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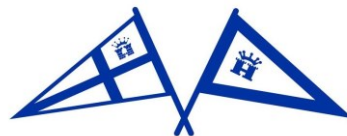


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CLUB NÀUTIC COSTA BRAVA
VELA PALAMÓS





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Club Nàutic Costa Brava / Vela Palamós is proud to host the 32nd INTERNATIONAL VILA DE PALAMÓS OPTIMIST TROPHY, 16th NATIONS CUP.

1. Date and Venue

The 32nd INTERNATIONAL VILA DE PALAMÓS OPTIMIST TROPHY - 16th NATIONS CUP will be held from 16th to 20th February 2022.

The venue will be located at Palamós Beach near the Club Nàutic Costa Brava / Vela Palamós, Palamós, Catalonia, Spain.

2. Organization and Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be organized by Club Nàutic Costa Brava / Vela Palamós, authorised by the Real Federación Española de Vela and Federació Catalana de Vela and will be sailed under the “rules” as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (rules).
- 2.2 No National Prescriptions will apply.
- 2.3 Appendix P will apply.
- 2.4 [DP] Class Rules
- 2.5 [DP] Rules Equipment of Sailing.
- 2.6 RRS 90.3(e) applies, except the expression “24 hours” is changed by “60 minutes”
- 2.7 The first three sentences of RRS 61.1(a) are changed to ‘A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat at the first reasonable opportunity. When her protest will concern an incident in the racing area that she was involved in or saw she shall hail ‘Protest’. She shall inform the Race Committee at the finishing line immediately after finishing of the boat/s being protested, or as soon as practicable after she retires.’
- 2.8 [NP] [DP] Rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4 are changed as follows:
 - 2.8.1 The first sentence of rule 40 is deleted and replaced by: “Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) according to class rule 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing.”
 - 2.8.2 Add to the preamble of Part 4, after ‘racing’: “except rule 40 as amended by Sailing Instruction 2.8.1”
- 2.9 In all the rules governing this event, [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).



2.10 [NP] [DP] COVID-19 infection prevention

2.10.1 Infection prevention and hygienic regulations will be published on the official website

www.palamosoptimisttrophy.org

2.10.2 Reasonable actions by 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.

2.11 English is the Official Language of the Championship. If there is a conflict between languages the language of the original version of the relevant document will take precedence.

2.12 [NP] [DP] All the sailors and personal support shall follow any reasonable instruction given by a race officer.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available beginning Wednesday 16th February 2022 on the event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the sailing instructions.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

4.1 The online official notice board online only and located at www.palamosoptimisttrophy.org

4.2 Briefings, team leader meetings and hearings may be conducted using an online video meeting application.

4.3 [DP] All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on international channels.

4.4 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors and support persons on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

4.5 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

5 Advertising [NP] [DP]

5.1 Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by class rule 2.8.

5.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

6. Eligibility. Entry and registration

6.1 [NP] All Spanish sailors must have a Spanish Sailing Federation membership card valid for year 2022.

6.2 Competitors are required to be current members of the Optimist National Association of the IODA for the country of their residence and must be born on or after January 1, 2007.

6.3 The regatta will be open, except for 10 entries for sailors from Club Vela Palamós. The remaining spare entries are for other sailors until a maximum number of 450 participants has been reached altogether.

The Organising Committee reserves the right to accept more entries. The entry fee for these entries will be 170€.



- 6.4 Sailors from Spain must be ranked in Group1 / Group A or top 20 of Group 2 / Group B on his Regional Federation (1stJanuary 2022 Ranking).
- 6.5 All entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.
- 6.6 It is mandatory for all competitors to have a coach with rib in the regatta. The quota is max 10 sailor per coach and rib.

7. Entries

- 7.1 Competitors and coaches shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website

<http://www.palamosoptimistrophy.org>

- 7.2 **Entries will be accepted by the first come – first served principle and payment is mandatory at the moment of entry. No entry can be completed without payment.**

Entries must be received and paid no later than 17 January 2022 to qualify for the early entry fee.

It is mandatory to assign the coach when making the entry. A **maximum of 10 sailors is permitted per coach and RIB.**

Entry in the event is not final until onsite registration is completed.

8. Fees

- 8.1 Fees are stated in Euros and include any local taxes. Entries received and paid by 17thJanuary 2022 will qualify for the early Entry fee.

	Entry fee (From 17 January)	EARLY entry fee (Up to 17 January)
Sailors	170€	120€
Coaches	60€	15€

- 8.2 Payments will be made by credit card as established on the regatta website
- 8.3 No entry fee refund will be made after 17th January 2022.
- 8.4 The deadline for entries will be on 17thJanuary at 18.00h.

9. Onsite registration of Competitors and Coaches

- 9.1 Onsite registration of competitors will be made only by the corresponding team coaches. Coaches shall register and sign the registration form at the registration office next to the Club Office before 20.00h on 16th February 2022.
- 9.2 Sailor Registration is subject to the presentation before that time of the following documents:
 - Parent consent and declaration form*
 - Sailor compliance form of the pandemic specific rules*
 - Insurance certificate with third party liability coverage when racing (damage to third parties and property), or an extension of the third party liability coverage, up to the amount of 1.500.000€
 - 2022 Federation Licence (Spanish sailors only). Foreign sailors without a sailing federation license or an athlete's medical insurance with accident coverage will have to prove they are covered by an accident insurance valid in Spain



*These forms are available for download on the event website

9.3 Coaches and team support personnel shall provide the following documentation at onsite registration:

- Boat Driving License (if applicable)
- Evidence of valid third party insurance
- 2022 RFEV Technical License (Spanish coaches ONLY)
- Coach compliance form of the pandemic specific rules*

10. Format of the Regatta

In the event that there are more than 100 sailors registered, the fleet will be divided into fleets to sail a qualifying series followed by a final series.

The Sailing Instructions will define the Racing format details.

11. Schedule

Wednesday, February 16

10.00 – 19.00 Sign in at registration office

Thursday, February 17

09.00 Mandatory coaches meeting & meteo briefing

12:00 Warning signal for 1st race of the day.

Friday, February 18

09:00 Coaches meeting & meteo briefing

11.00 Warning signal for 1st race of the day

Saturday, February 19

09:00 Coaches meeting & meteo briefing

11.00 Warning signal for 1st race of the day

Sunday, February 20

09:00 Coaches meeting & meteo briefing

11.00 Warning signal for 1st race of the day

16.00 No warning signal after this time

After racing, Prize giving ceremony

12. Racing Area and Course

12.1 There will be one racing area. The Sailing Instructions will show the location of the racing area and its description.

12.2 The course will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg

13. Scoring

13.1 When 4 or more races are completed, 1 race score will be discarded.

13.2 Two races are required to have a valid regatta.

14. International Jury

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with rule RRS 91(b). Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

15. Safety [NP] [DP]

15.1 All coaches and supporting personnel will be requested to be equipped with and use the life jacket and to carry with them a VHF radio out on the water.



16. Designated Adult

- 16.1 Parents not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated.
- 16.2 Each competitor shall indicate in writing a parent or adult representative who shall be responsible for the competitor throughout the event in the Parent Consent and Declaration Form as well as the Sailor compliance form of the pandemic specific rules available on the regatta website.
- 16.3 The designated adult will accept full responsibility for all actions of the competitor during any activity related to the event. This includes on-shore activities before, during and after the regatta.

17 Support boats [NP] [DP]

All support boats shall register and shall prominently fly a National flag or a white flag with the three letters national code of the country/ies it supports, from a staff, at all times while on the water. No other flags shall be displayed by support boats.

18. Measurement [DP]

- 18.1 Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the regatta. Substitution of such equipment shall occur only with the Race Committee's approval.
- 18.2 There may be measurement on the water following each race. A number of boats may be spot checked after finishing the race.
- 18.3 All equipment may be subject to a safety check.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. CN Costa Brava – Vela Palamós or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or representatives on the water to either persons or equipment, which may result from the participation in the regatta.
- 19.2 Participation in this event, supporting events and in each race is at the sole discretion of the sailor and at his/her own risk. Notice is drawn to RRS 3.

20. Trophies

Overall:	1 st through 10 th
12 and under:	1 st through 3 rd
13 and over:	1 st through 3 rd
Top girl:	1 st through 3 rd

21. Nations Cup

21.1 Scoring system

For the Nations Cup, the total points without discard of the 4 sailors with the best individual cumulative results from each country in all races which count will be added to give a team total score

21.2 Trophy

The Trophy awarded to the country with the best team total score will be the *Catalan Government Trophy*.



22. Additional information

For additional information contact:

Club de Vela Palamós - e-mail info@palamosoptimistrophy.org

23. Charter Boats and Coach Boats

WINNER BOATS

winner@winner.es

Tel: +34 972 31 51 00

24. Training

For organisation purposes, all teams wishing to come and train in Club Vela Palamós before or after the regatta must complete the **Training Registration Form**.

Please contact the Club in order to register at info@palamosoptimistrophy.org