



NOTICE OF RACE

Serbian Sailing Association is pleased to invite all Nations to take part in the

XLII BALKAN & OPEN BALKAN SAILING CHAMPIONSHIPS

OLYMPIC CLASSES & OPTIMIST

To be held at Donji Milanovac from 2nd to 7th September 2009.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The Balkan Championship will be governed by the Rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing enforced.
- 1.2 No prescription of the Serbian Sailing Federation will apply.
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply to the extent they are referenced into the International Optimist, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, Finn, 470 and RS:X Classes.
- 1.4 No Racing Rule change requiring advance preparation will apply. Racing Rules changes will appear in the sailing instructions.
- 1.5 The official language of the Championship is English. All documents related to the Event shall be written only in English.
- 1.6 The Balkan Championship is open to:
Optimist M+W; Laser Radial W; Laser Standard M; Finn Senior & Junior; 470 M + W and Junior; RS:X M + W and Junior.

2 Advertising

- 2.1 Category A applies for the Optimist Class and category C for all other Classes.

3 Eligibility and entry fees

- 3.1 The Balkan Championship is open to boats mentioned in 1.6 and to competitors who comply with the ISAF Regulation 19. Each crew member of a competing boat/board shall be a national of or ordinarily resident of the nation where the National Authority the crew intends to represent is established. Participating crews in the Balkan Championship shall be nominated by their National Authority.
- 3.2 The participation in the Balkan Championship is restricted as indicated below:
Each member Nation is allowed to participate with:
 - 1 Team Leader
 - 5 officials & support personnel
 - 1 Judge (preferably IJ if they exist in the Member Nation)
 - 5 Optimist (boy)
 - 3 Optimist (Girl)

- 2 Laser Standard
- 2 Laser Radial
- 2 Finn (Senior)
- 2 Finn (Junior)
- 2 470 (Senior)
- 2 470 (Junior)
- 2 470 (Women)
- 2 RS:X (Men)
- 2 RS:X (Women)
- 2 RS:X (Junior)

TOTAL 41 PERSONS

- 3.3 No entry fee will be required
- 3.4 List of participants shall be send to Serbian sailing Association jssrbije@sbb.rs no later than 1st august 2009.
- 3.5 The Organizing Authority shall cover the full accommodation and food costs of the participating Balkan countries team within the declared quota. Member Nations may participate with competitor and delegates higher than indicated in the quota system. In that case the extra expenses shall be covered by their National Authority.
Nations outside of the Balkan Region shall participate with full accommodation and food covered by themselves.
- 3.6 Balkan countries may increase their allocated quota of sailors or support personnel if they wish, but in that case preliminary information shall be given to the host country and all relevant costs for accommodation and food to be covered by requesting countries.

4 Regatta format

- 4.1 The Balkan Championship will consist of up to 12 planned races in each Class and Categories. A minimum of 4 races shall be required to validate the Championship. Only in Optimist Class Fleet Race is planned for 9 races and on the last day Open Nations Cup will be organised under Team Race. (Round Robbin, Qualification and final flights). Every participating nation will participate with one team (mixed at the discretion of the nation= 4 boats), if the total number of the teams is not an even number, the host nation will participate with two teams.

5 Schedule

- 2nd September - Official Arrivals
- 2nd September - Measurement Control/Final registration
- 2nd September - Opening Ceremony at 18:00
- 3rd September - Races - First start at 11:00
- 4th September - Races
- 5th September - Races
- 6th September - Races
- 6th September - Closing and prize-giving ceremony at 19:00
- 7th September - Departure of the teams

No warning signal will be given on the last racing day after 16:00. (except Optimist Team Race)

6 Measurements

- 6.1 Each boat/board shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate, including the completed Measurement Control Form, at the time of pre-race measurement controls.
- 6.2 In accordance with Racing Rule 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78, competitors are considered to be the owners).

7 Sailing instructions

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be delivered to competitors at the time of final registration at the Race Office.

8 Venue

- 8.1 The regatta site is located at Donji Milanovac (map in attachment).

9 The courses

Course type will be "Olympic trapezoid" for Laser, Laser Radial, 470, Finn & RS:X Classes, Optimist will race on the standard Optimist course. Team Race will be held on smaller Optimist Course to be laid near to the shore on the last day.

10 Penalty system

- 11.1 Appendix P will apply for infringements of RRS 42.
- 11.2 For the Optimist Team Race R.R.S. D2.2 will be applied
- 11.3 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in Racing Rule 70.5

11 Scoring

- 11.1 Each series score in Classes or Categories will be established as follows:
 - a) when fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her races score,
 - b) when five to eight races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her races score, excluding her worst one,
 - c) when nine to twelve races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her races score excluding her two worst scores.
 - d) In the Optimist Team Race Nations Cup, scoring will be made according to R.R.S. D3 & D4

12 Support boats

- 12.1 Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations shall be registered at the Regatta Office before the first racing day. They shall provide at the same time the Regatta Office with their national flag (around 150 cm x 100 cm) and their national anthem on CD-ROM, for the Opening Ceremony.
- 12.2 Support boats shall fly their national flag or a flag with their three national letters clearly on a staff, or shall be permanently marked with a sticker of their national flag or the three national letters on each side of the boat or the engine.
- 12.3 Drivers of the support boats shall present a copy of their driving license or permit to the Race Office during registration.

13 Prizes and titles

- 13.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third crews of each Event by the Organizer.

The first crew of the final official ranking list of the Balkan Championship will be declared :

470, Finn, Laser Standard, RS:X Class Men's Balkan Champions

470, Laser Radial, RS:X Class Class Women's Balkan Champions

470, Finn, RS:X Class Junior's Balkan Champions

Optimist Class Boy's Balkan Champion

Optimist Class Girl's Balkan Champion

Optimist Team Race "Balkan Champion Team"

14 Disclaimer of liability

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the Balkan Sailing Championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to race. The Organizing Authority and all parties involved in the Balkan Sailing Championship organization will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Balkan Championship.

15 Insurance

- 15.1 Each participating boat (including coach or support boats) shall be insured with a valid third party liability insurance for material damage of max 10.000 EURO and others with a minimum cover of 540.000 EURO per event or equivalent.
- 15.2 Organizing authorities will facilitate not insured participating boats to obtain an insurance policy at the venue for the duration of the event.

16 RIGHTS-of-USE

All participants in the Championship automatically accept that the Organizing Authority and the Sponsor(s) of the regatta reserve indefinitely the right to produce, use and show at their discretion, motion pictures and live broadcasts in film or video, including their reproduction, during and after the regatta, without any financial claim

17 Accommodation and miscellaneous

- Accommodation will be in hotel Lepenski Vir in Donji Milanovac, approximately 1 Km from Race Office.
- On attached map is shown how to reach Donji Milanovac (marked with blue lines).
- For further information, please contact Serbian Sailing Association office jssrbije@sbb.rs or www.sailing.org.rs.

