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1 Organizing Authority

The **Aegean Regatta 2026** is organized by the General Secretariat for the Aegean and Island Policy, in co-operation with the Hellenic Sailing Federation / Hellenic Offshore Committee (H.S.F / H.O.C.) and the following Clubs: Mytilene Sailing Club, Offshore Yachting Club of Rhodes, Offshore Racing Club of Lesbos, Nautical Club of Chios, Nautical Club of Samos and the coordinator for 2026, PEKEV Chios.

2 Rules

The regatta will be governed by the following rules.

- 2.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2025-2028).
- 2.2 The IMS Rule.
- 2.3 The ORC Rating Systems Rule.
- 2.4 The IRC Rule.
- 2.5 The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS).
- 2.6 The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations
 - The races are in Category 4 of this Regulation.
 - **Specially for the offshore races the following additions to this Category are required:**
 - ✓ **Second potable VHF in compliance with OSR 3.29.2, if there isn't fixed station.**
 - ✓ **Four (4) Red Hand Flares LSA III 3.2 in compliance with OSR 4.23b.**
 - ✓ **Harness in compliance with OSR 5.02.1, 5.02.2 & 5.02.3, for all the crew members**
 - ✓ **Either heavy weather jib in compliance with OSR 4.27.1 & 4.27.3 or a storm trysail in compliance with OSR 4.27.1 & 4.27.2 or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40% in compliance with OSR 4.26.1.**
 - ✓ **Jackstays for harnesses in compliance with OSR 4.04.2.**
 - ✓ **Engine in compliance with OSR 3.28.1a, b, e, f, g.**
 - All boats are required to have VHF radios with channels 16 and 72
- 2.7 The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea. The Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing is replaced by Part B of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea from **21:00 to 06:30** local time.
- 2.8 The Hellenic Sailing Federation National Prescriptions.
- 2.9 The HSF/Offshore Committee's special prescriptions for Offshore Races.
- 2.10 A boat racing under IRC rule is allowed to carry on board a second mainsail, but only one can be used during a race. This changes the IRC Rule 21.1.5e.
- 2.11 A boat racing with ORC certificate, may carry aboard one (1) more headsail than the number of headsails defined in the ORC Rating Rule 206.1, with the following exception:

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If, according to the ORC certificate of the boat, only one (1) headsail set on the forestay is allowed aboard while racing, the boat may carry one (1) more headsail set on the forestay. That headsail shall be of area not less than 95% of the largest headsail set on the forestay recorded in the certificate.

All of the above shall be with respect to the ORC Rating Rule 304.1(c)(ii).

This changes the ORC Rating Rule 206.1

2.12 [NP] Denotes that the breach of that rule will not be grounds for a protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1(a).

2.13 If there is a conflict between Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the SI will take precedence (This changes the RRS 63.5(c)).

2.14 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available online at the official electronic event notice board.

4 Communication with the competitors

4.1 The online Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at:

<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/13759/event>

4.2 Communication with the competitors will be through the online ONB with additional courtesy information by e-mails and/or WhatsApp. Each boat shall have at least one device connected to the internet with WhatsApp installed.

4.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio (Channel 72).

4.4 Failure or delay to send or receive a notice will not be ground for request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

5 Eligibility and Classes

5.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code

5.2 The regatta is open to all boats with valid ORC International, ORC Club or IRC Endorsed or Standard Certificate.

5.3 Classes are defined as follows:

- a. ORC Performance.
- b. ORC Sport.
- c. ORC non spinnaker.
- d. IRC.

5.4 Each boat can participate only in one of the above classes.

5.5 To assign a title to a class or division, the number of boats shall be not less than 5. The organizing authority may decide to merge classes depending on the number of entries.

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5.6 Divisions may be defined in a class based on each boat's certificate and the number of entries in the class. If divisions are defined in a class, then a title will be assigned to each division and not to the class.

5.7 Classes and/or divisions will have separate starts and separate results.

5.8 **There is no entry fee.**

5.9 The organizing authority is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's registration.

6 Registration and Entries

6.1 Eligible boats may pre-register until Friday, August 21st (22:00) by completing the on-line registration form at:

<https://aegeanregatta.gr/dilosi-prothesis-symmetochis-2026/>

6.2 Each Owner or the Skipper of a boat must personally register in the Race Office located at Limnia marina, Chios, from **Friday, August 21st (11:00 local time)** until **Saturday, August 22nd (17:00 local time)**.

6.3 Late entries may be accepted at organizing authority's discretion.

6.4 The following documents shall be presented (or send to) at the registration (this changes RRS 78.2):

- a. Valid Rating Certificate.
- b. Valid third-party insurance with the minimum cover of the Greek Law. The insurance must be valid for participation in sailing races.
- c. If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority permission
- d. Crew list with name, surname for each crew member
- e. Contact phone number both on boat and land, including the name of the contact person

6.5 Crew lists may be amended up to **Saturday, August 22nd 18:00 hrs. local time** by filling a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the Race Committee.

7 Advertising – DP/NP

7.1 World Sailing Advertising Code will apply.

7.2 Event Advertising by the Organizing Authority may be:

- a. Bow numbers with advertisement which has to be displayed as forward as possible on the both sides of the hull.
- b. Sponsor's flag that has to be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.

7.3 Boats carrying personal advertising must present the permission of their National Authority.

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- 7.4 The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras, position devices, and guest riders whose on-board position restrictions are defined in the Sailing Instructions.

8 Schedule

- 8.1 Dates to note:

Date	Time	Event
21/08/2026 (FRI)	11:00	Registration and inspections
22/08/2026 (SAT)	10:00	Registration and inspections
	20:00	Skippers meeting
	21:00	Opening ceremony

- 8.1.1 Schedule for the **ORC performance boats**

Date	Time	Race or event
23/08/2026 (SUN)	11:00	Offshore race Limnia – Fournoi approx. distance 64nm
24/08/2026 (MON)		Rest Day
	21:00	Prize giving ceremony
25/08/2026 (TUE)	11:00	Offshore race Fournoi - Marathokampos approx. distance 50nm
26/08/2026 (WED)		Rest day
27/08/2026 (THU)	11:00	Inshore races 2 x W/L
	21:00	Prize giving ceremony
28/08/2026 (FRI)	11:00	Inshore race approx. distance 8nm
	21:00	Closing ceremony

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8.1.2 Schedule for the IRC, ORC sport and non-Spinnaker boats

Date	Time	Race or event
23/08/2026 (SUN)	11:00	Offshore race Limnia – Fournoi approx. distance 64nm
24/08/2026 (MON)		Rest Day
	21:00	Prize giving ceremony
25/08/2026 (TUE)	11:00	Offshore race Fournoi - Agathonisi approx. distance 25nm
	21:00	Prize giving ceremony (Agathonisi)
26/08/2026 (WED)	11:00	Offshore race Agathonisi - Marathokampos approx. distance 22nm
27/08/2026 (THU)	11:00	Rest day
	21:00	Prize giving ceremony
28/08/2026 (FRI)	11:00	Inshore race approx. distance 8nm
	21:00	Closing ceremony

8.2 Five (5) races are scheduled for ORC performance boats, including two (2) offshore races and three (3) inshore races.

8.3 Four (4) races are scheduled for IRC, ORC sport and non-Spinnaker boats, including three (3) offshore races and one (1) inshore race.

8.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be given after **15:00** unless it follows a signal of general recall of a race whose first warning signal had been made before **15:00**.

9 Inspections – DP/NP

9.1 Each boat shall be available for safety inspection from **21/08/2026 (12:00)** until **22/08/2026 (19:00)**.

9.2 Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the regatta, by the Technical Committee appointed for this event, at any time before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

9.3 Each boat shall have a 2026 valid certificate issued up to August 22nd (18:00 hrs.). Certificates issued after that time-date may be accepted only with permission of the organizing authority. This changes RRS 78.2.

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9.4 No changes shall be made on the certificates after August 22nd (18:00 hrs.) unless prescribed and approved by the technical committee in correcting any error that may be found in boat's certificate before or during the pre-race equipment inspection and before the start of the first race.

9.5 The time limit for a measurement protest by a boat on the rating in the final entry list is two hours after the posting of this list. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 61.3.

10 Venue

10.1 The event will be sailed on the waters of the North East Aegean Sea, Greece.

10.2 The starting port is Limnia marina Chios.

10.3 The inshore races will be at Marathokampos Samos.

11 International Jury

An International Jury appointed according to the RRS Appendix N will supervise the event, with no right of appeal according to the RRS 70.3(a).

12 Scoring and results

12.1 ORC boats, for the offshore and inshore races:

- a. The race results will be determined by the corrected times calculated using single **Time-on-Time** factors. These factors are provided by the ORC Weather Routing Service. The list of these factors will be published not later than 6 hours before the start.
- b. If a boat's certificate is changed in accordance with ORC Rules 305.2 or 305.3, her ToT will be modified by applying the percentage of the difference in APHT between the original and the amended certificate.
- c. The race committee may decide to score a race using APHT (time on time all purpose) factors. This decision will be announced to the boats at least before the preparatory signal. The decision on the scoring method and scoring parameters will be at the sole discretion of the race committee and together with the length of course and the weather forecast used shall not be grounds for request for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

12.2 ORC performance boats for the W/L races:

- a. The race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Polar Curve Scoring and constructed course scoring method.
- b. The decision on the scoring parameters will be at the sole discretion of the race committee and together with the length of

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course used shall not be grounds for request for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

12.3 IRC boats:

The results for all races will be determined by corrected times calculated by the "Time on Time" system.

12.4 The winners of the "Aegean Regatta 2026" will be designated by the total of their race scores without any discard. This changes RRS A2.1

12.5 The "AEGEAN REGATTA 2026" is valid if at least two (2) races are completed.

13 Support boats – DP/NP

All support boats shall be registered at the race office.

14 Nautical charts

The Hellenic Navy Hydrographic Service (www.hnhs.gr) navigation charts are recommended.

15 Berthing

15.1 The birth at all ports is free of charge.

15.2 The mooring of the sailing boats participating in the race, in some of the ports may be done side by side (alongside). There is a possibility of difficulties in the supply of water and electricity in some of these ports

16 Haul-out Restrictions – DP

From 9.00 hrs. of August 23rd until the end of the last scheduled race of the series boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the Technical Committee.

17 Media rights

By participating in Aegean Regatta 2026, a competitor automatically grants to the Organizing Authority, the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the Regatta, to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever, for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect competitor's name and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known. The use of Aegean Regatta's material is permitted only under written permission of the Organizing Authority.

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18 Disclaimer of Liability

- 18.1 All competitors (skippers and crew members), participating in the “AEGEAN REGATTA 2026”, admit that the Regatta is and themselves are governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Sailing Instructions, the Notice of Race and the rules and regulations as they are defined in art. 2 of this NoR.
- 18.2 By filing the Entry Form in accordance with art. 5 and 6 of this NoR, participants admit explicitly that they participate and race at their own risk and responsibility.
- 18.3 The Organizing authority, the Hellenic Sailing Federation, the Offshore Committee of the Hellenic Sailing Federation, the Race Committee, the International Jury, the Technical Committee and any other Committee related to the Regatta, and/or the Sponsor(s) shall have no liability for any damage (positive, loss of profit, or moral), injury and/or death of a person, participant or third party, that may occur during the race or at any other time in relation there to.
- 18.4 It is the obligation and the sole responsibility of the skipper and all the persons handling the boat to decide on the sufficient degree of knowledge and experience of the crew, as well as the sufficiency of such crew in number, for the purposes of the absolute safe handling of the boat they sail in, the soundness and seaworthiness of the boat, with regards to wind strength and sea state as well as the weather forecast and to decide whether they will participate or not in a scheduled race of the regatta.
- 18.5 Special attention is drawn to the fundamental rule RRS 3 of Part A of the Racing Rules of Sailing of World Sailing (RRS) «Decision to participate in a race».

19 Data Protection

- 19.1 The OA, in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), will use information provided by competitors for the purposes of the event management only.
- 19.2 This data will be held in compliance with the GDPR and will not be shared with any third parties or used for marketing purposes other than contacting competitors by email, post, SMS and telephone with information regarding this event or future events. Competitors will be required to provide their specific consent to this on their entry form.

20 Insurance

- 20.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with the minimum cover of Greek Law. Regardless, it is the responsibility of the owners to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third-Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

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20.2 The Insurance must be explicitly valid when participating in sailing races.

21 Trophies and Prizes

21.1 Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall winners of each class or division (if any).

21.2 Prizes will be awarded to the 1st winner of each class or division (if any), for each individual race.

22 Further information

For further information please contact:

- *The Organizing Authority*
Email: info@aegeanregatta.gr
- *PEKEV Chios*
Email: pekevrontadou@hotmail.com
- *Event Official Webpage*
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