



**2018 ILCA Open European and Masters European Championship
June 27 - July 1, 2018**

Organizing Authority: Yacht Club of Greece (YCG) and Nautical Athletic Club of Voula (NAOV) in conjunction with the International Lightning Class Association (ILCA) and Lightning Fleets 286 & 525

Sailing Venue: YCG, Faliron Bay, Athens, Greece

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020, the ILCA Constitution, By-Laws, Lightning Specifications and the Document Governing All Sanctioned Lightning Class Championships (hereafter referred to as Document Governing).

1.2. Only the Hellenic Sailing Federation Prescription to the RRS No1 will apply:

«In RRS 40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES is added: All participants at a race, including competitors, support personnel and race officials on board speed boats/ribs shall wear a PFD during the races».

1.3. The following rules below will be changed/will apply and will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions (SI's). The SI's may also change other racing rules.

1.3.a. RRS 42.3(c) is changed to say: "Except on a beat to windward, when surfing down the leeward side of a wave or planning is possible, a boat's crew may pull pump the sheet, but not the guy, controlling any sail to initiate surfing or planning, but only once for each wave or gust of wind. When the mainsail is pumped, only that part of the sheet between the crew member handling the sheet and the first block on the boom shall be used. (Amended 7/25/13).

1.3.b. RRS 60.1(b), 63.1, 63.6, and 66 are changed to permit Protest Arbitration.

1.4. This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

1.5. RRS 63.7 will be replaced by: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and a rule in the Sailing Instructions, the rule in the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence".

1.6. If there is a conflict between languages the English language will take precedence.

1.7. INFORMING THE RACE COMMITTEE.

A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee.

1.8. CHANGES IN HEARING PROCEDURES

This rule applies to all hearings except hearings under RRS 69. If the protest committee is able to assemble the parties to a hearing before the protest or redress time limit, it may begin the hearing and may waive the requirements of RRS 61.2 or 62.2.

1.9. The ILCA document governing is implemented as follows:

1.9.a. VIII.3: Time limit shall be two (02) hours. If no boat rounds the first mark within forty-five (45) minutes, the race shall be abandoned and, if possible, resailed.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Competitor advertising will be according to World Sailing Regulation 20 and according to Article VIII, paragraph 2 of the Document Governing; advertising on sails is not permitted.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA).

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats of the Lightning Class.
- 3.2. The skipper must be Life or Active Member or Associate of the ILCA. Crew must be Life, Active, Associate or Crew Members of the ILCA
- 3.3. Competitors must meet the requirements of RRS 75.1
- 3.4. Master qualifications: The skipper must be at least 55 years old and the total crew age must be at least 130 years as of 31st Dec 2018.
- 3.5. Boats meeting the criteria may simultaneously compete in European and Masters Championships.
- 3.6. Boats must hold a valid Measurement Certificate, and must display a valid mast royalty decal. Measurement certificates must be presented at time of measurement.

4. CONTACT DETAILS

- 4.1. International Lightning Class Association (ILCA)

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- 4.2. Yacht Club of Greece

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5. ENTRIES

- 5.1. Registration forms are available from the YCG Sports Secretariat (<http://www.ycg.gr>)= Registrations may also be completed on-line in the following site: www.ycg.gr/ilca2018euro.
- 5.2. A completed entry form must be send to sailing@ycg or completed on-line no later than May 15 2018, accompanied with the entry fee to be paid to the Yacht Club of

Greece (YCG) at the National Bank of Greece, IBAN: GR07 0110 0710 0000 0714 8001 923, SWIFT-BIC: ETHNGRAA (please include the skipper's name and/or Sail Number in the bank transfer order).

- 5.3. Entry forms received after May 15 will be subject to a late fee (as per NOR 7.1.b)
- 5.4. No Entries will be accepted after June 11, 2018.
- 5.5. Competitors should also indicate the expected number of accompanying parents, friends and coaches to help the OA plan trips and events accordingly.
- 5.6. Copies of the following documents must be submitted either by e-mail to sailing@ycg.gr or at registration:
 - 5.6.a. Valid International Measurement Certificate
 - 5.6.b. Confirmation of Club membership or license and a valid proof of identity , e.g. passport.
 - 5.6.c. ILCA Membership Card.
 - 5.6.d. Confirmation of third-party liability insurance as per NOR 24 (€ 540.000,00)

6. REGISTRATION

- 6.1. Registration and measurement of boats and sails will be held from 10:00 to 18:00 on June 27, and from 09:00 to 12:00 on June 28, 2018.
- 6.2. All competitors, coaches and support personnel shall complete onsite registration at YCG before June 28 2018, 12:00 hrs.

7. FEES

- 7.1. Required fees are as follows:
 - 7.1.a. €150 per Competitor (each crew member), payable by bank transfer until entry closing date the latest.
 - 7.1.b. Entry forms received after May 1 will be subject to a late fee of €100,00 per boat.
 - 7.1.c. Payment at the Regatta Office in cash or by credit card is possible, but the entry will then be considered as a late entry.

8. SCHEDULE

Wednesday June 27	Registration, Boats & Sails Measurement	10:00–18:00
Thursday June 28	Registration, Boats & Sails Measurement	09:00-12:00
	Practice Race	14:00
	Opening Ceremony and Reception at NAOV	20:00
Friday June 29	Races - 1 st Warning signal	TBA
Saturday June 30	Races - 1 st Warning signal	TBA

Sunday July 1

Races - 1st Warning signal
Price giving and Closing Ceremony at YCG

TBA

- 8.1. No warning signal will be given on Sunday, July 1, 2018 after 16:00.
- 8.2. Total number of races: 6
- 8.3. No more than 2 races will be sailed each day.
- 8.4. The Race Committee may adjust the sailing schedule to suit the weather conditions.

9. MEASUREMENTS

- 9.1. Boats, sails, spars and equipment may be measured and inspected in accordance with ILCA By Laws Article VIII.
- 9.2. A maximum of one (1) main, two (2) jibs and two (2) spinnakers will be measured and approved for the Regatta. All sails shall have Official ILCA Royalty Labels. Mainsail and spinnaker numbers shall be the same. Competitor mainsails are required to display the competitor's country designation.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the YCG Sailing Secretariat during the registration.
- 10.2. Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one month prior to the Championship on the ILCA website <http://www.lightningclass.org/>.

11. VENUE

Sailing Venue: Faliron Bay, close to the YCG premises.

12. THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be windward - leeward.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1. Appendix P will apply.
- 13.2. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 13.3. After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). However, RRS 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The Post-Race Penalty shall be
 - 13.3.a. 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or
 - 13.3.b. 30%, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.
- 13.4. Insert a new sentence after the second sentence of RRS 44.1: "When an infringing yacht has its spinnaker drawing at the time of the infringement, drops it completely while

taking her penalty, and resets it immediately and has it drawing after the penalty, the penalty is a One-Turn Penalty.”

14. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. The Low point system of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 15.3. When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores
- 15.4. When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. SUPPORT BOATS

- 16.1. Support boats shall be registered at the Race Committee before the beginning of the event and comply with the Support Boat Regulation for the Championship.
- 16.2. Support boats will be part of the security arrangement for the event.
- 16.3. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside the racing area (defined as 100 meters outside the laylines of the course including the starting area) from the warning signal, until the last boat has finished the last race of the day. If a support boat fails to comply this requirement, they may be reported to the Protest Committee.

17. CHARTER BOATS:

Contact YCG Sports Secretariat to ask for charter boats availability.

18. BERTHING

All boats are to be afloat by 12:00 hours of Thursday June 28 and shall be kept in the assigned slip in the YCG harbour. Fenders and mooring lines will be required.

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 21.2. Use of hand held VHF radios will be permitted for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined (European) VHF) channel to be specified in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS boats after starts and otherwise communicate with the fleet on the water. Failure to

receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or receive other communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress (this changes RRS 62).

22. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 22.1. Trophies will be awarded to the top three skippers and crews of the Open European and Masters European Championships.
- 22.2. The Perpetual trophy COPA CITTA DI NAPOLI will be awarded to the Winner of the 2018 European Championship and the DISTRICT OF FINLAND Perpetual Trophy to the Runner up.
- 22.3. The Yacht Club of Greece has set up in memory of “Andreas (Andy) Sinopoulos” a trophy to be awarded to the winner of the Masters European Championship.
- 22.4. Other trophies may be awarded in different categories of competitors.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 23.1. The Organisers, any Committee of the Regatta and any other person involved in the organization of the 2018 ILCA Open European and Masters European Championship, neither accepts any liability nor can be otherwise held liable for any physical or material damage, loss or claim, injury or death of an entrant or a third person or any other reason or event occurring prior to, during or after any race or at any other time in relation with the 2018 ILCA Open European and Masters European Championship.
- 23.2. The safety of any boat and her entire management shall be the sole responsibility of the competitor who must ensure that the boat is manned by experienced crew, sufficient in number and who are physically fit to face any weather conditions including bad weather taking into account the limitations of the boat and its equipment. The competitor must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging and all gear.
- 23.3. Neither the provision of the obligations and responsibility of the paragraph above, nor their invocation or implementation by the Organisers and the Committees, in any way limits the sole and absolute responsibility of the competitor. Attention is drawn to the fundamental RRS RRS 4, Part 1 of the International Sailing Rules of World Sailing “Decision to participate in a race”.

24. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover as it is defined by the Greek Legislation (€ 540.000,00) per incident or the equivalent.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

- **Regatta Chairman:**
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- **For further information please contact :**
 - ILCA class office:
Laura Jeffers, Executive Secretary office@lightningclass.org

or

- YCG Secretariat:

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26. REGATTA LOGISTICS & AREA INFORMATION

26.1. Passports & Visas:

No VISA is required for the citizens of most countries entering Greece for less than ninety (90) days stay. However, a visa (Schengen) may be required for citizens of certain countries who should check for applicable requirements 2 months prior to the event.

26.2. Airport:

The closest major airport to the venue, is Athens International Airport Eleftherios Venizelos (ATH/LGAV). The airport is 45 km from the Yacht Club of Greece.

26.3. Accommodations:

There are several hotels within a short distance from YCG. For more information concerning accommodation please contact YCG Sports Secretariat at sailing@ycg.gr.

26.4. Social Events:

Social events will be organised after the races.. The program will be available with the sailing instructions.