



Preliminary

NOTICE OF RACE

OPEN

INTERNATIONAL BLUE REGATTA KIMON

2024 JULY 18 – 19 – 20 - 21

OPTIMIST – ILCA 6 – ILCA 4

Organizing Authority:

The Nautical Club of Larnaca & The Cyprus International Sailing Club

in Conjunction with Larnaca Municipality

and under the auspices of Cyprus Sailing Federation

1. RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 The Notice of Race

1.3 The Sailing instructions

1.4 The Rules of Classes.

1.5 ILCA class rule 7(a) is changed as follows: “Only one person (the registered competitor) shall be on board while racing.”

1.6 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 concerns 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 the boat/s being protested or as soon as practicable after she retires.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY REGULATIONS

2.1 The event is open to competitors sailing on boats of the Optimist class & ILCA 6 / ILCA 4 class that fulfill the below eligibility requirements. On March 1, 2022, World Sailing published the following recommendations in relation to the situation in Ukraine:

<https://www.sailing.org/2022/03/01/world-sailing-statement-6/> To help preserve the integrity and safety of the 2024 “Blue Regatta Kimon 2024”, entries shall be open to all nationalities but not to competitors and support persons holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality. The Organizing Authority may amend this rule following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia and Belarus.

2.2 ILCA 6 Entry is restricted to experienced sailors who are or will be at least 15 years old but not 21 years or older in the year of the event, born in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, or 2009. Proof of age will be required at registration.

2.3 ILCA 4 Entry is restricted to experienced sailors who are or will be at least 13 years old but not 18 years or older in the year of the event, born in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012. Proof of age will be required at registration.

2.4 Optimist Entry is restricted to sailors who are or will be at least 9 years old but not 16 years or older in the year of the event, born in 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, or 2015.

2.5 The Limit date for online registrations is June 25th, 2024 – before 10:00 pm. Late entries will be accepted under discretion of the Organising committee.

2.6 Each Competitor or his/her Coach/Guardian shall Email, after registration and up to June 26th at the following address :

a) completed parent/guardian consent form signed (for under 18 y.o).

b) A Copy(picture) of a valid sports ID issued by their respective National Authority (a passport picture may also need to be sent if the sports ID is not in English).

c) ASYA is only for Cypriot athletes.

2.7 To be considered as an entry, a Competitor or Coach/Guardian shall proceed to the Race Office during registration time for the following:

a) Competitor & Coach Entry fee payment final check

b) Final check of athlete registration /sail number.

c) Proof of age can be required at registration

d) A copy of a valid speed boat operator license is needed for the drivers of support boats.

e) Entries without complete parent/guardian form will be canceled.

For the duration of the Regatta, each competitor under 18 years old shall be supervised by the responsible adult named on the parent/guardian consent form.

2.8 Parents/Guardians are responsible for the safety of the competitors. It is the sole responsibility of the parent(s) of the sailor to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents not personally attending any event activity must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor. These include on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta. The form is available on the Regatta website.

2.9 The designated adult will accept full responsibility for the competitor's actions during any activity related to the event, including onshore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

2.10 All Cypriot competitors shall have a valid Cyprus Sailing Federation sports ID and AΣYA ID

2.11 Each participating boat and all support person vessels shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance of a minimum €1.000.000 per event or the equivalent. The organizing authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of any insurance certificates

2.12 A competitor is advised to have personal accident and health insurance that covers him while attending the event and while racing. The organizing authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of any insurance certificates.

2.13 A competitor or a group of competitors from the same team should have a Coach to accompany them on water. Coaches can be responsible for accompanying competitors from other teams.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The Notice Board will be Online at:

Website: <https://www.bluregatta.net/official-notice-board>

Or Racing Rules application

The Race Office will be at the premises of LARNACA NAUTICAL CLUB

3.2 All support personnel vessels shall carry a VHF radio to communicate on international channels.

3.3 Whats app group may exist to inform the teams on everyday schedules.

4. ADVERTISING

4.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority

5. RISK STATEMENT

5.1 Sailing is, by its nature, an unpredictable sport and, therefore, inherently involves an element of risk. Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

5.2 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew, and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

5.3 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property, whether afloat or ashore;

5.4 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage, or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

5.5 By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, complies with the class rules, is equipped to sail in the event, and they are fit to participate;

5.6 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires, and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

5.7 It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or event that are drawn to their attention, including any rules and information produced for the venue or event, and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

6. SCORING

6.1 The low-scoring system will apply.

6.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.

6.3 When fewer than four (4) races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores. When four (4) or more races have been completed, a competitor's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score. When ten (10) or more Opening series scores have been completed, a competitor's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her two (2) worst scores

6.4 Regatta results will be determined by the series score in the overall results of each class. (Note: These results will be extracted from the overall results and published without recalculation.)

7. SCHEDULE

- **WEDNESDAY, JULY 17th** - Registration opening hours 11:00 to 13:00 & 16:00 to 19:00
- **THURSDAY, JULY 18** - 09:00 to 10:30 **Final** Registrations - Races - 12:30 1st warning signal
- **FRIDAY, JULY 19** - warning signal (TBC)
- **SATURDAY, JULY 20** - warning signal (TBC)
- **SUNDAY, JULY 2** - warning signal (TBC)

There will be a coach meeting on each racing day, with an announcement to inform coaches about RC Intentions and weather conditions.

7.1 Twelve (12) races are scheduled. No more than Three (3) races will be sailed per day.

7.2 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 17:00.

7.3 The scheduled warning signals may change by notice to competitors from the previous day.

7.4 Each day, succeeding races will start as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online at the official website on July 11th.

9. RACE OFFICE

9.1 The Race Office is located at the Nautical Club of Larnaca

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/JufXF1LDnZEKM9B9A>

9.2 The Race Office is open on each race day from 09:00 until 30 minutes after the protest time limit unless extended at the discretion of the race committee.

10. JURY

A National Jury will be appointed. Its decisions will be final, as provided in

RRS 70.5.

11. COURSES

A trapezoid course will be used with inner and outer loops for ILCA fleets and the IODA course for the Optimist fleet. More details on sailing instructions. The target time for the first boat in each race will be 45 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

12. TITLES & PRIZES

- **ILCA6 OVERALL** 3 Top Sailor
- **ILCA6 U19 BOY** 3 Top Sailor
- **ILCA6 U19 GIRL** 3 Top Sailor
- **ILCA4 OVERALL** 3 Top Sailor
- **ILCA4 U16 boy** 3 Top Sailor
- **ILCA4 U16 Girl** 3 Top Sailor
- **Optimist overall** 5 top sailors
- **Optimist overall U13** 3 top sailors
- **Optimist boy U13** 3 top sailors
- **Optimist girl U13** 3 top sailors
- **There will be a gift Lottery after the prize giving for both classes Optimist & ILCA**

The Organisers may decide on extra prizes before the beginning of the event.

13. SAFETY

13.1 Rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4 are changed as follows:

The first sentence of rule 40 is deleted and replaced by: "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing."

14. REGATTA FORMAT

The regatta fleets are limited on entries as follows:

- Optimist - 60 Boats
- ILCA 4 - 40 Boats
- ILCA 6 - 40 Boats

The Organizing Committee may extend the limits for each class.

There will be an open series for all classes.

15. SUPPORT VESSELS

Drivers will be responsible for always wearing a life jacket and quick stop while the engine is on.

16. BOATS/RIB RENTAL

There are limited sailboats and Rib boats for rental.

16.1 Boat rental availability will officially open on May 8th. 2024, with the final Notice of race.

16.2 The organizing authority will keep the rental priority on registered boats.

16.3 Online registration will not guarantee the competitor's participation until your boat rental is confirmed and fees are paid.

16.4 Coaches are encouraged to share ribs with other Coaches.

16.5 We have secured discounted prices on equipment transportation within and outside Cyprus with the company

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17. FEES

17.1 The Competitor's entry fee is 100 euro/ athlete

17.2 The Coach's entry fee is 50 euro.

17.3 Right after your boat rental confirmation, you will receive an email with detailed instructions to pay the entry fees in the next 3 days by wire transfer.

The entry fee includes:

- Competitors lunch box for each racing day
- Evening snack after the end of races
- Competitors and Coaches Regatta T Shirt

18. MEDIA RIGHTS

18.1 By entering the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authorities and Media Services providers 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, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

18.2 Competitors may be required for interviews at the event.

19. CONTACT

Official website:

<https://www.bluregatta.net/>

Event info:

<https://www.bluregatta.net/official-notice-board>

Contact:

<https://www.bluregatta.net/contact>

20. WEATHER CONDITIONS

Daytime air temperature: 18 – 35 C

Water Temperature: 18+ C

Prevailing Wind Direction: Westerly

Expecting everyday Wind Speed: 6-18 knots

Hours of Good Wind: 8 hours

Tide: possible(minor)

Current: Yes

21. TRAINING FOR SAILORS ENTERED THE REGATTA

The Nautical Club of Larnaca will be open for all sailors who entered the regatta for training sessions from the 11th of July

21. EVENT LOCATION

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/5Ed7hMKdmoWatNjx5>

