipment [DP]

- 20.1 The **Race Committee** may approve crew changes (adding new crew members, replacing or disembarking crew members), after a written or electronic (via the online notice board) skipper's request made no later than **two (2)** hours before the scheduled time of the first warning signal of the day.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be not allowed unless approved by the **Technical Committee**. A written or electronic (via the online notice board) requests for equipment substitution shall be delivered to the race office at the first reasonable opportunity.

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21 Equipment and measurement checks [DP]

- 21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water or after arriving in a harbor, a boat may be instructed by the Technical Committee via VHF channel **72** to proceed immediately for inspection on the specified area.

22 Finishing by the night [DP, NP]

- 22.1 Boats that finish by night shall identify themselves to the RC after finishing over VHF channel 72.

23 Various

- 23.1 Race Committee may move the starting line to a new position, due to: lack of wind, bad weather conditions or unexpected sea traffic, displaying the "L" flag with one sound on the RC Signal Boat.

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Appendix 1 – Offshore Races

Race: Kalymnos to Nisyros (Diagram 1)

1 The course

- 1.1 The course will be: Start – Pserimos island (to starboard) – Mark R1 (port) – Finish.
- 1.2 Mark R1 will be at an approx distance of 100m from the finishing line.
- 1.3 The length of the course will be approx. 38nm.

2 Starting line

- 2.1 The Starting line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line and an orange inflatable buoy on the port end of the line.
- 2.2 The starting area will be near Kalymnos port sea area (approx. fix 36°56.59N – 26°59.50E).

3 Finishing line

- 3.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the port end of the line (approx. fix of the mark 36°37.21N – 27°10.28E) and a pole displaying a blue flag on the port end of the line near the entrance of Paloi (Nisyros) port.

Race: Nisyros to Tilos (Diagram 2)

4 The course

- 4.1 The course will be: Start – Stroglyi island (to starboard) – Finish.
- 4.2 The length of the course will be approx. 24nm.

5 Starting line

- 5.1 The Starting line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line and an orange inflatable buoy on the port end of the line.
- 5.2 The starting area will be near Paloi (Nisyros) port sea area (approx. fix 36°37.20N – 27°10.38E).

6 Finishing line

- 6.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line (approx. fix of the mark 36°24.82N – 27°24.10E) and a pole displaying a blue flag on the port end of the line on St Stefanos (Tilos) port dock.



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Race: Tilos to Chalki (Diagram 3)

7 The course

- 7.1 The course will be: Start – Chalki island (to port) – Finish.
- 7.2 The length of the course will be approx. 21nm.

8 Starting line

- 8.1 The Starting line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line and an orange inflatable buoy on the port end of the line.
- 8.2 The starting area will be near Livadia (Tilos) port sea area (approx. fix 36°25.28N – 27°23.97E).

9 Finishing line

- 9.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line (approx. fix of the mark 36°12.80N – 27°36.51E) and a pole displaying a blue flag on the port end of the line on the hill at the entrance of Potamos (Chalki) port.

Race: Chalki to Rhodes (Diagram 4)

10 The course

- 10.1 The course will be: Start – Alimia island (to starboard) – Finish.
- 10.2 The length of the course will be approx. 33nm.

11 Starting line

- 11.1 The Starting line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line and an orange inflatable buoy on the port end of the line.
- 11.2 The starting area will be near Ak Peristera sea area (approx. fix 36°14.72N – 27°37.13E).

12 Finishing line

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the port end of the line (approx. fix of the mark 36°27.34N – 28°13.66E) and a pole displaying a blue flag on the starboard end of the line at the premises of Nautical Club of Rhodes. On the starboard side of the line, on the sea, there will be a yellow inflatable buoy for security reasons. This security buoy must be left to starboard.

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Appendix 2 – Inshore Races

Race: Rhodes Inshore (Diagram 5)

1 The course

- 1.1 The course will be: Start – Mark A1 (to starboard) – Mark A2 (to starboard) – Finish.
- 1.2 The length of the course will be approx. 8nm.
- 1.3 The RC will display the “E” flag in order to announce that this course is to be sailed.
- 1.4 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the approximate distance and compass bearing of mark A1.
- 1.5 Mark A2 will be at the approx. fix of 36°24.31N – 28°14.51E.

2 Starting line

- 2.1 The Starting line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line and an orange flag on the RC boat on the port end of the line.
- 2.2 The starting area will be at Kato Petres (Rhodes west bank) sea area (approx. fix 36°27.38B – 28°12.84E).

3 Finishing line

- 3.1 The finishing line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy at the starboard end of the line (approx. fix of the mark 36°25.88N – 28°14.59E) and a blue flag on the RC boat at the port end of the line.

4 Obstructions

- 4.1 Any boat that is not finishing and is still racing, cannot cross the finishing line as it is described at SI A2-3.1, from the direction of mark A1 to mark A2.



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Race: Technical (W/L) – (Diagram 6)



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5 The course

- 5.1 The course will be: Start – Mark B1 (port) – Mark B2 (port) – Mark B1 (port) – Finish
- 5.2 The length of the course will be approx. 6nm.
- 5.3 The RC will display the “D” flag in order to announce that this course is to be sailed.
- 5.4 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the approximate distance and compass bearing of mark B1. Mark B2 will be at a distance of approx. 50m above the starting line.

6 Starting line

- 6.1 The starting line will be between a yellow inflatable buoy on the starboard end of the line and an orange flag on the RC boat on the port end of the line.
- 6.2 The starting area will be at Kato Petres (Rhodes west bank) sea area (approx. fix 36°27.38B – 28°12.84E).

7 Finishing line

- 7.1 The finishing line will be between a blue flag on the RC boat on the starboard end of the line and a yellow inflatable buoy on the port end of the line.
- 7.2 The finishing line will be at the starting line’s position.

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