# **OK Dinghy European Championship 2024**

Real Club Náutico de Palma 28 October to 3 November 2024 NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Real Club Nautico de Palma in conjunction with the OK Dinghy International Association. Event Website: 2024.okeuropeans.org

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat or request redress for a violation of that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 (RRS).
- 1.2 [DP] World Sailing's Equipment Rules of Sailing 2021 2024 (ERS) will apply
- 1.3 [DP] The current OK Dinghy Class Rules will apply.
- 1.4 The OKDIA Major Championship Event Manual will apply, unless changed by this Notice of Race, or by the Sailing Instructions, with the approval of OKDIA.
- 1.5 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 1.6 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.7 The Sailing Instructions may contain changes to other rules.
- 1.8 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct.
- 1.9 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.10 Support person vessel restrictions may be applied. These will be published in or with the Sailing Instructions.

## 2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 The event website will be at 2024.okeuropeans.org. The ONB can be accessed through the event website.
- 2.2 [NP] [DP] All support vessels shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on international channels. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 2.3 [NP] The <u>WhatsApp</u> messaging service (or similar) may be used to provide supplementary communications. Information regarding sign up to this service will be provided separately.
- 2.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an OKDIA recognized National OK Dinghy Association. They shall complete on-site registration at the venue before 12.00 hours of 29 October 2024, unless the Organizing Authority extends this date.
- 4.2 The national quota as described in the OKDIA Major Championship Event Manual Section A will not apply.
- 4.3 Spanish crew, legal residents in Spain shall present their 2024 RFEV sailing license.
- 4.4 On 1 March 2022, World Sailing published the following recommendations in reaction to the situation in Ukraine: https://www.sailing.org/2022/03/01/worldsailing-statement-6/. After this, the Consejo Superior de Deportes of Spanish Government and Real Federación Española de Vela published recommendations in the same line. To help preserve the integrity and safety of this event the organising committee does not accept competitors, holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality.

The Organizing Authority will be monitoring the situation and will adapt recommendations and measures according to future developments for this event."

4.5 Entries shall be submitted online at the 2024.okeuropeans.org before 13 September 2024. Furthermore, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to accept entries received after the entry deadline. The Entry Fee shall be paid on-line by credit card or by bank transfer. https://www.rcnp.es/pagos-on-line-formulario.

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- 4.6 The Entry Fee is EUR 290 and EUR 135 for juniors (competitors under the age of 23 on the date of the first race of the Championship). Payment or online entry after this date will be considered late entry and subject to the additional Late Entry Fee of €100.
- 4.7 Refunds of 75% will be given for cancelled entries before 28 September 2024, 50% from 29 September to 20 October, but no refunds will be given after 20 October.
- 4.8 An entry is not complete until any entry fees have been paid, the entry has been accepted by the Organizing Authority and OKDIA, registration and any required equipment inspection before the first race, has been completed.
- 4.9 A valid measurement certificate for the boat entered shall be presented or its existence verified at on-site registration in accordance with RRS 78.2.
- 4.10 Coaches have to register their motorboats by email to oficinaderegatas@rcnp.es (they need to send or show a copy of the valid insurance police, Skipper's driving license and a valid navigation certificate or registry of the boat) and receive a white Coach flag. Entry fee €50.00. Deposit for flag €20.00 (max 2 persons are allowed on the rib).

## 5. COMPETITION FORMAT

- 5.1 Ten (10) races are scheduled.
- 5.2 This format may be changed with the approval of OKDIA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.3 The Race Committee in conjunction with OKDIA may decide to divide the fleet series into groups. The method of division will ensure groups of approximately equal size and ability and will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

## 6. EVENT SCHEDULE

6.1 The event schedule may be changed with the approval of OKDIA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions, however, the days allocated for racing will not be changed.

Date	Event	Time	Location		
Arrival at RCNP is possible from 25 <sup>th</sup> October,2024 onwards.					
Mon, 28 Oct	Equipment Inspection /Registration	0900-18.00	Real Club Náutico de Palma		
Tues, 29 Oct	Equipment Inspection /Registration	09.00-12.00	Real Club Náutico de Palma		
	Practice Race	14.00			
	Opening Ceremony	18.00			
Weds, 30 Oct	Competitor's Meeting	11.00	Real Club Náutico de Palma		
	Racing (2 races scheduled)	13.00	Bay of Palma		
	First Warning Signal				
Thurs, 31 Oct	Racing (2 races scheduled)		Bay of Palma		
	First Warning Signal				
Fri, 1 Nov	Racing (2 races scheduled)		Bay of Palma		

	First Warning Signal		
Sat, 2 Oct	Racing (2 races scheduled)		Bay of Palma
	First Warning Signal		-
Sun, 3 Nov	Racing (2 races scheduled)		Bay of Palma
	First Warning Signal		
	Prize Giving	After the races	Real Club Náutico de Palma

#### 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES AND ATTENDANCE AT CEREMONIES

- 7.1 Two (2) races are scheduled for each day of racing.
- 7.2 An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full number of scheduled races to be sailed. A maximum of three (3) races per day will be sailed. This schedule may be changed to fit with any changes to NOR 5 and 6 permitted by OKDIA.
- 7.3 Succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous races.
- 7.4 No warning signal will be made after 15.00 on the final day
- 7.5 All participants are requested by OKDIA and the Organizing Authority to attend the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

## 8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 All boats shall undergo inspection of hulls, spars and sails as well as equipment checks according to the OKDIA Class Rules (including Section E of "OKDIA Major Championship Event Manual") unless otherwise decided by the OKDIA Chief Measurer. All inspected equipment will be identified for the Championship. Only identified equipment may be used during the Championship.
- 8.2 A maximum of 1 hull, 1 mast, 1 boom, 2 sails, 1 centreboard and 1 rudder may be presented for Equipment Inspection or declared on the declaration of compliance.
- 8.3 All competitors shall hold a valid measurement certificate. No Certification Control will be undertaken at the Event Equipment Inspection.
- 8.4 Equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Technical Committee, Race Committee or the International Jury.

#### 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available on the event website at the time for registration. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website prior to this date.
- 9.2 OKDIA would appreciate if the documents, including the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, could be read from electronic devices.

#### 10. RACING AREA

10.1 The intended race-course area will be the Bay of Palma.

#### 11. COURSES

11.1 Courses will be as per the current OKDIA Major Championship Event Manual, unless varied by the Sailing Instructions.

## 12. SCORING

- 12.1 RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 12.2 Four races shall be completed to constitute a valid Championship.

## 13. INTERNATIONAL JURY

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

## 14. PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:
  - Overall winner European Championship Trophy
  - Leading lady Ladies trophy
- 14.2 The Organizing Authority shall present prizes to at least the top 10 overall and the winner of each category.
- 14.3 OKDIA will provide medals for the top three overall and the top three juniors
- 14.4 The Youth Prize is open to any competitor aged 23 or under on the date of the first race of the Championship.

The Veteran's Prize is open to any competitor aged 40 or over, and 54 and under, on the date of the first race of the Championship.

The Master's Prize is open to any competitor aged 55 or over, and 69 and under, on the date of the first race of the Championship.

The Grand Master's Prize is open to any competitor aged 70 or over on the date of the first race of the Championship.

## 15. INSURANCE

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,500,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.

## 16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS AND PERSONNEL

- 16.1 All support boats (boats with support persons on board as defined by the RRS) shall be registered (see 4.9) with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations or sailing instructions. The Organising Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 16.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their World Sailing Member National Authority in contrasting colour to the background at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 16.3 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race Committee displays flag V (see RRS 37) all support boats shall monitor VHF (channel will be stated in the S.I) and comply with requests from the Race Committee and any published Safety Procedures.
- 16.4 Support boats may be required to clearly display a flag "S" and sticker provided by the OA with unique identification for that boat.

## 17. MEDIA CONSENT: RIGHTS TO USE NAMES & LIKENESSES

- 17.1 Competitors and / or their Parents or Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority OKDIA and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.
- 17.2. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
- 17.3. The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 17.4. Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

#### 18. RISK STATEMENT

- 18.1 Rule 3 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and support person agrees and acknowledges that:
- (a) 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;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

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