Greetings from the Mayor of Limassol - IOANNIDEIA 2018

Dear sailors,

On behalf of the city of Limassol I welcome you to Cyprus. It is indeed a great honour for our city to host such a great event as the ORC European Championship 2018.

Our Municipality is always ready to support important sporting events, since we believe that such events are in accordance with our city being a center of international cultural and athletic events.

Limassol has had a long history as a city by the sea. The people of Limassol resemble the sea which embraces our city. Like the sea, they are energetic, open and in constant movement.

I am sure that you will find our city and the waters of the Eastern Mediterranean sea, a warm and hospitable place for activities.

Nicos Nicolaides
Mayor

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Dear Sailors, Sponsors, Organizers and Friends,

The Management Committee and staff of the Offshore Racing Congress are pleased to support the efforts of the Famagusta Nautical Club on this occasion of the 2018 ORC European Championship. We are pleased with their efforts to host this prestigious annual event for the first time in the Eastern Mediterranean, a place of great beauty, culture and pleasant sailing.

This region has a deep history of sailing and life on the water, so we hope that this event helps bring more sailors in the region to enjoying the fun and spirit of camaraderie that we all share in this sport.

At ORC we strive to provide the World’s most scientific and transparent system of fair racing among boats of different types so that it is the skills of the sailors that get recognized in the race results.

We look forward to celebrating their achievements and crowning new ORC European Champions in Limassol for the 2018 season.

With best regards for enjoyable and fair sailing,

Bruno Finzi

Chairman, Offshore Racing Congress
Welcome by
President of
Famagusta Nautical Club

Dear Sailors,

It is an honor for the Famagusta Nautical Club to host the ORC European Championship 2018. I invite you to join us in the great City of Limassol, the brand new Limassol Marina and sail on to the waters of the Eastern Mediterranean.

From this sailing paradise region, I would like to welcome you to this great event in Limassol. 11,000 years ago, seafaring people from the Near East landed their boats on the island of Cyprus, birth place of the Ancient Greek goddess of love, Aphrodite. The easternmost isle in the Mediterranean, Cyprus has long been a place where influences from East and West meet. The same strategic location that made Cyprus a crucial starting point for Alexander’s expanding empire makes the island a desirable centre today.

Welcome and Enjoy the ride of the 2018 ORC European Championship, in Limassol Cyprus. “On a day when the wind is perfect, the sail just needs to open and the world is full of beauty”.

Stelios Charalambous
President of
Famagusta Nautical Club
Host of the 2018 ORC European Championship
1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The ORC European Championship 2018 is organized by the Famagusta Nautical Club, the Ioannideia Organizers, in conjunction with the City of Limassol under the authority of the Cyprus Sailing Federation and under the overall authority of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC).

2. RULES

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. The following rules will also apply:
- IMS rule
- The ORC Rating System Rule
- World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations - Category 3
- No national authority prescription will apply

2.2 Under RRS 87, ORC Rule 206 is changed as follows:
   a. All sails shall have been measured and stamped by an ORC measurer. During the pre-race equipment inspection, sails will be marked for the event by stamp, sticker and/or inspector’s signature.
   b. The maximum number of sails shall be as defined in ORC Rule 206 with one additional main sail allowed. The second main sail shall have a minimum of one set of reef points. The main sails may be interchangeable.
   c. With the exception of the second main sail, all sails shall be aboard while racing.
   d. Sails damaged during the series may be repaired. Sails beyond repair may be replaced with the permission of the Technical Committee.

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

3. ADVERTISING

3.1 WS Advertising Code will apply. Competitors & Boats advertising will be without restriction.

3.2 Event Advertising by the Organizing Authority will be:
   a. Bow numbers with advertisements which have to be displayed, as forward as possible on both sides of the 20% of the hull.
   b. Advertisements which have to be displayed, on both sides of the foremost 20% of the mainsail boom.
c. An Organizer’s flag has to be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.

3.3 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.

4. ELIGIBILITY & CLASSES

4.1 Competitors shall comply with WS Eligibility Code.

4.2 The regatta is open to all boats with a valid ORC International Certificate with 8.0 < CDL <= 17.0.

4.3 Classes are defined by the CDL* and the minimum and maximum number of entries, as follows:

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<th>Class</th>
<th>CDL Range</th>
<th>Min. Entries</th>
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<td>Class A</td>
<td>17.0 &gt;= CDL &lt;= 11.5</td>
<td>Min. 10 Entries</td>
<td>Max 50 Entries (30 from a country)</td>
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<td>Class B</td>
<td>11.5 &gt;= CDL &lt;= 9.65</td>
<td>Min. 20 Entries</td>
<td>Max 50 Entries (30 from a country)</td>
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<td>Class C</td>
<td>9.65 &gt;= CDL &lt;= 8.00</td>
<td>Min. 20 Entries</td>
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* Note: CDL values are based on 2017 VPP and may be amended when 2018 VPP become available

**Eligibility requirements apply only to boats entered in Class A, B or C. The 2018 ORC European Championship schedule of events and festivities will also include, Class D, for Ioannideia 2018 ORC Challenge Trophy Mare Nostrum for boats with ORC Club Certificates. Class D will not compete for the European title. It will have its own race area, will not interfere with the racing of the ORC European Championship, but will be part of all the festivities and social aspects of the ORC Europeans. Further details for registration requirements will be provided in a separate Notice of Race for this event.

To assign a European 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 can be grouped with the closest class. In this case, only one Championship title will be assigned to the combined classes.

The person who is the owner or charterer or borrower of an entered boat shall be a National of the country they are 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. Classes will have separate starts and separate results.

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4.4 Eligible boats may pre-register until 8th of August 2018 by completing the
on-line registration form at www.orceuropean2018.com and sending the
copy of the ORC International Certificate to:
adminorceuropean2018@fnc2018.com

4.5 A boat is considered pre-registered if the following documents are
received:
Completed and signed entry form
Latest valid ORC International Certificate
Entry fee payment confirmation
The list of pre-registered boats will be updated on the event’s website
upon receipt of each new entry.

4.6 If less than 50 boats in total and less than 30 boats from one country are
pre-registered in a class before 8th of August 2018 all pre-registered boats
will be accepted as final entries and additional entries will be allowed until
the maximum number of entries as defined in NoR 4.3 is reached, but not
later than 28th of August 2018.

4.7 If more than 50 boats in total or more than 30 boats from one country
are pre-registered in a class before 8th of August 2018 final entries
will be accepted by the organizer's discretion in agreement with the
ORC by considering:
a) International representation of the fleet
b) boat’s and skipper’s racing record, particularly in previous ORC
Championships
c) chronological order in which boats are pre-registered
The final list of accepted entries will be published on the event's
website at 8th of August 2018. Pre-registered boats whose entry is not
accepted will be listed on the “waiting list” and can replace any of the
accepted boats that cancel their participation before the start of the
championship.

The entry fee received from any boat whose entry is not accepted will be re-

5. ENTRIES & FEES

The entry fee is defined as follows (currency, EUR):

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Please send payments to be credited to:
Famagusta Nautical Club
Identify the name of the Boat & Team (Ioannideia 2018 ORC European
Championship Entry Fee) on your deposit or wire transfer.
It shall be paid to net of any bank charges
6 CORINTHIAN DIVISION & TROPHY

For the Corinthian Division and Trophy the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 shall apply and all crew shall hold a valid Group 1 classification. Unclassified sailors will be deemed to be Group 3. A boat entered in the Corinthian Division shall also be entered automatically in the Open Division and shall be eligible for prizes and trophies in both divisions. Details of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the World Sailing website: www.sailing.org/cfassification.

The closing date for the receipt of valid Corinthian entries shall be 28th of August 2018. Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the classification and World Sailing Sailor ID for each crew. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta. Late entries and incomplete entries cannot be considered for this division.

Should a boat whose Corinthian entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between the closing date of the entry and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member including a valid World Sailing Sailor ID must be submitted to the Organizing Authority for their approval (and for the approval of the International Jury). All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board or website as soon as possible after the Registration deadline.

Note: A representative of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks. Competitors shall attend interviews with the Commissioner when requested to do so. Competitors are reminded that the Commission has the power to change a classification at the event with no prior notice. Any changes are effective immediately.

7. REGISTRATION

7.1 Each Owner or Skipper must personally register in the Race Office located in Limassol Marina from 09:00am September 8th 2018 until 19:00 on September 9th 2018.
7.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration:
   b. Valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 EUR
   c. If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority permission
   d. Crew list with name, surname, World Sailing Sailor ID and weight for each crew member
   e. Contact phone number both on boat and land, including the name of the contact person
   f. Liability acceptance form, duly filled out and signed.

This changes RRS 78.2.

7.3 No changes shall be made on ORC International Certificates after August 31st 2018 unless prescribed and approved by the Technical Committee before or during the pre-race equipment inspection and before the start of the first race.

7.4 Crew lists may be amended up to 19:00 on September 9th 2018 by filling a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the International Jury that may delegate this responsibility to the race committee.

7.5 The time limit for a protest by a boat regarding the World Sailing’s Sailors Classification Code is 20:00 on September 10th 2018.

This changes RRS 61.3.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Saturday September 8th 2018: Registration & Measurement
   Sunday September 9th 2018: Registration, Measurement, Practice Race, Opening Ceremony
   Monday September 10th 2018: Offshore race
   Tuesday September 11th 2018: Inshore races
   Wednesday September 12th 2018: Inshore races
   Thursday September 13th 2018: Inshore races
   Friday September 14th 2018: Inshore race
   Saturday September 15th 2018: Reserve Day, Closing Ceremony

Offshore race will be approximately of 10 - 12 hours duration for the slowest boat. Inshore races will be on windward/leeward course of approximately 1 to 1.5 hours duration.

8.2 Eight races are scheduled including one offshore race and seven inshore races. Inshore races will be windward/leeward races, except where unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course, then the Race Committee in agreement with the ORC representative may give permission to sail a substitute course.
8.3 The championship is valid if at least 3 inshore races and offshore race are completed. One discard will be allowed, if 5 races are completed.

8.4 This schedule is preliminary and can be amended by the OA in the SI or in accordance with weather conditions or development of the races during the Championship

9. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall be available for the measurement inspection from 09:00 am September 8th 2018 until 19:00 on September 14th 2018. Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the scoring.

10. SCORING

10.1 Windward/leeward race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Performance Curve Scoring method.

10.2 Offshore race results will be determined by corrected times calculated by the Ocean for PCS scoring method.

11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities.

12. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b) and Appendix N. Decisions of the International Jury will be final according to the RRS 70.5.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

All support boats shall be registered at the race office. Identification numbers will be provided by the organizers. These numbers must be visible at all times.

14. NAUTICAL CHARTS

The following nautical charts of the Hydrographic Office of the Cyprus Marine Police are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: INT 1288.

15. BERTHING

Participating boats will have moorings free of charge in the regatta marina for the period 07 - 15 of September 2018. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the marina.
16. **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

From 9:00 am hrs of the first scheduled day of registration 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 International Jury. While hauled for this purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull, below the waterline will not be permitted. Rudders shall not be removed from the water during the series nor the centre boards removed from their cases.

17. **MEDIA RIGHTS**

Competitors, owners and their guests grant absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority 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.

18. **COMMUNICATION**

Except in emergency or when communicating with the Race Committee, a boat that is racing, shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

19. **TROPHIES & PRIZES**

19.1 **Championship trophies** will be awarded to the first three boats in each class.

19.2 **The best three boats in Corinthian Division** will be awarded in each class.

19.3 **Other prizes and trophies** will be awarded at the discretion of the organizers. All medals and prizes will be awarded at the Prize Giving Ceremony and all participants are expected to participate in that ceremony.

20. **DISCLAIMER of LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk; see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Famagusta Nautical Club, Ioannideia Organizers, Cyprus Sailing Federation, ORC and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 EUR per event. Regardless, it is the responsibility of the owners to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third Party Insurance (Property and Persons).

For further information please contact the
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Mr. Stelios Charalambous
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by telephone: +357 99 379968.