

Odyssail *Regatta*

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Nautical Club of Gazi
Offshore Sailing Club of Rethymno

in co-operation with
(alphabetically)

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Odysail Regatta

Notice of Race

for IMS, ORC Club, IRC & Classic and Vintage Yachts

1. THE EVENT

The event will be held in two stages (see Notice of Race §10):

Homeric Stage

It consists of different feeder race's to assemble all the boats in Crete. It will be held on the waters of the Mediterranean and Black Sea and finally on the Ionian and Aegean Sea.

Minoan Stage

It consists of several inshore and offshore races, while the boats are berthed in Crete. This stage will be held on the Cretan Sea.

2. RULES

2.1 The event will be governed by:

- The “Racing Rules of Sailing 2005- 2008” (RRS)
- The “International Measurement System Rule” (IMS) and “IMS Regulations” for IMS and ORC Club boats.
- The IRC Rule for the IRC boats
- The “Rules for the Rating and Racing of Vintage and Classic Yacht” (CIM-RR) of the Comité International de la Méditerranée (CIM) for the Classic and Vintage Yachts.
- The “ISAF Offshore Special Regulations 2005 –2006”. The Event is classified Category 3 with life raft compulsory [1]
- The Notice of Race (NOR).
- The Sailing Instructions (SI).

2.2 ODYSSAIL organizers reserve the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be posted on the ODYSSAIL official website: <http://www.odysail.info/> (Notice of Race 2006)

2.3 Sailing Instructions will be available to competitors at the Race Office prior to the start of each race.

Additional information of interest for competitors is provided in the following documents which can be downloaded from the Odysail's Official website.

2.4 Documents

- (a) Information for each leg of the Homeric Stage.
- (b) Ports Information
- (c) VHF Channels Communication Table

[1] Special regulation check-list may be downloaded from Odysail's website to help owners ensure that their boat complies with special regulations.

(d) Accommodation Information

(e) Social Events Program

- 2.5 The prescriptions of the Hellenic Offshore Committee /Hellenic Yachting Federation national authority will not apply.
- 2.6 The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) will replace RRS Part 2:
(a) from 18:00 to 04:00 UTC hrs (19:00 to 05:00 for “Homeric Stage” of A. West Mediterranean – Ionian Sea & B. Adriatic Sea, see §10.1 of the Notice of Race) between all competitors.
(b) at any time between participant boats when at least one of them is powered by the engine.
- 2.7 (a) A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
The above rule shall not be interpreted as to impeach the reception by any means about severe weather forecasts.
(b) Notwithstanding the above, there is no restriction on broadcasting from a boat to the media during racing provided RRS 41 is observed.
(c) A boat may without infringing RRS 41 (outside help) request and receive repetition of information broadcast by the Race Committee, or be told whether or not a broadcast has been made.
- 2.8 Communication to/from the Race Committee
(a) All boats shall be equipped with a 25 watts VHF transceiver.
(b) VHF channels 16 (156.8 MHz) and 72 (156.625 MHz) are mandatory.
(c) At the Minoan Stage, the Race Committee will use VHF channel 72. For all other legs, please refer to the attached relevant information.
- 2.9 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will prevail.
- 2.10 An International Jury will be appointed for the event. According to RRS 70.4 decisions of the International Jury will be final

3 POSITIONING SYSTEM AND REPORTS

- 3.1 Boats may be required to carry onboard positioning equipment (tracking) and other instruments provided by the organizing authority.
- 3.2 Boats shall to give position reports as required by the Race Committee.
- 3.3 In addition in legs marked with (*) in §10.1 of the Notice of Race, boats shall send position reports and to perform a daily radio roll call between .
- 3.4 When during an offshore race such time has elapsed that a boat can at best achieve an average speed at the finish of less than 4 knots, she shall make every effort to inform the Race Office at the finish of her position and progress, and shall continue to do so at reasonable intervals until she reports finishing or retiring.
- 3.5 In the event of severe weather a boat shall endeavour to:
 - (i) report to the Race Office her whereabouts and status at reasonable intervals (if possible 12-hourly), and pass information on other boats if known;
 - (ii) keep continuous watch on and make initial calls on Channel 16 with inter-yacht communications when possible on Channel 72;
 - (iii) (boats with communications in addition to VHF) act as a link, taking other boats' reports on VHF and passing them to the shore;
 - (iv) display the portable sail number (when no numbered sails are set) by fixing it to the port quarter.

4 ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION

- 4.1 While racing, boats may be required to display bow numbers. The organizing authority will supply the numbers and instructions for their use.
- 4.2 While racing, each boat shall display its class flags (see Notice of Race §11.1) on its backstay (or at the astern if there is no backstay) at a distance of not less than 1,5 meter above deck.

5 CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 5.1 Boats may be required to carry cameras, cameramen and sound equipment as specified by the organizing authority.
- 5.2 Competitors shall be available for press or TV interviews as requested by the organizing authority.

6 ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising is permitted as per ISAF Advertising Code, Regulation 20 – Category C (RRS Appendix 1).
- 6.2 Advertising is subject to the following rules:
- 6.3 **Event Advertising** [2].
Boats may be required to display event sponsorship as follows:
 - a) advertising stickers on the forward part of the hull on each side;
 - b) at all times while racing, an event sponsor flag at their backstay or, when there is no such rig, as decided by the Race Committee; and
 - c) an event sponsor flag at their forestay while the boats are in harbor.
- 6.4 **Personal advertising** may be displayed in other places than those reserved for event advertising:
 - (a) The boats shall comply with the regulations of their respective National Authority (a copy of the permission shall be produced at registration).
 - (b) Tobacco and alcohol publicity is not allowed.

7 ELIGIBILITY

- 7.1 The event is open to all boats complying with IMS, ORC Club, IRC or Classic/Vintage rules, subject to the following requirements:
 - (a) a minimal overall length
 - (i) Greater or equal than 9.5 m when they are starting from the ports of A. West Mediterranean - Ionian Sea and B. Adriatic Sea (§10.1 of NOR) except Syracuse, Argostoli, Brindisi and Corfu.
 - (ii) Greater or equal than 8.50 m when they are starting from all the other ports including Syracuse, Argostoli, Brindisi and Corfu.
Notwithstanding the above, the Organizing Authority reserves the right to accept, at its discretion boats with overall length less than 8.50 m for the Minoan Stage.
 - (b) a valid boat registration document issued by the governmental authorities of the country of flag.
- 7.2 30% of the crew on board shall hold, when applicable, a valid membership card to his/her MNA. That card shall be presented to the Race Office at registration
- 7.3 Each boat can enter in only one Class.

[2] The Odyssail Event sponsor will be announced later

8 ENTRIES

- 8.1 Entries shall be lodged to the ODYSSAIL MAIN OFFICE on the enclosed Entry Form not later than 15th of June accompanied by
- a photocopy with a valid measured certificate
 - the entry fee payment certification, and
 - the advertising permission of their MNA, when applicable.
- 8.2 The entry fee is 100 Euro. Fees must be paid in euros. All payments should be done free of charges for Odysail. Entry fees will not be refundable.
The entry fees shall be paid before the entry deadline
(a) either by Bank transfer in favour of:
Cretan Nautical Club
C/O ALPHA BANK
Account: **775-002101-062938**
IBAN: **GR56 0140 7750 7750 0210 1062 938**
CRBAGRAAXXX
Description: (must be stated clearly as a note):
Yacht Name – Sail Number – Odysail Regatta Entry
(b) or by registering online at www.odysail.info with valid credit card. Accepted credit cards are VISA, MASTERCARD
The Organizing Authority may accept late entries with a 100% increase of the entry fee.
- 8.3 Any late entry fee payment will be with a 100% increase in the entry fee.
- 8.4 The person in charge of each boat must complete a registration form at the Race Office prior to start his first leg.

9 CREW LIST / REPLACEMENT of CREW

- 9.1 There is no restriction on the number of persons on board except otherwise stated by the relevant rating rule. However for safety reasons the minimum number of crewmembers shall be two.
- 9.2 A provisional crew list, giving names of all the crew shall be submitted with the race entry form.
- 9.3 The crew list shall include a person staying ashore as primary shore side contact. This person will be contacted by the Race Office during the race if necessary and should be available through 24 hours (a business number is usually not sufficient). In an emergency the primary shore side contact should act as the link with the Race Office on behalf of all the crew.
- 9.4 The final crew list shall be confirmed no later than 2 hours prior to the start of the first leg in which the boat participates.
- 9.5 Change of crew is permitted, but subject to prior notification in writing to the Race Office at least one (1) hour before the start of the concerned race.

10 PROGRAM

10.1 Homeric Stage – Proposed Free Sails

The following routes are suggested parts towards the Race Starting Points (§ 10.2).

Ports marked with an asterisk(*) are agreed Odysail ports (free docking & welcoming events for registered Boats)

LEG	STARTING POINT COUNTRY	COURSE	DISTANCE in N.M.	DATE
10.1.1 WESTERN MEDITERRANEAN				
1	PORTUGAL	Villamoura - Minorca/Mahou – Carloforte*	886 (690+196)	26/06/06
2	MOROCCO	Melilla – Carloforte*	587	29/06/06
3	SPAIN	Barcelona - Minorca/Mahou – Carloforte*	326 (130+196)	29/06/06
4	FRANCE	Sete* - Carloforte*	329	30/06/06
5	MONACO	Monte Carlo – Carloforte*	278	01/07/06
6	ITALY	Napoli – Siracusa*	245	11/07/06
7	ALGIERS	Zemmouribahar – Carloforte*	270	01/07/06
8	TUNIS	Tunis – Valetta* - Siracusa*	306 (226+80)	08/07/06
9	LIBYA	Tripoli – Valetta* - Siracusa*	273 (193+80)	09/07/06
10	MALTA	Valetta* - Siracusa*	80	14/07/06
10.1.2 ADRIATIC SEA				
1	ITALY	Santa Margherita - Sibenice – Brindisi*	393 (208+185)	06/07/06
2	CROATIA	Sibenice – Brindisi*	185	10/07/06
10.1.3 BLACK SEA				
1	UKRAINE	Odessa – Istanbul*	326	07/07/06
2	RUSSIA	Novorossysk – Istanbul*	438	06/07/06
3	GEORGIA	Batumi – Istanbul*	571	04/07/06
4	ROMANIA	Constantza* - Varna* – Istanbul*	232 (82+150)	03/07/06
5	BULGARIA	Varna* - Istanbul*	150	07/07/06
6	TURKEY	Istanbul*/Atakoy Marina – Lesvos*	200	15/07/06
10.1.4 EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN				
1	EGYPT	Alexandria - Rethymnon	477	23/07/06
2	ISRAEL	Haifa* - Larnaca* - Kastelorizon* - Kos*	508 (143+235+130)	18/07/06
3	CYPRUS	Larnaca* - Kastelorizon* - Kos*	365 (235+130)	21/07/06

10.2 Homeric Stage - Races

RACES				
LEG	COURSE	DISTANCE in N.M.	DATE	WARNING SIGNAL
1	Carloforte - Siracusa	393	07/07/06	12:55
2	Siracusa - Cephalonia/Argostoli	260	17/07/06	12:55
3	Brindisi - Corfu	100	14/07/06	10:55
4	Corfu - Cephalonia/Argostoli	100	17/07/06	10:55
5	Cephalonia/Argostoli - Kalamata	146	22/07/06	10:55
6	Kalamata - Rethymnon	160	27/07/06	10:55
7	Thessaloniki - Halkida	171	22/07/06	10:55
8	Halkida - Piraeus	91	25/07/06	10:55
9	Piraeus - Rethymnon	159	27/07/06	10:55
10	Istanbul/Atakoy Marina - Lesvos	200	15/07/06	10:55
11	Lesvos - Kos	154	20/07/06	10:55
12	Kos - Rethymnon	170	27/07/06	10:55

10.3 *Some of the above legs and/or stopover might be subject to change during the next weeks, depending on negotiations, which are still in progress.*

The times of the Warning Signal are subject to be reconfirm in due course, base on actual local condition

10.4 Minoan Stage

IMS WEEK

Day	Date	Schedule of Races	Warning Signal
SAT	29/07/2006	Registration/ Inspection	
SUN	30/07/2006	Registration/ Inspection Skipper Meeting	
MON	31/07/2006	Race 1st AND 2nd Windward/Leeward Races approx. 6nm each	12:55
TUE	01/08/2006	Race 3rd AND 4th Windward/Leeward Races approx. 6nm each	12:55
WED	02/08/2006	Spare Day	
THU	03/08/2006	Rest Day	
FRI	04/08/2004	Race 5th AND 6th Windward/Leeward Races approx. 6nm each	12:55
SAT	05/08/2004	Race 7th Windward/Leeward Races approx. 6nm each	12:55
SUN	06/08/2004	Prize giving Ceremny	TBA

10.5 ORC CLUB, IRC, CLASSIC & VINTAGE WEEK

Day	Date	Schedule of Races	Warning Signal
SAT	29/07/2006	Registration/ Inspection	
SUN	30/07/2006	Registration/ Inspection Skipper Meeting	
MON	31/07/2006	Race 1st Offshore Race Rethymnon Heraklion 36 n.m.	11:55
TUE	01/08/2006	Race 2nd Offshore Race Heraklion - Rethymnon 36 n.m.	11:55
WED	02/08/2006	Rest Day	
THU	03/08/2006	Rest Day	
FRI	04/08/2006	Race 3rd Offshore Race Rethymnon - Chania 31 n.m.	11:55
SAT	05/08/2006	Race 4th Offshore Race Chania - Rethymnon 31 n.m.	11:55
SUN	06/08/2006	Prize Giving Ceremony	TBA

10.6 Skippers' meetings will be held at each stage as stated in the Sailing Instructions.

11 SUBDIVISION OF CLASSES.

11.1 The Class Flags will be:

- IMS:** A blue flag and the Numerical Pennant of the group (see §11.2)
ORC Club: A yellow flag and the Numerical Pennant of the group (see §11.2)
IRC: A white flag
Classic Yachts: A pink flag
Vintage Yachts: A green flag

11.2 IMS and ORC Club Classes will be divided according to the GPH to the following groups:

<i>Group</i>	<i>GPH</i>	<i>Group Flag Numerical Pennant</i>
Maxi	(<510 secs/mile)	“1”
A	(510.1 – 595.0 secs/mile)	“2”
600	(595.1 – 615.0 secs/mile)	“3”
B	(615.1 – 630.0 secs/mile)	“4”
C	(630.1 – 665.0 secs/mile)	“5”
D	(665.1 – 695.0 secs/mile)	“6”
E	(695.1 – 730.0 secs/mile)	“7”
F	(>730.0 Only for the ORC Club entries)	“8”

11.3 IMS and ORC Club Cruiser/Racer boats will receive the credit from Dynamic Allowance percentage coefficient as shown in their Measurement Certificate (multiplied by 1.00).

11.4 Classic and Vintage yachts will be divided into groups according to CIM-RR article 17 at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.

11.5 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to merge those groups when entries for a leg or for a Stage are less than five boats.

11.6 The list of the subdivision of classes will be available at the Skipper’s Meeting at each leg or stage.

11.7 IRC boats will be divided into groups according to TCC.

12 TIME CORRECTION SYSTEM.

12.1 IMS class:

(a) The “Performance Curve Scoring” System will be used preferably. The Race Committee data concerning the course length, the speed and the direction of the wind will not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat.

(b) The Race Committee may at its discretion use the “Fixed Wind Speed” under certain wind conditions (for example very strong wind, or very different wind speed between legs), or use the “Performance Line Scoring” system in case of unstable weather conditions or when data collection is not available or can not be applied consistently to the fleet in particular legs.

12.2 ORC Club Class: The “Performance line Scoring” will be used.

12.3 Classic and Vintage Yachts: their corrected time will be calculated according to CIM-RR article 9.

12.4 IRC boats: their corrected time will be calculated as follows:
Corrected Time=TCC*Elapsed Time

13 PENALTIES

13.1 The 720° Turns Penalty, rule 44.2 will apply to RRS Part 2 or a right-of-way rule of IRCPAS infringements. When the right-of-way rules of IRPCAS apply to all boats, a penalty need not be taken until it is safe to do so. This adds to RRS 44.1.

13.2 Penalties for other infringements will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

14 MEASUREMENT CHECKS AND INSPECTIONS

14.1 Boats are subject to random measurement inspections without prior notice before or after each race.

14.2 Minoan Stage

- a) All boats shall be at the disposal of the Measurement Committee 30th July 2006 for measurement checks and inspections.
- b) Each boat shall submit to the Regatta Office in Rethymnon a signed inventory of the sails existing on board.
- c) Crew weight in IMS Class will be checked in Rethymnon in the Minoan Stage race.

15 SCORING

15.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

15.2 "For scoring purposes, all the legs of the HOMERIC Stage Races as shown in §10.2, will count.

15.3 Will be counted as different series, each one having their own classification. In each stage, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

15.4 a) The Odysail Event series score includes:

No	Race or Series	Scoring Coefficient
1.	"The legs of all the HOMERIC Stage Races, except the final legs from Kalamata, Piraeus and Kos to Rethymon"	0.5
2.	The score of the last Race of the "Homeric Stage" Kalamata - Rethymnon Piraeus - Rethymnon or Kos - Rethymnon	1.0
3.	Minoan Stage	2.0

15.5 b) The score that a boat obtained on the Last Race of the Homeric Stage (No 2. above) Race Score will be corrected as follows:

15.6 The score of each boat starting and finishing and not there after retiring or disqualified will be corrected as follow:

$$Hom_Score = 1.0 + (Race_Score - 1) * (M_Entries - 1) / (R_Entries - 1)$$

The score of a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired after finish or disqualified shall be:

$$Hom_Score = M_Entries + 1.0$$

M_Entries: will be the minimum Number of Entries to races (KALAMATA- Rethymnon, Piraeus – Rethymnon, Kos – Rethymnon)

R_Entries: will be the number of Entries in the Race that the boat is participated.

- 15.7 c) A boat's score for the Odys sail Event will be the sum of the scores obtained at each of the above races or series multiplied by its coefficient.
- 15.8 In order to have a valid category a minimum participation of 5 boats is necessary

16 TROPHIES AND PRIZES

16.1 Homeric Stage

- 16.1.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats scored in each group of each class.
- 16.1.2 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats overall in the IMS ORC Club, IRC and Vintage Classes
- 16.1.3 The first half of the participating boats of each category will receive one euro per nautical mile sailed from the Official entry port to Rethymnon (as described in 10.2)

16.2 Minoan Stage

- 16.2.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats overall in the IMS ORC Club, IRC and Vintage Classes during the Minoan stage of Odys sail
- 16.3 All crews will receive a gift as recognition for their participation.
- 16.4 Other prizes may be awarded as announced in the sailing instructions

17 INSURANCE

- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1.000.000 per event or the equivalent.
- 17.2 Odys sail can provide insurance upon request.

18 RIGHTS OF USE PICTURE/VIDEO

- 18.1 By participating in Odys sail Regatta a competitor automatically grants to the Organizing Authority and his Sponsor(s) the unrestricted right and permission to use the name 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 broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' name and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known.

19 BERTHING

- 19.1 Berthing in designated ports will be provided free of charge to entered boats.
- 19.2 Full information about harbor and other details are included in a separated document and are available on the Odys sail Web Site: www.odys sail.info (port info)
- 19.3 Berthing for accompanying boats is subject to availability of space at each harbour. Berthing fees may be charged. Please contact Odys sail offices for more information and booking. Odys sail organisers do not guarantee places to boats not registered.

20 **SOCIAL PROGRAMME (Dance of the Waters)**

- 20.1 In Rethymnon a festival named “**The Dance of the Waters**” will host cultural and entertaining events and a Mediterranean Cultural Village will be created from the 29th of July until the 7th of August
- 20.2 A Social program will take place in most intermediate stop towards Rethymnon– Crete. The local co-organizers with the local municipality or other authority will organize these events.
- 20.3 The full program will be available on the Odysail Web Site www.odysail.info (events)

21 **RETURN TRIP**

- 21.1 The Organizing Committee of the Odysail Regatta plans an organized trip for the boats returning home. This trip will pass from almost the same ports of the Regatta. The co-organizer club at each port will provide the same facilities for these boats returning home. Berthing will be also for free for the participating boats.
In principal, convoys are foreseen on specific dates after the conclusion of Odysail. Further details will be available in the future, once the information from the interested boats has been collected.
- 21.2 Please inform Odysail Main Office about your intentions by filling the questionnaire that is included at the Entry Form.
- 21.3 The Odysail Organizing Committee in cooperation with the Sailing Club of Patras and Special Olympics organize a trip for the Italian boats returning home. Information will be available on the website. Departure on the 15 of August 2006.

22 **ACCOMMODATION**

While in Greece, Odysail can assist entrants in finding accommodation and other tourist services. For inquiries please contact the Odysail Office.

23 **ODYSSAIL OFFICE**

Odysail is hosted at the premises of the Nautical Athletic Club of Gazi
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24 **LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the “ODYSSAIL” entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to RRS 4 “Decision to Race”. The organizing authority, race committees, jury and its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any personal or material loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

The Organizing Committee

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