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2023 6mR SPANISH LEAGUE CIRCUIT - VOLVO AUTESA CUP

Regatta – 18th, 19th March
Regatta – 22nd, 23rd April
Regatta – 20th, 21st May
Regatta – 9th, 10th & 11th June
Regatta – 7th, 8th & 9th July
Regatta – 28th September to 1st October
Regatta – 21st, 22nd October
Regatta – 25th, 26th November

NOTICE OF RACE

The **2023 Six Metre Spanish League Circuit** will be held in the waters of the Pontevedra estuary from March to November 2023, with a total of eight (8) events as per above. It is organized by the Real Club Náutico de Sanxenxo (RCNS) and the 6mR Spanish Owners Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by,
- a) the rules as defined in the latest Racing Rules of World Sailing 2021 2024 (RRS). https://www.rfev.es/uploaded_files/RRV%202021-2024-ESP-web_20211220.pdf_11072_es.pdf
- b) [DP] The International Six Metre Class Rating Rules.

 https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/11171428/6M-CR -2023-01Jan-11.pdf

 https://d7qh6ksdplczd.cloudfront.net/sailing/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/11164439/6M CRC -2023-01Jan-11.pdf
- c) The current RTC (Cruising Technical Regulations) of the RFEV: https://www.rfev.es/uploaded_files/Document_5206_20221213110049_es.pdf
- d) [DP] The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) that will be part of the Sailing Instructions. See https://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/EquipmentRulesofSailing20212024-[26661].pdf
- e) RRS A5.3 will apply
- f) In all rules governing this regatta, the notation [NP] means that a breach of that rule will not be ground for protests by a boat. (This changes RRS 60.1a).
- g) [NP][DP] Each boat must have on board a smartphone that must have the app for live tracking of the regatta installed and in operation during the races.
- 1.2 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 [NP] [DP] All competitors and staff will follow any reasonable regulations given by a member of the Organizing Authority or Race Officer.
- 1.4 The official language of the regatta is Spanish. If there is a conflict between languages, the Spanish text will take precedence.

2. [NP] [DP] ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Competitors can display advertising in accordance with Regulation 20 of the WORLD SAILING.
- 2.2 Boats will be required to display advertising supplied by the organizing authority (AO) in compliance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4.1. If the Rule has been broken, the regulation World Sailing (WS) 20.9.2 applies.

3. [NP] ELIGIBILITY











- 3.1 The competitors shall comply with WORLD SAILING eligibility code, Rule 19, and the prescriptions of the RFEV to this rule.
- 3.2 This is an open and not limited regatta. All the competitors with Spanish nationality, legal residents in Spain or sailing in boats representing a Spanish club must be in possession of the Sailing Federation License for 2022.
- 3.3 Foreign sailors will have to prove they are covered by a liability third-party insurance with a minimum coverage for regattas of 300,000 €, besides an accident and illness insurance valid in Spain.
- 3.4 All competing yachts shall have paid their 2022 membership dues to ISMA and hold a valid and updated measurement certificate.
- 3.5 A crew will be composed of a maximum of five crewmembers. A guest may join the crew, who may not participate in the manoeuvres during the regatta. In addition, exceptionally, a minor sailor, duly registered, may join the crew. Both the guest and the minor sailor must be duly registered and in possession of a federative license.

4. CLASSES

- 4.1 This regatta is open to all boats of the International Six Metre Class.
- 4.2 Boats may be registered in either the Open or Classic division, as specified by the class rules.

5. ENTRIES

5.1 The registration will be done by each boat OBLIGATORIALLY on-line in the Escora platform/programme, in the following link: https://escora.rfgvela.es/entries/v-circuito-liga-espanola-6-metros-(serie-1%C2%BA)-marzo

The entry fee in a single regatta is 300 € (200 € for RCNS' members).

Payment may be processed by Bank transfer, all charges shall be paid by the remitter:

Bank: ABANCA

International Bank Account Number (IBAN): ES45 2080 0532 6030 4000 3750

Bank Identifier Code (BIC): CAGLESMMXXX

Beneficiary: Real Club Náutico de Sanxenxo

Payment remark: V Liga Espana 6m – Sail Number – Boat's Name – Skipper's name & SURNAME

5.2 The online registration at ESCORA platform has to be made for each of the 8 events that make up the Spanish League Circuit at least 48 hours before the start of the first race of each event.

The link to access the registration online will be different for each event and it will be made public well in advance at the official websites of the Circuit (www.rcnsanxenxo.com)"

5.3 All the documents required (see point number 6 of this NOR) must also be attached to the Escora platform/programme when registering at least 48 hours prior the start of the corresponding regatta. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to admit entries after the deadline.

6. REGISTRATION

6.1 The following documents must be attached to the Escora platform/programme:











- a) Copy of valid Sailing Federation license of all the crewmembers. Foreign competitors who are not obliged to have a national sailing federation license shall present evidence of having an accidents and insurance valid in Spain that covers his/her participation in the Regatta.
- b) Copy of valid and updated measurement certificate
- c) Copy of proof of payment of the entry fee
- d) Proof of being up to date with the class membership duties (ISMA)
- e) Copy of the boat's insurance

7. PROGRAMME

7.1 As a general rule, the program for each regatta will be as follows (although in each event it may be changed according to the circumstances that exist and are convenient, which will be notified in advance and will be included in the Sailing Instructions):

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday (Only for 3-day races)	10:00 - 12:00 11:30 15:00	Race Office opens Registration Skippers Briefing Warning Signal
Saturday	13:00	Warning signal
Sunday	12:30 15:30	Warning signal Time limit

- 7.2 Four races are scheduled in each two-day regatta, and six races in the three-day regattas. Two races per day are scheduled, with the exception that an additional race may be sailed on condition that the racing programme of the event will not become more than one race ahead of schedule.
 - 7.3 The last day of the regatta no warning signal will be displayed after 15h30.
- 7.4. Due to exceptional reasons and depending on the weather conditions, the Race Committee will be able to move the warning signal of the first race forward on Saturday and Sunday (in principle to 10h00), warning the participants not later than 20h00 on the previous day.

8. COMPETITION FORMAT

8.1 There will be separate starts for both divisions (Open and Classics).

9. SCORING & RANKINGS

9.1 For each event of the circuit in particular, no results shall be excluded, except in three-day races when 6 races have been completed each boat's total score shall be the sum of all her points with her worst score discarded.











- 9.2 For the General Scoring of the 2023 6mR Spanish League Circuit, each boat will discard her worst score every six (6) races held.
 - 9.3 There will be two separate rankings: one for Classics and another one for Open.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS. RACE COURSES

- 10.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at the two official websites (www.rcnsanxenxo.com and www.desmarque.es) at least three days before the start of each regatta.
- 10.2 The course will be 2 windward legs and 2 leeward legs of approximately 1.3 and 2 nautical miles each, with a finish at the leeward mark as it will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

11. [DP] MEASUREMENT. FLOTATION DEVICES. VHF RADIO

- 11.1 Boats will comply with the measurement rules of the Six Metre Class, being subject to inspection at all times by the Technical Committee or the Race Committee.
 - 11.2 Boats must carry personal flotation devices on board for each crewmember.
 - 11.3 The marine VHF international channel will be VHF channel number 69.

12. PRIZES

12. 1 Trophies will be published on the Official Notice Board before the start of the first race of each event.

13. [NP] [DP] "ESTELA", LIVE TRACKING

13.1 Participants MUST BE connected to the regatta's live tracking system during the races through the application that they can download to their mobiles for free. Please, follow the instructions here: http://bit.ly/1Gft3BP

For any information about the application, please contact the Race Officer Jano Martín by phone at +34 608 823 036 or by sending an email to janomartin@desmarque.es

14. IMAGE RIGHTS

- 14.1 The image rights of the regatta are the exclusive property of Real Club Náutico de Sanxenxo.
- 14.2 Teams and Participants grant the sponsors and the event organizer the permission to use the names and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcasted in any media whatsoever (including to press and TV advertisements or internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in these respect teams and participants names and biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known.
- 14.3 Participants undertake not to do or allow any act of reproduction, public communication or distribution of images concerning the regattas without previous authorisation from Real Club Náutico de Sanxenxo.











- 14.4 Any advertising action outside the sponsor of the event, the yacht clubs and the Organizing Committee, carried out by the participants, their sponsors or by persons, entities and organizations directly or indirectly linked to them, carried out in the yacht club facilities or on the pontoons provided by the organizers must have prior written authorization from the Organizing Authority.
- 14.5 Failure to comply with this rule will mean the automatic exclusion from the competition of the boat that displays the advertising object of the action, without reimbursement of the entry fee paid.

15. [NP] [DP] SUPPORT BOATS

15.1 Support boats shall be clearly identified so that they are associated with the team they support. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

16. [NP] [DP] SECURITY - LOCAL MARINE REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Participants are reminded of the obligation to comply with the legislation and regulations on maritime traffic that will prevail over the rules of a sporting nature.
- 16.2 The Royal Decree 62/2008 presents the Maritime Safety Conditions of navigation and of the human life out on the sea for all the nautical activities belonging to sports.
 - 16.3 All participants are advised that they may participate only if the boat's skipper has the license to do so.
- 16.4 Participants must declare in advance of the start of the regatta, the insurance the have including the risks covered and the limits of liability in accordance with the Notice of Race, being covered for participation in regattas.

17. RISK STATEMENT

- 17.1 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race, that states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 17.1.1 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- 17.1.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 17.1.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 17.1.4 The provision of a race management team, patrol vessels, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 17.1.5 The provision of patrol vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 17.1.6 It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk and responsibility.











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