



## 2022 L'ESCALA INTERNATIONAL WETA REGATTA

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**L'Escala International Weta Regatta** will be held from **2<sup>nd</sup> to 4th September 2022** in l'Escala (Costa Brava – Catalunya) according to the schedule described on the Notice of Race, organized by the **Club Nàutic l'Escala**; in association with RS Veleros. The venue will be located at Riells beach (next to the CN l'Escala Sailing School facilities).

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the “Rules” as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.
- 1.2 **(DP)** Weta Class Rules
- 1.3 **(DP)** The Equipment Rules of Racing (ERS)
- 1.4 RRS 44.1 is amended so that the two turns is replaced by one turn, including one tack and one gybe.
- 1.5 In all rules governing this regatta **(NP)** denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.6 **(NP)(DP)** Boats may be required to display identification numbers and/or Event Advertising supplied by the Organizing Authority in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 Advertising Code.

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located at the Club Nàutic l'Escala Web site: <https://www.nauticescala.com/en/book-your-activity/2022-lescala-international-weta-regatta/>
- 2.2 Copies of official notices will be available at the Riells beach facilities.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted one hour before the first warning signal of the day it will take effect, except for any change to the schedule of the races which will be posted by 19:00 hrs on the day before the change will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE AND OTHER SIGNALS

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Official Signal Masts (OSM) located at Riells beach facilities.
- 4.2 **(NP)(DP)** In addition to the Race Signals described in the RSS, flag “D” with one sound means “The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after this flag is displayed. Boats are not allowed to leave the beach parking area until this signal is made”.

#### 5. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT (NP)(DP)

- 5.1 Replacement of Crew shall require a prior approval of the Race Committee. Request for replacement shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 6. RACING FORMAT

- 6.1 If conditions allow, one day the competition will be a raid. That will be explained on the skippers meeting.
- 6.2 Four races per day are scheduled for the other days.

## 7. PROGRAMME

### 7.1 Schedule:

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
Friday, 2nd September	09:00 h. 11:00 h. 13:00 h.	Sign in @ registration Office Mandatory competitors meeting @ Riells beach Warning Signal first race of the day
Saturday, 3rd September	12:00 h.	Warning Signal first race of the day
Sunday, 4th September	12:00 h. After races	Warning Signal first race of the day Prize giving (location TBC)

7.2 No warning signals will be made after 15:00 hrs on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>.

## 8. SCORING

8.1 The Low-Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply.

8.2 A minimum of 1 completed fleet race is required to constitute the championship.

8.3 Discards:

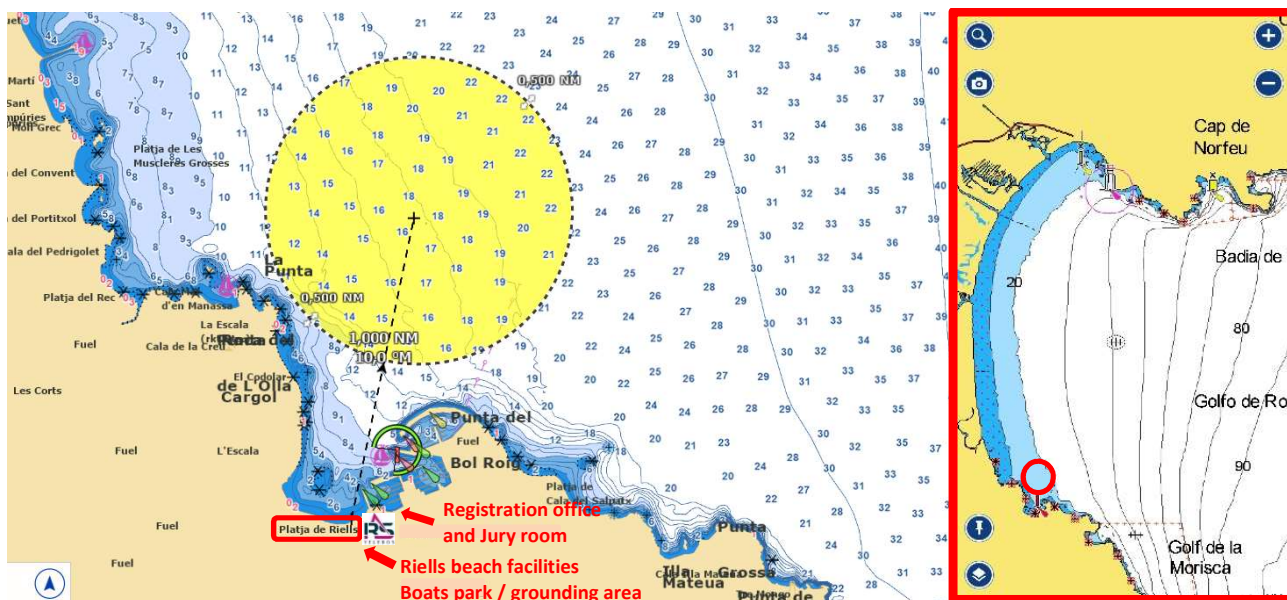
- When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- When 8 or more races have been completed, a boat's series will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## 9. CLASS FLAGS IDENTIFICATION

9.1 Regarding RRS 26, Warning Signal flag will be "W" from the intl. code.

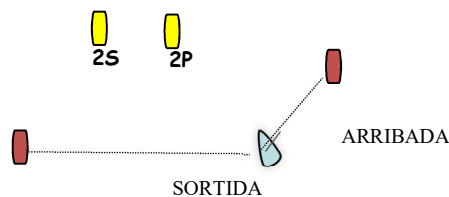
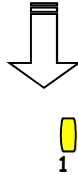
## 10. COURSE AREA

10.1 The course area is located in front of l'Escala harbour.



## 11. THE COURSE

11.1 Windward – Leeward: Start – mark 1 – 2S/2P – mark 1 – 2S/2P – Finish



- 11.2 Except in a Gate, marks have to be left on port side. If one of the gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be left on port side.
- 11.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 11.4 Races will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

## 12. MARKS

12.1 Marks features

Course marks:	Inflatable yellow cylindrical buoys
Changing mark:	Inflatable red cylindrical buoy
Starting marks:	Race Committee boat and inflatable orange buoy
Finishing marks:	Race Committee boat and a buoy with staff displaying a blue flag

## 13. THE START

- 13.1 Starts will be made in accordance with RRS 26. Class flags described in SI 9 will be used as a warning signal flag.
- 13.2 To alert sailors that a start procedure is soon to begin, the ORANGE flag defined at RRS Race Signals will be displayed with one sound at least 3 minutes before the first warning signal of the first start of the sequence.
- 13.3 A boat that starts more than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes Appendix A4 and Appendix A5.

#### 14. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

- 14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark. Only Mark 1 can be replaced.
- 14.2 The new marks will be as shown in SI 12.

#### 15. THE FINISH

- 15.1 The finishing line will be between the mast showing a blue flag at the Race Committee boat at the port-end and the finish mark at the starboard-end.

#### 16. TIME LIMIT AND TARGET TIMES

- 16.1 Boats failing to finish within the “finish window” time (time after the first boat “*sail the course*” and finishes) will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS Rule 35, Appendix A.4 and Appendix A.5.
- 16.2 Time limits and target times for the first boat are as follows:  
Mark 1 time limit: 15 min. - Course target time: 30 min. - Race time limit: 50 min. - Finish window: 10 min.
- 16.3 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race shall be abandoned. Noncompliance of the target time shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a)
- 16.4 Failure to meet the target times will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS rule 62.1(a).

#### 17. PROTESTS

- 17.1 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be written on forms available at Riells beach facilities and must be delivered within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals “no more racing today”, whichever is later. The protest time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 17.3 The schedule of hearings will be posted not later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. Hearings will be held in the protest room located at Club Nàutic l'Escala sailing school.
- 17.4 On the last day of racing, a request for redress based on the jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

#### 18. PRIZES

- 18.1 Prizes will be awarded for the three first boats ranked on the overall results.

#### 19. SAFETY (NP, DP)

- 19.1 Except if in an emergency, boats shall only come ashore at Riells beach facilities.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or the Race Office as soon as possible.
- 19.3 Boats arriving for any reason at a point ashore other than Riells beach shall report immediately by telephone to the Regatta Coordinator (+34) 618 771 544.
- 19.4 Boats failing to obey this Sailing Instruction can be required to pay the expenses of search and rescue operations and should be reported to the Spanish Maritime Authorities.

#### 20. TRASH DISPOSAL (NP, DP)

- 20.1 Trash may be placed aboard the Race Committee boats or any other organization boats.

#### 22. DISCLAIMER

- 21.1 All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility as it is written in the Notice of Race.
- 21.2 The Organizing Committee or any part involved with the organization of the event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the races covered by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.



21.3 Attention is drawn to the RRS Fundamental Rule 3 – Decision to Race, which states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.

**23. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NOT PART OF THIS SAILING INSTRUCTIONS)**

EMERGENCY PHONES: Regatta Coordinator: (+34) 618 771 544