EUROSAF eSailing
EUROPEAN
CHAMPIONSHIP
MILLE X UNA VELA TROPHY

PLAYED ON *Virtual Regatta* in-shore

ORGANIZED BY **FIV** Federazione Italiana Vela   **SOMBRERO SPORT**.it   SUPPORTED BY sailscore

May, 17th - 29th 2023

NOTICE of RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

version 2.0 (additions or amendments in red)

Notation	Meaning
[NP]	In a rule means that a player may not protest another player for breaking that rule. The PRO and/or the PC and/or the OA **YES**.
[DP]	in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than DSQ.

1.   ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1   The Organizing Authority (OA) is Plaq, supported by the Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) and in collaboration with European Sailing Federation (EUROSAF).

2.   RULES

2.1   This event is reserved **exclusively** to **European players born in 2011 and older** (eg: 2010, and so on).

2.2   The Regatta will be governed by:

   a)   The rules as defined in the Virtual Racing Rules of Sailing (VRRS) (Jan. 22 2019 edition);

   b)   The rules 2, 69 as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS);

   c)   This Notice of Race (NoR) & Sailing Instructions (SI);

   d)   The OCS/PENALTY START is forbidden (**it applies from the QF**), see Add Alfa attached to this NoR & SI;

   e)   The **Detailed Sailing Instructions (DSI)**, if published, after the close of registration;

   f)   All notices posted on the **EUROSAF Discord eSailing Channel (EDEC)** at **#notices**;;

   g)   Any amendment to this NoR & SI or any amendment to the DSI;

2.3   The official language is ENGLISH.

2.4   The official time of the regatta is the Central European Standard Time (CEST), **ROMA**, 24 hrs.

3.   DETAILED SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1   The Detailed Sailing Instructions, if published, will be available upon final registration online on the EDEC at **#documents**.

4.   COMMUNICATION

4.1   **[NP]** All information such as notices or amendments to official documents will be posted on the EDEC at **#notices** no later than one (1) hour before racing starts, unless there is a change to schedule, which will be posted 24 hours prior.

5.   ELIGIBILITY, ENTRIES and REGISTRATION

5.1   The top seventy (70) male and top ten (10) female european players of the event, World Ranking EUROSAF EVENT from May 17 to May 19 (1700 hrs to 1700 hrs), will qualify for the next stage.

5.2   To confirm their presence at the regatta, **ONLY** the seventy (70) male and the ten (10) female qualified players shall complete the Registration Form by *1800 hrs of May, 20 2023* which includes:

   a)   Name and Family Name, Date of Birth (for those **UNDER 18 years of age**, they shall fill the form by inserting Name and Family Name of one of their **Parents or Guardians** and tick all boxes related to the authorizations);

   b)   2023 FIV card number or any other 2023 MNA card number of a World Sailing affiliated Nation If it is not possible to make in your country, FIV will make it at cost of Euro 10 (contact the OA);

   c)   Yacht Club of membership (if one);

   d)   **Boat's name*** on Virtual Regatta Inshore;

e) User Name (including the number after the **#**) on Discord platform;

5.3* **[NP] The OA reserves the right with unquestionable discretion to deny those players who, at the time of registration, present boat names that can unequivocally cause mockery, offense or that convey political, ethnic, religious, gender or other purposes and in any case are not in line with the dictates of the FIV and IOC and their respective CODES of ETHICS.**

5.4 Once the registration has been confirmed, it is necessary to make sure that you have been enabled on the EUROSAF Discord eSailing Channel (EDEC).

5.5 The final entry list will be posted on the regatta EDEC at **#entries** as soon as possible after the closing of registration.

5.6 In case of a rejection of the registration or absence of one or more players at the end of the registration period, the entry list will be completed by adding european players based on the order of ranking at the end of the qualifying series (e.g. ranked 81st, 82nd, 83rd, and so on).

5.7 The OA reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to accept late entries.

6. BOATS

6.1 The boats used will be (not in order):
F50, Nacra, Laser, J70, Offshore Racer, 49er.

6.2 Each boat can be used at least once.

7. SCHEDULE & PRELIMINARY EVENT FORMAT

7.1 The preliminary schedule is as follows:

Racing Days	Hour	Regatta Stage	Number of Players	Location
From May 17th to 19th	from 1700 to 1700	Qualifying Series	7.000/10.000	On-Line
May 22th	2200	Quarters Finals	70 male - 10 female	On-Line - Private Room
May 25th	2200	Semifinals	40	On-Line - Private Room
May 29th	2200	FINAL	20	On-Line - Private Room
May 29th	to Follow	Prize Giving	Top 3 Open & Female	On-Line - EDEC

7.2 The players will be divided in heats based on the number of entries.

7.3 The format will be: Qualifying series, Quarters Finals, Semifinals and Final.

7.4 The detailed event format will be published, as soon as possible, after the close of registration on the EDEC **#documents**.

8. NUMBER of RACES, DISCARD and VALIDITY

8.1 The Regatta is a fleet race event.

8.2 **Races and Discards:**
   a) *Qualifying Series*: Minimum ten (10) races - VRI System ten (10) best race series;
   b) *Quarters Finals* [eighty (80) players]: six (6) races will be sailed, NO discard;
   c) *Semifinals* [forty (40) players]: six (6) races will be sailed, NO discard;
   d) *Final Stage 1* [twenty (20) players]: six (6) races will be sailed, NO discard;
   e) *Medal Series* [the best ten (10) players of the Final Stage 1]: three (3) races NO discard;
   f) In the medal series the ten (10) players will carry on the points from the final stage 1.

8.3 The eighty (80) players will be divided into heats at the sole discretion of OA.

8.4   The OA, *if possible*, will practice the following guidelines:
   a)   Minimum ten (10) entries;
   b)   No more than eighteen (18) players per heat;
   c)   With more than twenty (20) entries, heats will be constituted.
8.5   The regatta will be valid if at least three (3) races (of all heats, if present) will be scored.
8.6   **[NP]** The OA may change the format at its discretion at any time.

9.   RESULTS and SCORING SYSTEM [DP] [NP]

9.1   The regatta will be held by drawing up a single ranking among the various heats on the basis of the points totaled by each player applying the "**Low Point"** scoring system (1st place 1 point, 2nd place 2 points, 3rd place 3 points and so on) modified as follows:
DNC (a player who does not enter in the assigned room), **DNS** (player who enters the assigned room/race but doesn't start) and **DNF** (player who starts the race but doesn't finish) will receive the score equal to the number of entries (in that fleet or heat) +1.

9.2   **[DP] [NP]** Each player will receive the points only when they race with the VRI profile with which they registered. A player may use a VRI profile other than the original one but shall promptly notify in writing via discord on the **PRO Channel** no later than one (1) hour before the start of the first race of the regatta.

9.3   At the end of each race (or series of heats), the race committee will publish the **#results** on SailScore. The link will be available in the EDEC of each heat.

9.4   For any scoring issue please write a request on the channel **#scorer**.

9.5   The regatta will end with the announcement of the winners.

10.   TIES

10.1   In the regatta the players in the different heats with equal points, will be classified using the following criteria in order:
   a)   Most first places, second places and so on;
   b)   Position in the last race sailed;
   c)   Best position in the heat (ex: A with 10 points is 3rd in his heat and B with 10 points is 5th).

10.2   In the event that, after having applied criteria a, b, and c, the ties are still not resolved, the players will be classified ex aequo.

11.   PROTEST

11.1   A player intending to protest for an action that happened "on the water" shall complete the eProtest Form.

11.2   It is mandatory to attach to the eProtest form a video of the action for those cases listed in the preamble of the form (Team Racing, Cheating, Piracy, a breach of NoR & SI).

11.3   For all other cases not mentioned in the preamble of the eProtest Form a screenshot or a photo will be considered reasonable.

11.4   The Information about the day, the order and the time of each hearing (case) will be notified to the parties by the calendar that will be posted on **#hearings**.

11.5   The cases will be discussed on-line as soon as possible on the vocal channel **#case-discussion**, the parties of a hearing, including any witness will be invited to join this channel at about the scheduled time for their case.

11.6   The OA will appoint a Protest Committee for the event. The committee will consist of three (3) members and their decision will be final (no right of appeal). In exceptional circumstances the PC may consist of only one (1) member.

12. AWARDS & PRIZES

12.1   The award ceremony will take place as soon as possible after the last race of the Medal Series.

12.2   The following will be awarded:

    a)   **1st, Open Division** - **2023 EUROSAF eSailing European Championship** (presented by EUROSAF); on site in Genova [travel (***from an EU country***) and accommodation provided by EUROSAF];

    b)   2nd, 3rd,   **Open division** will receive an award at their home (presented by EUROSAF);

    c)   1st, 2nd, 3rd   **Female division** will receive an award at their home (presented by EUROSAF);

    d)   **1st Italian eSailor** - **2023 Mille x Una Vela Trophy** (presented by FIV).

12.3   **[DP] [NP]** Winners are required to join the live video award ceremony (with their own camera on).

13. MEDIA & PARTNERS

13.1   The Regatta will be broadcast live with commentary on the YouTube, Facebook, and TikTok pages of the Italian Sailing Federation and the event will also be supported by the authorized streamers and social channels.

13.2   Each player is free to publish photos of the regatta on their social channels, using the hashtags #eurosaf #efiv, #fiv #virtualregattaitalia to tag the official pages.

13.3   By participating in the event, the players grant the OA and the sponsors, automatically and free of charge, the perpetual right to create, use, and display, from time to time at their discretion, films, live or recorded photos and any other reproductions of players before, during and after the competition period.

13.4   Players may be asked to be interviewed during the event.

13.5   The OA has the right to use all images and sounds recorded during the event free of charge.

14. DISCLAIMER

14.1   Plaq, the Organizing Committee, the Italian Sailing Federation, the EUROSAF, the Race Officials, the streamers and Sponsors assume NO responsibility for lack of internet connection speed, for data usage, for game purchases by players and any issues encountered by third party vendors, Virtual Race Inshore.

ADDENDUM ALFA - OCS/PENALTY START
The BLACK MAMBA

A boat that in the last minute (-1') before the STARTING SIGNAL decides deliberately to place any part of her hull on the COURSE SIDE of the starting line or her extensions with the only goal to sail towards the starting line (or around her extensions) to clear it and start OR, on port tack sailing through other boats, shall be disqualified (DSQ) without a hearing from that race. **See some examples in the diagrams below:**

STARTING SIGNAL
between Pos 4 and 6/7

STARTING SIGNAL
between Pos 4 and 5

STARTING SIGNAL
between Pos 3 and 4.

STARTING SIGNAL
at about Pos 8

STARTING SIGNAL
at about Pos 5