



ORC Double Handed World Championship

Monfalcone, Italy, 7 – 13 September 2025

Notice of Race

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The latest version of the following rules will also apply:
 - a) IMS Rules
 - b) ORC Rating Systems Rules
 - c) [DP] World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3 with following additions:
 - i) Life raft as defined in OSR 4.20 for Category 2 is required, except that OSR 4.20.3(e) shall not apply.
 - ii) Life Jackets as defined in OSR 5.01 shall be worn while a boat is afloat, except when she is made fast or moored or if the crew is below deck.
 - iii) Boat's AIS shall be active from the first day of equipment inspection until the end of the event.
 - iv) Attention is drawn to OSR 6.01.3: "When there are only two crewmembers, at least one shall have undertaken training within the five years before the start of the race in OSR 6.02 Training Topics"
- 1.3 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
 - a) All sails, including storm & heavy weather sails required by the OSR, shall have measurement stamp or sticker with all required measurements clearly readable.
 - b) [DP] Each boat shall select sails to be used at the event up to the maximum numbers as defined in ORC Rule 206.1. Selected sails will be marked with event's sticker. Only sails marked with event's sticker may be on board during the event.
 - c) [DP] Sails carried on board may vary from day to day but shall remain the same for each individual race day(s). The race day begins when the boat leaves for the race course from its dock or mooring.
 - d) [DP] Sails damaged during the event may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with permission of the technical committee.
- 1.4 The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) replace RRS Part 2 from sunset to sunrise.
- 1.5 [DP] A breach of RRS 56.2 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.6 No national authority prescriptions will apply, except that all Italian sailors shall be registered at the Italian Sailing Federation.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.
- 1.8 Automatic and wind-vane devices for steering may be used.



2 Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities and may be posted earlier at www.ycmonfalcone.com/orc-dh-worlds-2025/.

3 Communication

3.1 The online Official Notice Board (ONB) is located at www.ycmonfalcone.com/orc-dh-worlds-2025/.

3.2 Communication with competitors will be through the online ONB and WhatsApp. Each boat shall have at least one device connected to the internet with WhatsApp installed. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.

3.3 [DP] RRS 41(c) is changed as follows:

- a) A boat shall not receive help from any outside source, except help in the form of information, which is freely available to all boats, whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription. However, this shall not include interpretation of information gathered by advice from any source not on the boat specific to the boat and her situation.
- b) By way of an example and interpretation, downloading charts, weather and/or tidal GRIB files from subscription services, or having such information passed to the boat in its pure form, is permitted but receiving messages or information which is the result of interpretation from person outside of the boat is not permitted.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code. Competitors shall be at least 14 years old on 7 September 2025. Competitors under the age of 18 must submit the Parental Consent Form at the registration.

4.2 The event is open to all boats with valid 2025 ORC DH International certificate with APH between 418.0 and 630.0 s/NM included. The flotation date on an ORC DH International Certificate shall not be earlier than **7 September 2020**.

4.3 Classes are defined as follows:

Class A: APH from 418.0 – 517.9 s/NM

Class B: APH from 518.0 – 557.9 s/NM

Class C: APH from 558.0 – 630.0 s/NM

- a) To assign a WORLD Double Handed Champion title in a class the number of boats plus the number of countries shall be not less than 10. If the minimum number of boats in a class is not met, that class may be grouped with the closest class. In this case, only one Championship title will be assigned to the combined classes.
- b) The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a national of the country the boat is representing. "National" is defined as either the holder of a passport or identity card, or a similar document stating residential status in the country represented.
- c) Classes will have separate starts and separate results.
- d) Three divisions will be defined in each class based on crew gender: Male for crew made of two men, Female for crew made of two women and Mix for crew made of one man and one woman. Division results will be extrapolated from the overall results of each class.



- 4.4 Any change after applying ORC rule 305.2(b) or (c) shall not change the class the boat was originally entered.
- 4.5 Eligible boats may pre-register until **15 August 2025** by completing the on-line registration from at: www.ycmonfalcone.com/orc-dh-worlds-2025. Late entries may be accepted at organizer's discretion. Additional fee may be applied.
- 4.6 To be considered as pre-registered, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event website upon receipt of each new entry.
- 4.7 Once the entry is accepted, each boat shall submit crew list before **24 August 2025**. Crew shall not be changed except in case of injury or illness and with the written permission of the technical committee.
- 4.8 Each owner or skipper must personally register in the race office located at **Yacht Club Monfalcone c/o Marina Monfalcone** from 09:00 on 7 September 2025 until 13:00 on 9 September 2025.

5 Entry Fee

- 5.1 The entry fee per boat shall be:

<i>Entries and payment received</i>	<i>Entry Fee</i>
Before 1 March 2025	600 EUR
From 1 March to 15 August 2025*	750 EUR

* *Late entries after 15 August 2025 may be accepted at organizer's discretion with higher entry fee.*

The entry fee shall be paid by bank transfer to:

IBAN IT90X0548464610000001002522

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with note: "owner, boat name and sail number"

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

6 Advertising

- 6.1 [DP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority according to the World Sailing Advertising Code as follows:
- Bow numbers to be displayed on both sides of the foremost 20% of the mainsail boom
 - Class flag that shall be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.
- 6.2 The organizing authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras and/or position devices, use of which will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.



7 Schedule

Sunday	7 September	09:00 – 18:00	Registration and equipment inspection
Monday	8 September	09:00 – 18:00	Registration and equipment inspection
Tuesday	9 September	09:00 – 13:00	Registration and equipment inspection
		14:00	Practice Race
		19:00	Opening Ceremony
Wednesday	10 September	11:00	Short offshore race
Thursday	11 September	13:00	Long offshore race
Friday	12 September		Long offshore race continued
Saturday	13 September		Long offshore race continued
		19:00	Prize giving

- The long offshore race will be approximately 48-60 hours for the slowest boat.
- The short offshore race will be approximately 8-10 hours for the slowest boat.
- The schedule may be changed depending on the weather and wind conditions.

8 Equipment Inspection

- Each boat shall have 2025 ORC DH International certificate issued up to **1 September 2025**. Certificates issued after that date may be accepted only by the request of the relevant ORC Rating office. This changes RRS 78.2.
- No changes shall be made on ORC DH International certificates after **1 September 2025** 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.
- Boats shall be available for equipment inspection from **7 September 2025 at 09:00** until **9 September 2025 at 13:00**. Booking of time slots for inspections by the boats will be available through the online system not later than **1 September 2025**.
- Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.
- A boat shall not start until she passes the pre-race equipment inspection.

9 Venue

- The venue for the event is **Marina Monfalcone Via Bagni Nuova 41 34074 Monfalcone Italy**.
- The course racing area will be along Italian, Slovenian and Croatian coast.

10 Penalty system

- RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for breaking one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident outside the *Zone* while racing.
- The intention is to appoint an international jury as provided in RRS 70.3.



11 Scoring

- 11.1 The Low Point System will apply as defined in RRS Appendix A except that race scores will be multiplied with the scoring coefficient of 1.0 for the short offshore race and 1.5 for the long offshore race.
- 11.2 Race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the single ToD coefficient.
- 11.3 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. No race score will be excluded.
- 11.4 RRS 90.3(e) shall apply.

12 Support person vessels

[DP] All support person vessels shall be registered at the race office. Identification numbers will be provided by the organizing authority. These numbers shall be always visible.

13 Nautical charts

The following nautical charts of the "Istituto Idrografico Marina Militare" are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: **chart number 924**.

14 Berthing

- 14.1 Boats will be moored, free of charge, until the available places are taken, at Marina Monfalcone under the responsibility of the owner or skipper from 3 September to 15 September 2025. The boats shall send end before their arrival the Mooring Form available at www.ycmonfalcone.com/orc-dh-worlds-2025/ indicating the date and time of arrival. If all available mooring places are taken in Marina Monfalcone, additional mooring places will be provided in the nearby marinas.
- 14.2 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

15 Haul-out Restrictions

- 15.1 [DP] All boats shall be in the water on **7 September 2025** until the end of the last scheduled race of the series.
- 15.2 [DP] Boats shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage; and only after written permission from the technical committee. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted. Appendages shall not be removed from the boat during the series.

16 Data Protection

Competitors, owners, and their guests shall grant the absolute right and permission to the organizing authority and the ORC for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.



17 Responsibility

- 17.1 The RRS 3 states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.” Therefore, participants are aware that sailing is among the activities governed by Article 2050 of the Italian Civil Code, and all participants must hold valid federal membership, which guarantees accident coverage, including death and permanent disability. Foreign competitors must comply with the requirements of their respective MNA and possess accident coverage, including death and permanent disability, as per the latest FIV regulations.
- 17.2 The skipper of each participating boat is responsible for the skill and experience of their crew to take part in a Category 3 race.
- 17.3 Competitors participate in the races at their own risk. See Rule 3, “Decision to Race.”
- 17.4 The organizing authority assumes no responsibility for damage to property, personal injury, or death occurring as a result of participation in the race, before, during, or after the event.

18 [DP] Environmental responsibility

- 18.1 Recalling the fundamental principle that states: “Participants are encouraged to minimize any negative environmental impact of the sport of sailing,” maximum attention is recommended for environmental protection at all times during the practice of sailing, before, during, and after the event. Particular attention is drawn to RRS 47, “Trash Disposal,” which explicitly states: “Competitors and support persons shall not intentionally put trash in the water. This rule applies at all times while afloat”.
- 18.2 The crew list must include the name of the Eco Board Manager, who is responsible for ensuring compliance with good practices for the protection of the sea.

19 Competitors Drones

- 19.1 [DP] Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the shore facilities or over the race area during training or racing days without complying with local legislation and without prior written approval by the organizing authority.
- 19.2 The approval granted at the sole discretion of the organizing authority may impose limitations on where and when drones may fly.
- 19.3 At any time the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone and images made inside the race area shall be shared with the organizing authority, race committee or jury at reasonable request.

20 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with adequate cover of minimum 1.500.000 EUR taking into account the value of the boats racing and the measure of damages likely to arise in the event of an accident..



21 Prizes

- 21.1 The ORC Double Handed WORLD Champion 2025 title will be awarded to the best boat in each class.
- 21.2 Prizes will be awarded to top three boats in each class.
- 21.3 Additional prizes will be awarded to top boats in each division: Male, Female and Mix in each class.
- 21.4 Organizer may award additional prizes with its criteria may be published in the NoR Appendix.

22 Further information

For further information, please contact: segreteria@ycmonfalcone.com