







Finn Open and U23 European Championship 2021 Portuguese Sailing Federation and Capable Planet Clube Náutico 10th to 16th April 2021

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority and Venue

- 1.1 The 2021 Finn European Championship will be held from Saturday 10th April to Friday 16th April in Vilamoura, Portugal;
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is the Capable Planet Clube Náutico in conjunction with the International Finn Association, the Portuguese Sailing Federation and the Portuguese Finn Class Association and Co-Organized by Clube Internacional da Marina de Vilamoura.

2. Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the International Finn Class Event Manual;
- 2.2 The National Authority Prescriptions will be applied, and they are shown in full in **Attachment C**;
- 2.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence;
- 2.4 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions;
- 2.5 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat;
- 2.6 Boats will be required to display their national flag on their sail in accordance with the Class Rules;
- 2.7 Support boat restrictions may be applied. These will be published in or with the Sailing Instructions;
- 2.8 Class Rule C6.2 [Equipment Limitation] shall apply;
- 2.9 All competitors, coaches and accompanying persons shall at all times abide by the COVID-19 regulations as stipulated by the OA.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an IFA recognized National Finn Association. They shall complete onsite registration at the venue prior to 11th April 2021, unless the Organizing Authority extends this date;
- 3.2 The entry quota of Part C "Entry System for IFA Official Championships" of the IFA Constitution will apply;
- 3.3 To be eligible for the U23 prize competitors shall not have had their 23rd birthday before the 1st of January of the year of the event;
- 3.4 Entries shall be submitted online prior to 1st April 2021, unless extended by the Organizing Authority. The entry form is available http://2021.finneuropeans.org/
- 3.5 The Entry Fee is EUR 300 and shall be paid in full by 1st April 2021 as detailed on the entry form;
- 3.6 An entry is not complete until any entry fees have been paid, the entry has been accepted by the Organizing Authority and the International Finn Association, registration and any required equipment inspection before the first race, has been completed;
- 3.7 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;
- 3.8 Support boats will be required to register and pay a fee of EUR 100, be insured and comply with local regulations to be permitted to use launching and berthing at the venue. Registration may be completed on line through the event website http://2021.finneuropeans.org/ Payment is required by 1st April 2021;
- 3.9 The registration fee will be fully refunded in the following situations resulting from the COVID 19 pandemic:
 - Cancellation of the regatta due to a decision from the Portuguese Government;
 - In the event that a registered competitor or coach cannot attend the competition due to health and safety measures applied by their region or country that affect mobility or travel to Portugal for the regatta.
 - No claims or refunds for travel and accommodation expenses paid by registered participants due to cancellation shall be accepted. When entering the regatta, all participants claim to be aware of this fact.









4. Competition Format

- 4.1 A ten race series, without a medal race, is scheduled;
- 4.2 This format may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

5. Event Schedule

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

Date	Event	Time	Location
Sat 10 th April	Measurement/Registration	09:00 - 18:00	
Sun 11 th April	Measurement/Registration	09:00 - 17:30	
	Competitor's Meeting	10:00	
	Practice Race	14:30	
	Welcome Meeting*adopting COVID- 19 restrictions	18:00	
Mon 12 th April	Racing (2 races scheduled)	12:00	
	First Warning Signal		
Tues 13 th April	Racing (2 races scheduled)	TBA	
	First Warning Signal		
Weds 14th April	Racing (2 races scheduled)	TBA	
	First Warning Signal		
Thurs 15 th April	Racing (2 races scheduled)	TBA	
	First Warning Signal		
Fri 16 th April	Racing (2 races scheduled)	TBA	
	First Warning Signal		
	Prize Giving*adopting COVID-19	TBA	
	restrictions		

6. Schedule of Races and Attendance at Ceremonies

- 6.1 Two races are scheduled for each day of racing;
- An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full number of scheduled races to be sailed.

 A maximum of three races per day will be sailed. This schedule may be changed to fit with any changes to NOR 4 and 5 permitted by the IFA;
- 6.3 Succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous races;
- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 16:00 on Fri 16th April.

7. Measurement

- 7.1 All boats shall undergo measurement of hulls, spars and sails as well as equipment checks according the Finn Class Rules (including Part F of "Finn Class Event Manual") unless otherwise decided by the IFA Chief Measurer. All measured equipment will be identified for the Championship.
 - Only identified equipment may be used during the Championship;
- 7.2 Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Technical Committee, Race Committee or the International Jury.

8. Sailing Instructions

8.1 The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available on the event website at the time for registration. A hard copy will be available during registration. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website prior to this date.

9. Racing Area

9.1 The intended race-courses areas will be as shown in **Attachment A**.

10. Courses

10.1 Courses will be as per the current IFA Event Manual.









11. Scoring

11.1 Four races shall be completed to constitute a valid Championship.

12. International Jury

- 12.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N and perform the duties listed in RRS N2;
- 12.2 Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

13. Prizes

- 13.1 The class perpetual trophies will be awarded, including the winner of the Finn European Championship;
- 13.2 The Organizing Authority will provide prizes for the top 10 boats overall and top 3 Under 23;
- 13.3 Daily prizes will be awarded to the boats finishing first in each race.

14. Insurance

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid Third-party Liability Insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 1.500.000,00 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance;

15 Support Boats and Personnel

- 15.1 All support boats (boats with support persons on board as defined by the RRS) shall be registered (see 3.8) with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations or Sailing Instructions. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion;
- 15.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letters 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;
- 15.3 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race Committee displays Flag V, all support boats shall monitor VHF Channel 08 and comply with requests from the Race Committee and any published Safety Procedures;
- 15.4 Support boats shall be clearly displaying a Flag identification number, supplied at registration by the OA with cash deposit;

16. Media Consent: Rights to use Names & Likenesses

- 16.1 Competitors and/or their Parents or Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority, the International Finn Association 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;
- 16.2. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority;
- 16.3. The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners, may be required to attend a media press conference each day;
- 16.4. Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

17. Risk Statement

- 17.1 Rule 4 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 Organizer 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;
- The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities (g) of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

18. General Information

Venue - see Attachment B.

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ATTACHMENT A



ATTACHMENT B











ATTACHMENT C



CONSELHO DE ARBITRAGEM

Race Officials and Racing Rules Committee

Prescriptions of the Portuguese Sailing Federation

For events taking place in Portugal (RRS 88)

- **60.1** The Portuguese Sailing Federation prescribes that, in any event under it's jurisdiction, Protest Fees are forbidden.
- **63.4(d)** The Portuguese Sailing Federation prescribes that at any international event to be held in Portugal and any other event that can assign national or regional titles or can be a national or regional qualification regatta, rule 63.4(b) does not apply and a person who has a conflict of interest shall not be a member of the protest committee.
- 67 The Portuguese Sailing Federation prescribes,
- a) A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a Rule.
- b) Any claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and not considered by a Protest Committee or Appeals Committee.
- **86.3** The Portuguese Sailing Federation prescribes that at any event under it's jurisdiction, if the Race Committee intends to test or develop a Rule, this shall only be allowed if prior written authorization is given by the Race Officials Committee from the Portuguese Sailing Federation and with the obligation of reporting, by writing, any result.
- **88.2** The Portuguese Sailing Federation prescribes that a **Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will not change it's prescriptions**. However, when an International Jury is approved to one event, only the prescriptions to the Rules 60.1, 63.4(d), 67, 86.3, 88.2 and 91(b) will apply.
- **91(b)** The Portuguese Sailing Federation prescribes that, at any event under it's jurisdiction, **an International Jury has to be approved by the Race Officials Committee of the Portuguese Sailing Federation**, with the exception of the events described on this Rule.

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