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NOTICE OF RACE 2026-CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Los Alcázares
Mar Menor- Spain
From 28th May to 5TH June.

The Organizing Authority is: the Federación de Vela Región de Murcia in conjunction with the International A-Division Catamaran Association and the Spanish A-Class Catamaran under the Authority of the Real Federación Española de Vela (RFEV) together with WORLD SAILING

Website: <https://fvrn.sailti.com/es/default/races/race/text/campeonato-europa-clase-a-es>

This Notice of Race (NOR) is dated January 2026

NP	Denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
SP	Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing. (This changes RRS A5)



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1. RULES

- This regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- The International A-Class Catamaran Class Rules and World and Continental Championship Rules shall apply to the European Championships.
- No national prescriptions will apply.
- RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.
- RRS 40.1 will apply at all time while afloat.
- Wearing a safety helmet is mandatory for the Open discipline. It is strongly recommended for the Classic Discipline
- RRS 90.3(e) will apply.
- [NP][DP] All sailors and personal support shall follow any reasonable instruction given by a race official.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the online official noticeboard no later than at 18:00 the day before the first registration day.

3. COMMUNICATION

The official notice board will be at:

<https://fvrn.sailti.com/es/default/races/race/text/campeonato-europa-clase-a-es>

[NP] [DP] Except in an emergency, 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.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

In accordance with RRS76.1, the organizers will reject or cancel the entry of any competitor of Russian or Belarusian nationality or displaying these nationalities and the participation of any boats whose owner or manager is a Russian or Belarusian individual or entity. The organizing authority may amend this rule following any further World Sailing decisions on the situation with Russia & Belarus.

Boats may compete in either the Open or the Classic discipline.



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All Spanish sailors, sailors officially living in Spain or representing a Spanish Club shall be holder of the 2026 RFEV Sailing License.

All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International A Class Catamaran Association, either through their respective country association membership or individual membership.

Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code.

Entries shall be received by the Organizing Authority no later than April 28th, 2026. Requests to register after the online registration is closed are subject to approval by the Organizing Authority.

A Parent/Guardian Consent and Supervision Form must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian of any competitor under the age of 18. It must be filled, signed, and uploaded by the registration. Minor competitors not fulfilling this requirement may be rejected at the registration.

Requests for refunds will be accepted prior to May 2th, 2026, with a 60,00 Euro processing fee.

5. FEES

. FEES (and Registration)

European Championship entry fees:

- Normal entry fee: Euro 300,00 valid until April 7th, 2026
- Late entry fee: Euro 450,00 valid until April 28th, 2026
- The deadline for all entries is April 28th, 2026

To be considered registered for the event, a boat must satisfy everything required for registration and pay the registration fee by:

<https://fvm.sailti.com/es/default/races/race/text/campeonato-europa-clase-a-es>

On site, you must hand to the Organization a paper copy of the following documents:

- Registration Form filled and signed.
- TPL insurance with minimum coverage (€ 1.500.000) as RFEV Regulations for National Sports Activities Organized in Spain 2026 (Only for Spanish Competitors the insurance policy can be replaced by the RFEV Sailing License valid for the current year) as required by international A-Class rules 15.1.
- Measurement certificates.
- Parent Guardian Consent form, in the case of a minor athlete (Attachment C);
- Support people's accreditation form. (Attachment D)



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6. ADVERTISING [DP]

Competitor advertising shall comply with World Sailing Advertising Code.

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

7. EVENT SCHEDULE AND RACES

25-27 /05/2026	ALL DAY	Arrival.
28-29 /05/2026	09:00-18:00	Arrival, training with marks, registration.
30/05/2026	09:00-17:00	Registration, training with marks
	10:30-11:00	Support boat briefing
	18:00	Skipper Meeting
	19:00	Opening ceremony
31/05/2026	9:00-18:00	Registration, boat rigging
	13:00	Practice races
01/06/2026	13:00	Racing
02/06/2026	TBD	Racing
02/06/2026	20:00	Dinner
03/06/2026	TBD	Racing
04/06/2026	TBD	Racing
	20:30	Social Dinner
05/06/2026	TBD	Racing
	AFTER RACE	Closing ceremony and price giving
06/06/2026	ALL DAY	Tear down and departure



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A total of 12 races are scheduled for Open and Classic discipline.

3 races for each discipline may be sailed per day.

On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Equipment inspection will be conducted in accordance with the A-Class Catamaran Equipment Inspection Regulations. Sails, boats, and equipment must be measured before arriving at the Championship.

All competitors at registration must produce valid and current measurement certificates for the hull, mast, and sail as A-CAT international class rules A.11

[NP][DP] All boats must be kept at the regatta site commencing at the time of registration and continuing until the end of the event. Removal of any boat from the regatta site during the event shall require prior written permission from the equipment inspector.

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules, Equipment Inspection Regulations and Sailing Instructions. On the water a boat may be instructed by the equipment inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Championship Technical Committee appointed to the event by the organizing authority under RRS89.2(c).

The Equipment Inspection Regulations for the Championship will be published on the event website no later than April 1st, 2026.

9. FORMAT OF RACING

The event consists of a single qualifying series, however if there are more than 100 boats in a discipline, fleet splitting will be used, refer to Championship Rules, appendix 2. If the event consists of split fleets, fleets will be in groups of approximately equal numbers of boats (± 1 boat).

10. VENUE

Federación de Vela Region de Murcia, Car Región de Murcia, NOR Attachment INFORMATIONS ED UTILITIES.

The Boat Storage will be located at the venue of Car Region de Murcia, NOR attachment A.

11. RACING AREAS



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NOR Attachment B "Areas" shows the racing areas of the Regatta

12. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be Windward/Leeward courses as detailed in the Sailing Instructions, in accordance with IACA Championship Rules.

The distance from start to Mark1 will be at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.

Each discipline, Open and Classic, will race on separate course areas.

An Early Finish Concept (for Open) and a course adaptation with Gate at the Top (for Classic and Open) will be applied, considering the decision at the IACA WGM on the 10th of November 2025.

13. PENALTYSYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty.

14. SCORING

The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute the European Championship for each Discipline.

When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores. When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

15. SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with all local safety regulations and the Event Support Boat Regulations. Support boats must show their country code as per Championship Rule

Team support boats shall complete on-site registration at the venue and pay 100,00 € for the registration. By registration, team support boats will receive the OA Flag and ID flag number. If called upon, support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.



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[DP] [NP] When afloat, all persons on board of a support vessel shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) and, as soon as their engine is running, drivers shall relate to a kill-cord to their engine contact.

16. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed for the European Championship in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its' decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

17. PRIZES

Prizes for the European Championship will be awarded for the first 5 places overall in both the Open and Classic Discipline fleets.

The title of 2026 European Champion will be awarded to the first European in each discipline.

The following prizes will also be awarded in each Discipline:

- a. Junior Champion (under 25 years)
- b. Woman Champion
- c. Master Champion (ages 45 – 50)
- d. Grand Master Champion (ages 51 – 55)
- e. Great Grand Master Champion (56 years and over)
- f. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

Age determinations are based as of 12:01am, May Sun. 31th, 2026 of practice races

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

[DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

Communications to the competitors will be done by electronic means (e-mails– electronic notice board). Competitors shall provide themselves with a device (smartphone, notepad, computer) to obtain and read these communications. The e-mail address inserted during the entry process shall be valid and active during the whole duration of the championship. Any difficulty in receiving communications will not be eligible for redress. This changes RRS62.1 (a). No printed documents will be supplied.

19. INSURANCE



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Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum of at least 1,5 Mil. Euro (or equivalent) per incident.

20. DATA PROTECTION

The European Regulation will be applied.

All participants acknowledge that there may be film or photos footage about regatta, sailing in and out of the harbor, programs on water and ashore that may include scenes with the participants being visible.

The organizers shall not be limited in any way to use, publish, copy, sell or give to third parties these films and photos – as far as they do not infringe personal rights.

By registering for the regatta, entrants and participants do explicitly renounce any related demands, damage or compensation claims.

All participants acknowledge that the organizer is using their personal data according to the terms of the European regulations, known as GDPR. Detailed regulations will be displayed on the event website.

21. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, 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.

By signing an entry form, each competitor agrees and acknowledges the following:

- a) They are participating in this regatta at their own risk
- b) That the Organizing Authority, all sponsors, all race committee members, and volunteers, all officers, and directors of Federación de Vela Región de Murcia, the IACA, and the Spanish A-Cat association are not responsible for any damages, injuries or death which may result in conjunction with this regatta, onshore or afloat
- c) That they will put safety of themselves and other competitors above race results.
- d) That they will accept responsibility for any injury, damage, or loss to the extent it is caused by their own actions or omissions; and,
- e) Ensure their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in this regatta, and that they are physically fit to participate.



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22. MEDIA CONSENT

By signing an Entry Form, all competitors agree to and grant the Organizing Authority, the IACA, the Spanish A-Cat Association, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to photograph and/or videotape participation in the regatta, or at the regatta facilities, and to the use of their name, likeness, and images, without compensation and without the competitor's prior approval.

23. INFORMATIONS ED UTILITIES

- Accommodation in hotels
- Transfers
- Excursions for families
- Car rentals
- Trailers and multi-boattrailers
- Containers
- Rental boats

All info: <https://fvrn.sailti.com/es/default/races/race/text/campeonato-europa-clase-a-es>

Office Informations:

Maria Soto Ros

Escuelas de la FVRM
Tlf. Contacto: 655 760 638



24. FURTHER INFORMATION

For any other information please contact:
Email: escuelas@fvrn.es

The Organizing Authority



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Attachment A BOAT STORAGE



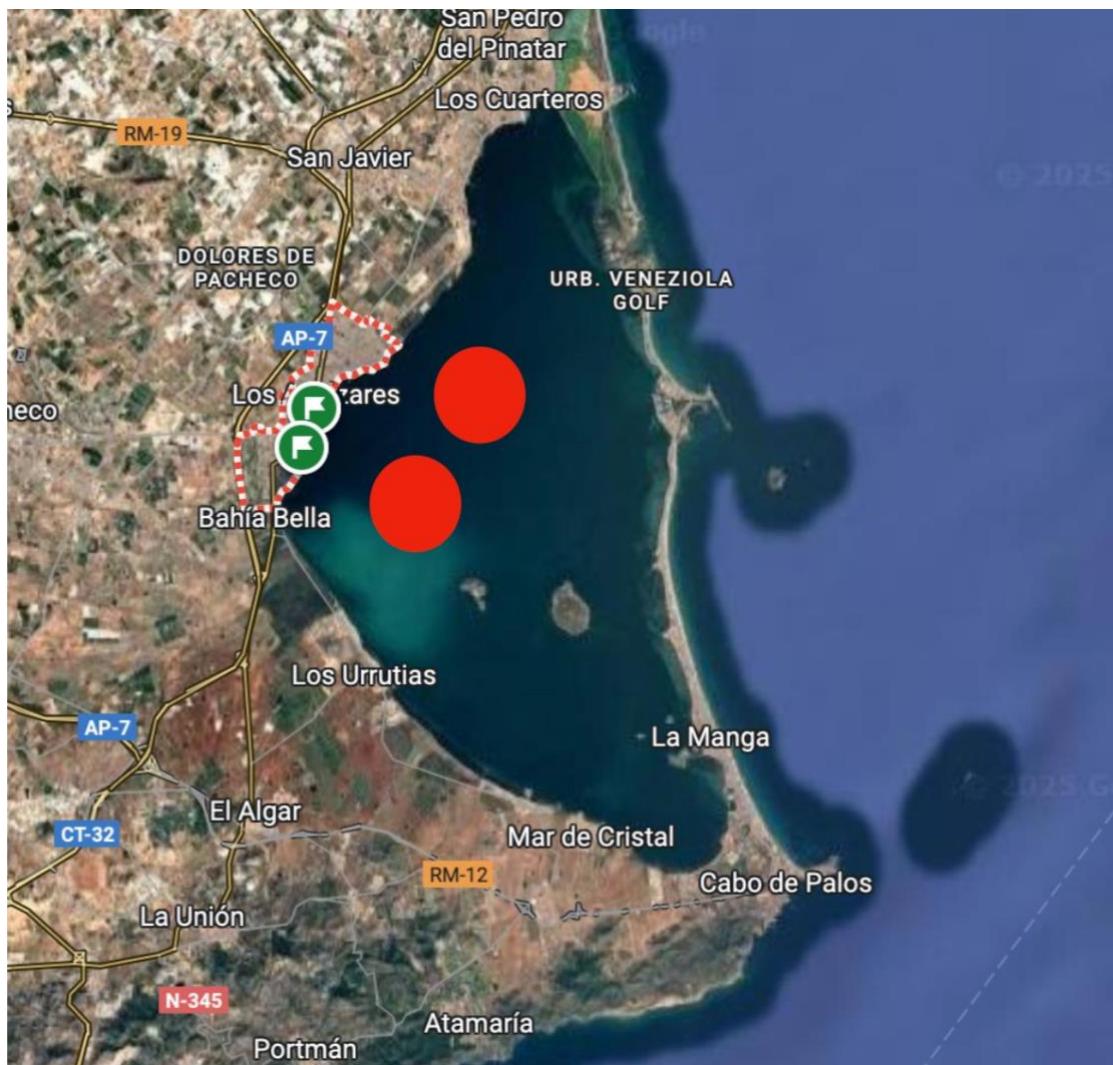
1	ENTRANCE / RECEPTION	
2	BOAT ENTRANCE	
3	RACE OFFICE / O.N.B	
4	BOAT AREA	
5	WATER POINTS	
6	RAMP	
7	MEASUREMENT	
8	LEISURE AREA	



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Attachment B RACING AREA





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Attachment C

Parent / Guardian consent form

Sailor name: _____ Sail number: _____

Date of birth: _____ Legal guardian: _____

Emergency phone: _____

IF YOU DO NOT RETURN THIS SIGNED FORM, YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE CANCELED AS PER RACE NOTICE.

Upon arrival at the club the Responsible Adult will be required to sign to acknowledge their acceptance of responsibility for the minor. Agreement I, the Parent/Guardian have legal custody of the minor. I hereby authorize the Responsible Adult to act as my nominated person at the championship. I agree that this authorization shall remain in effect for the duration of the minor's participation in the championship and related activities and shall not be revoked before the end of the championship. Non-Liability of the club and the class I agree that in no event will the club or the class, their parent companies, affiliates, or the partners, owners, directors, officers, employees, agents and committee people have any liability whatsoever arising from or in connection with any action or non-action of the Responsible Adult. I, the Parent/Guardian, understand and agree to the terms of entry as detailed in the Notice of Race and confirm that the Responsible Adult will accompany the minor for the duration of the championship. By signing I certify that I have carefully read, understand and agree to the above agreement and non-liability statement.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

Please ensure that all sections are complete and you have signed the format its bottom.



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Attachment D

Support person / Coach accreditation form

The undersigned born on _____ in _____ mobile _____
email _____

As coach/companion of the company requests to be accredited for the 2026 A-Class European Championship with the rubber (make and model) _____

of meters _____ motor _____

Accompanied competitors:

SURNAME NAME _____

SAIL NUMBER _____

CLASS _____

The undersigned REQUESTS to be able to go out to sea with the means indicated above during the event; EXPRESSLY DECLARES to accept all the rules indicated in the World Sailing RRS. In force, in the Notice, in the Instructions and in the other rules and Regulations governing the event; EXPRESSLY DECLARES that he agrees to make himself available to the Race Committee for any need expressed by them and undertakes to promptly respect any indication of the R.O. on his positioning and to ensure assistance to all boats in the race; YOU also UNDERTAKE to display the identifying signs as they will be delivered and/or indicated by the Organizing Committee at the time of launch; DECLARES to be informed, pursuant to and for the purposes of art. 13 of Legislative Decree no. 2016/679, that the personal data collected will be processed exclusively within the scope of the procedure for which this form is filled out.

Los Alcázares,Signature.....

This declaration must be sent to the event secretariat using the email escuelas@fvrn.es at the same time as the athletes register. The email must indicate in the subject: "2026 A-Class European Championship coach's accreditation - name and surname" (RESERVED TO RACE OFFICE)



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