



JK PIRAT
PORTOROŽ



Kindly invites you to the 2nd



OPTIOPENING 2023

2 March to 5 March, 2023

Portorož - Slovenija

NOTICE OF RACE



The Organizing Authority of the event is Sailing Club Pirat Portorož in cooperation with Slovenian Sailing Federation.

The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. Pirat Opti Opening will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times whilst afloat
- 1.3. If there is any conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after Wednesday, 1 March 2023 on the event website and on the official online notice board.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. Pirat Opti Opening is open to all Optimist class boats in the following categories:

Category	Born in years	Max No. of competitors
Junior	2008, 2009, 2010, 2011	240
Cadet (U-12)	2012, 2013	
Rookie	2014, 2015, 2016 or started sailing in 2022 or 2023	60

Junior and Cadet category will sail together.

- 3.2. Coaches of the Rookie category competitors may request Organizing Authority to race in Junior/Cadet category. The Organising Authority has the right to refuse the change of category.
- 3.3. All competitors shall be members of Slovenian Sailing Federation or any other World Sailing Member National Authority and shall be born on or after 1 January 2008.
- 3.4. It is mandatory for all competitors to have a coach or support person at the Pirat Opti Opening.
- 3.5. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form with all accompanying documents, available on the event website and paying the appropriate entry fee. To be considered an entry valid, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees (kindly see Payment deadlines as per NoR 4.1.).
- 3.6. Online entry will open on Thursday, 12 January 2023 and close on Thursday, 25 February 2023 at 23:59 or until maximum number of entries is reached as mentioned in NoR 3.1., whatever is first. After the online entry closes due to reaching the maximum number of allowed entries, the Organizing Authority (OA) will start a waiting list and competitors will be advised that they are on a waiting list. Competitors on the waiting list will only be accepted, after written approval of the OA, and only for categories that have not reached their maximum number of allowed entries. In case of waiting list, the OA will announce the waiting list entering procedure on event website (kindly check section *REGATTAS* on OA's website).
- 3.7. No entry will be considered as valid without payment of the required entry fee as per NoR 4.1.

- 3.8. All non-Rookie online entries shall be personally confirmed in the race office latest on Thursday, 2 March 2023 until 21:00.

All online entries for the Rookie category shall be personally confirmed in the race office latest on Saturday, 4 March 2023 until 09:00.

Registration of competitors shall be made only by the corresponding coaches or team leaders.

- 3.9. The following documents shall be present at the registration:
- Fulfilled and signed Parental or Legal Guardian's Authorization for sailor (available on the event website).
 - Disclaimer of Responsible Person (available on the event website).
 - Original third party insurance policy, covering not less than 1.000.000 EUR (NoR 15).
 - Original support vessel insurance policy.
- 3.10. The Organizing Committee has the right to accept entries received after the entry deadline.
- 3.11. No entry will be considered as valid without payment of the required Entry fee.
- 3.12. Competitors can request the cancellation of their entry by sending the Organizing Committee an e-mail to regata@klub-pirat.si. If request is made latest on Thursday, 23 February 2023 and is accepted by the OC, the entry fee will be reimbursed after deduction of an administrative fee of 10 EUR. No refund will be made if the cancellation is received after 23 February 2023.

4. FEES

- 4.1. Entry fee is:

Type	Payment made	Category	Entry fee
Standard	Latest on 23 February 2023	Junior & Cadet	60,00 EUR
		Rookie	40,00 EUR
Late entry fee	On or after 24 February 2023 and latest on 3 March 2023	Junior & Cadet	80,00 EUR
		Rookie	50,00 EUR

Entry fee includes personal gift, daily meal after sailing and tickets to all social events.

- 4.2. Late entry fee could be paid at the registration in the race office in cash only.

5. [NP] [DP] ADVERTISING

- 5.1. Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by class rule 2.8.
- 5.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 5.3. The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

6. [NP] FORMAT OF RACING

- 6.1. Boats will be divided into fleets, as far as possible with the same number of boats.
- 6.2. Junior and Cadet category will sail together and will have one results.
Rookie category will have separate course and results on the same racing area.

- 6.3. The allocation to fleets will be done by the Race Committee on Thursday, 2 March 2023 after the closing of registrations.
- 6.4. Fleets will sail an open series, followed by a final series.
- 6.5. If minimum four (4) races have been completed until the end of the second scheduled racing day, the last racing day will be the final series.
- 6.6. An open series will not count, until all fleets in the open series have completed the same number of races.
- 6.7. Final series: Boats will be assigned to final series fleets (Gold, Silver, Bronze) on the basis of their rank in the open series.
- 6.8. In the final series, boats do not need to sail the same number of races.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1. Schedule of registration, racing and number of races

Date	Time	Category	Description	Races per day
2 Mar	17:00 – 21:00	All	Registration	
3 Mar	09:00 11:00	All Junior & Cadet	Coach Meeting Racing (open series)	3
4 Mar	08:00 – 09:00 11:00	Rookie Junior & Cadet Rookie	Registration Racing (open series) Racing (final series)	3 3
5 Mar	11:00	Junior & Cadet Rookie	Racing (final series) Racing (final series)	3 3

- 7.2. No more than four (4) races may be sailed each day.
- 7.3. The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day is at 11:00.
- 7.4. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

8. [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Each boat shall present a valid measurement certificate.

9. VENUE

NoR Addendum A shows the location of the club, regatta harbour and the racing areas.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1. The course will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg.
- 10.2. The course for the Rookie will be windward/leeward or trapezoid with shorter target time.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1. RRS Appendix P will apply.
- 11.2. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

12. [NP] SCORING

- 12.1. Nine (9) races are scheduled and the event will be valid if at least three (3) races will be finished.
- 12.2. (a) When fewer than four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. [NP] [DP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 13.1. Team and support vessel drivers shall register their vessels via online formular or at the Race Office before the start of the event. The registrations shall include sail numbers of boats they are supporting.
- 13.2. Support boats shall be marked with numbered flags, supplied by Organising Authority.
- 13.3. Refundable deposit for a flag is 20,00 EUR and will be given back while returning the flag.
- 13.4. Coaches are encouraged to use a VHF radio. Radios will not be provided and coaches should bring their own.
- 13.5. Fuel for support boats will be available on OMV petrol station in Marina Portorož. It is forbidden to refuel the boats in club area.

14. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a board's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, board handling errors, poor seamanship by other boards, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

15. [NP] [DP] INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.000.000 EUR per event of the equivalent.
Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.

16. DATA PROTECTION

By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures, and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the event, and of all of his or her material related to the event, without compensation.

17. [NP] PRIZES

- 17.1. Prizes will be awarded to:
- the five best-placed competitors overall
 - three best-placed girl competitors
 - three best placed cadet boys (born 2012 or later)

- three best placed cadet girls (born 2012 or later)
- three best placed rookie boys
- three best placed rookie girls

18. ACCOMMODATION

Dedicated person will assist you for special arrangements. Please contact the Organising Authority

19. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Organising Authority of the event.

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