



## ***Shorthanded Regatta 2022***

07 – 09 October 2022 г.

# **NOTICE of RACE**

The ***Shorthanded Regatta 2022*** will take place in the Bulgarian Black Sea region between the towns of Varna and Balchik from 7<sup>th</sup> till 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

1. **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: Yacht Club “LZ Yachting 1991”, Reg. No. 103928418**, represented by **Lachezar Bratoev** and **Stoyan Kirov**.
2. **CLASSES**

Shorthanded Regatta 2022 is being organized for keelboats under the ORC handicap system. Depending on the number of entries the boats will be placed in one or more divisions.

The Regatta is open for boats with LOA above 30 ft (9.14 m.) and crews of two persons.

**Entries by Day boats or boats without inboard/outboard engines will not be accepted.**

The boats distribution into separate divisions shall be at the sole discretion of the Race Committee and shall not be grounds for requests for redress.
3. **ENTRY DOCUMENTS** (to be presented at registration)
  - 3.1 Completed Entry Form
  - 3.2 Sailing permit of the boat
  - 3.3 Boat inspection certificate
  - 3.4 Valid skipper’s competence certificate
  - 3.5 Compulsory insurance for all competitors with minimal coverage of BGN 2000
  - 3.6 Compulsory third party insurance with minimal coverage of BGN 20,000
  - 3.7 2022 ORC Rating Certificate
  - 3.8 Equipment Inspection Card for boats competing off-shore in World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations category 4 events (Short races, close to shore in relatively warm or protected waters normally held in daylight); the Card (part of this NoR), shall be signed by the owner or person in charge of the boat, according RRS 46.
4. **ENTRIES**
  - 4.1 Preliminary entries shall be send not later than 18:00 hrs. on 6<sup>th</sup> October (Thursday) by e-mail: [shorthanded.sailing.bulgaria@gmail.com](mailto:shorthanded.sailing.bulgaria@gmail.com). The Forms/Declarations shall be signed during the registration at the Race Office, situated at the office of Yacht Club “LZ Yachting 1991”, Yacht Harbour, Passenger Terminal, Varna. The Organizing Authority is not expected and shall not verify the status and validity of the insurance policies.
  - 4.2 It is recommended that preliminary entries are send early enough to facilitate division formation and tracker codification.
  - 4.3 In the absence of a Preliminary entry, registration may be performed **as an exception** prior to the Skippers Briefing.
  - 4.4 The accepted entries, regatta documents and announcements will be published on **VIBER**, group “**BSA - NOTICE BOARD**” and/or **VIBER**, group “**Регати – Дискусии**“ and on <https://www.facebook.com/events/3153620991622771/?ref=newsfeed>.
  - 4.5 Participation fee: BGN 60 per boat. The fee shall be paid in cash prior to the Skippers Briefing.
  - 4.6 The Entry Form is part of this NoR.

## 5. RULES

- 5.1 The Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 5.2 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (Category 4 races).
- 5.3 2022 ORC Rules.
- 5.4 World Sailing Development Rule DR21-01 about alternative penalties for OCS boats.
- 5.5 2022 Bulgarian Sailing Association Rules for Keelboat Races.
- 5.6 International COLREG Rules.
- 5.7 In case of conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions and their amendments shall take precedence.
- 5.8 No minor persons will be allowed to participate.

6. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:** There will be no signals made ashore.

## 7. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be published in **VIBER**, group “**BSA - NOTICE BOARD**” (which will be considered to be Official Notice Board) and/or **VIBER**, group “**Регати – Дискусии**“ and on <https://www.facebook.com/events/3153620991622771/?ref=newsfeed>.  
**There will be no physical Official notice board.**

## 8. PROGRAM

### 07.10.2022 (Friday)

**16-18:30** Entry documents presentation and registration

**18:30** Skippers briefing at the office of Yacht Club “LZ Yachting 1991”, Yacht Harbour, Passenger Terminal, Varna

### 08.10.2022 (Saturday)

**10.55** First warning signal for Race 1 (common start for all boats):  
Varna – Balchik (ca. 17.3 n.m.)

Course:

1. Start (in the region of the South beach, approximate co-ordinates  $43^{\circ}11,776' N$  &  $27^{\circ}55,610' E$ ).
2. Mark 1 (to starboard) – (south of Mole 103, approximate co-ordinates  $43^{\circ}12,335' N$  &  $27^{\circ}57,002' E$ ).
3. Mark 2 (to port) – Navigation hazard Alaja Bank ( $43^{\circ}16.600' N$  &  $28^{\circ}4.500' E$ ).  
\* The buoy is missing, co-ordinates are supplied for the purpose of avoiding the hazard.
4. Finishing line: between navigation lights of Balchik Marina and Port of Balchik.

### 09.10.2022 (Sunday)

**10.55** Warning signal for the first boat in Race 2 (**pursuit race** with individual start of each boat):  
Balchik – Varna (ca. 22.3 n.m.)

Course:

1. Starting line: between navigation lights of Balchik Marina and Port of Balchik.
2. Mark 1 (to starboard) – Navigation hazard Alaja Bank ( $43^{\circ}16.600' N$  &  $28^{\circ}4.500' E$ ).  
\* The buoy is missing, co-ordinates are supplied for the purpose of avoiding the hazard.
3. Mark 2 (to port) - (south of Mole 103, approximate co-ordinates  $43^{\circ}12,335' N$  &  $27^{\circ}57,002' E$ ).
4. Mark 3 (to starboard) - Navigation mark “Turning buoy” (approximate co-ordinates  $43^{\circ}10,529' N$  &  $028^{\circ}00,575' E$ ).
5. Mark 4 (to port) - metal buoy “Lucho’s Buoy 1” - in front of South beach (approximate co-ordinates  $43^{\circ}11,800' N$  &  $027^{\circ}55,565' E$ ).
6. Finishing line: between lighthouse Varna and Buoy 103 (green).

Depending on weather or other conditions, the courses may be modified at the discretion of the Race Committee. The changes will be announced by Sailing Instructions Amendments and shall not be grounds for requests for redress.

## **9. SCORING**

- 9.1 Scoring of Race 1 – by corrected times, Method: Time on Distance (ToD, All purpose).
- 9.2 Scoring of Race 2 – by finishing order.

## **10. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats overall in each division.

If a division consists of four boats, prizes will be awarded to the first two boats in the division.

**Awarding ceremony:** Immediately after the end of the protest time or after the protest hearings (if any).

## **11. RESPONSIBILITY**

- 11.1 All competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 3).
- 11.2 The Organizing Authority, as well as any person involved in organizing and/or conducting of the event, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death on the water or ashore, sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 11.3 When crossing the fairways to the ports of Varna and Balchik, the racing boats shall keep clear of ships and vessels, following the fairways.
- 11.4 The races will be held in daylight.
- 11.5 All competitors shall be bound by the rules, enumerated in item 5 above.
- 11.6 Competitors are entirely and solely responsible for the seaworthiness, rigs, safety and navigation equipment of their boats, as well as the preparation and ability of their crews. The skippers are responsible for the behaviour and clothing of their crew members.
- 11.7 In winds exceeding 14 knots the wearing of lifejackets and use of safety harnesses with tethers shall be obligatory.

## **12. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

Any amendment of the Sailing Instruction will be announced not later than one hour before it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be announced by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect. The amendments/changes will be published in **VIBER**, group “**BSA - NOTICE BOARD**” and/or **VIBER**, group “**Регати – Дискусии**“ and on

<https://www.facebook.com/events/3153620991622771/?ref=newsfeed>.

## **13. COMMUNICATION**

All boats shall have VHF transceivers. During the regatta constant communication between competitors, Race Committee, medical personnel and auxiliary vessel shall be maintained on VHF Channel 73. All boats shall have charged mobile telephones on board.

Contact telephone of the Race Committee: **+359 888 965 629** – Stoyan Kirov (PRO)

## **14. SAFETY MEASURES**

- 14.1 All boats shall be equipped with propulsion engines, navigation lights and radio transceivers and shall comply with the Maritime Authority’s requirements for the designated race course.
- 14.2 When required by the Race Committee, a boat shall be presented for inspection of the required safety equipment.
- 14.3 During the registration, skippers shall sign a Declaration to confirm the availability of the required safety equipment on board.
- 14.4 The racing boats will be equipped with trackers for real time position visualisation. The skippers are expected, when necessary to recharge the tracker’s batteries, to connect them to their boats electrical systems by means of supplied USB connectors. The Race and Protest committees, at their discretions, shall be able to use tracker’s data for performance of their duties.
- 14.5 Auxiliary regatta vessel: Yacht „Елеанор“(Bavaria C 45) with registration No. ВН 8907.

14.6 Medical services for regatta participants will be provided by a medical doctor. Ashore he will be stationed at the Regatta office, during the races – on board the auxiliary vessel, which will follow the racing boats.

**15. MOORING**

Boats, not residing in Varna, may moor at LZ Yachting 1991 marina, Yacht Harbour, Passenger Terminal, Varna on 07.10.2022 and 09.10.2022. The mooring prior to 07.10.2022 and after 09.10.2022 will be subject to preliminary arrangement and permission by the Port Authority.

**16. TELEVISION AND MEDIA**

By entering the event, all competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority the right in perpetuity, to make, show, keep and distribute at its discretion without compensation any motion pictures, still pictures and photos (including those in digital format), produced during the period of competition in which competitors and/or boats appear.

**17. INFORMATION**

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**18. OFFICIAL TIME**

All times, stated in this Notice of Race are Bulgarian Summer Times (i.e. Greenwich time + 3 hrs.), according to Sofia Astronomical Observatory.

**08.09.2022 г.**

**Organizing Authority**