



A-Class Catamaran European Championship

Puerto Sherry, Cadiz-Spain

20th to 26th June 2020

The A - CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2020 will be held from 20 to 26 June 2020 in Puerto Sherry, Cadiz (Spain), organized by the Club Náutico Puerto Sherry in cooperation with the Andalusian Sailing Federation and the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation and in association with the Spanish A-Class Association and the Spanish Catamaran Class Association (ADECAT).

Powered by Marina Puerto Sherry and Sponsored by Vanguard Inflatable Boats, ABD Computer Consulting, 5th Centenary of the First Round-the-world Voyage and CAREX Logistics.

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Class and Championship Rules of the International A Division Catamaran Association (IACA) will apply for the European Championships.
- 1.3 The prescriptions of the National Authority will not apply.
- 1.4 The Classic Discipline Trial rules will apply.

2. ADVERTISING [DP]

- 2.1 Boats and competitors shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
- 3.2 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.





- 3.3 Boats may compete in either the Open or the Classic Discipline.
- 3.4 Entries should be received by the Organizing Authority no later than 30th March 2020 and will only be accepted, at the discretion of the Organizing Authority, after that date with the payment of an additional 50 €.
- 3.5 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 on the first day of each event and handed in at registration. Form may be downloaded from event page as per the link below
- 4. All the competitors and coaches shall entry through the following link:
<http://regatas.clubnauticopuertosherry.com/es/default/races/race/text/a-class-catamaran-european-championships-es>

- 5. **FEES**
Early Entry Fee 225,00€ (until 30th March 2020)
Late entry Fee: 275,00€ (from 31st March 2020)
Support Boat Fee: 100,00€
Companions fee: 50,00€ (T-shirt & Opening/Closing Ceremony reception)

- 6. **FORMAT OF RACING.**
The Open fleet and the Classic Discipline fleet will race in separate fleets.

- 7. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

DATE	HOUR	EVENT
Saturday 20 June	10.00 - 19.00	Registration
Sunday 21 June	09.00 – 13.00	Registration
	11.00	Coaches Briefing
	14.00	Practice Race
	19.00	Opening Ceremony
Monday 22 June	13.00	Racing
Tuesday 23 June	13.00	Racing
Wednesday 24 June	13.00	Racing
Thursday 25 June	13.00	Racing
Friday 26 June	12.00	Racing
	19.00	Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony

- 7.1 On Friday 26 June there will be no warning signal after 15.00.
- 7.2 A total of 12 races are scheduled
- 7.3 A maximum of 3 races per day will be sailed





8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 Measurement and equipment checks may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.2 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 Championships. All competitors at registration must produce valid and current measurement certificates for the hull, mast and sail. Refer to <http://www.a-cat.org/?q=node/9>
- 8.3 The Equipment Inspection Regulations for the Championships will be published on the event website.
- 8.4 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Championships Technical Committee.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the event website a few days before.

10. VENUE

The 2020 A Class Catamaran European Championships will be held in Puerto Sherry, El Puerto de Santa María, Cádiz, Spain.

The mailing address, and venue contact for the event is: info@acateuro2020.com

11. THE COURSES

Courses will be Windward-Leeward.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

13. SCORING

- 13.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 13.2 At least 5 races are required to be completed to constitute the European Championship.

14. SAFETY

- 14.1 The location of the Emergency Meeting Point is shown in Attachment B
- 14.2 All competitors are strongly advised to wear a safety helmet which complies with or is accredited to EN1385 at all times whilst racing.





15. SUPPORT BOATS

- 15.1 Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority on arrival and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Event Support Boat regulations. These regulations will be published on the event website. Team support/coaches shall register complete on-site registration at the race office at the venue.
- 15.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3-letter national code of their WS Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm.
- 15.3 If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

16. INTERNATIONAL JURY

- 16.1 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
- 16.2 An arbitration hearing may be conducted for protests lodged in accordance with RRS 60.1 (a) which allege an infringement of a rule of RRS Part 2 or Part 4 or RRS 31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to a protest hearing. Hearings will be conducted in accordance with RRS Appendix T.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes for the European Championships will be awarded for the first FIVE places overall in both the Open and Classic Discipline fleets.
- 17.2 The following prizes will also be awarded in each fleet
- Junior Champion (aged under 25 years)
 - Masters Champion (aged 45-50)
 - Grand Masters (aged 51-55)
 - Great Grand Masters (aged 56 or over)
 - Women's Champion
- 17.3 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 17.4 Ages will be based on age at 20th June 2020

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 18.1 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.
- 18.2 The IACA Championship Rules apply for European Championships and forbid the carrying and use of any personal GPS device.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least 1.500.000€ (or equivalent) per incident.





20. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) 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;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any competitors briefing held for this event.

21. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

21.1 Where consent has been given for imagery, competitors grant to the Organizing Authority, International A Class Catamaran Association and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.

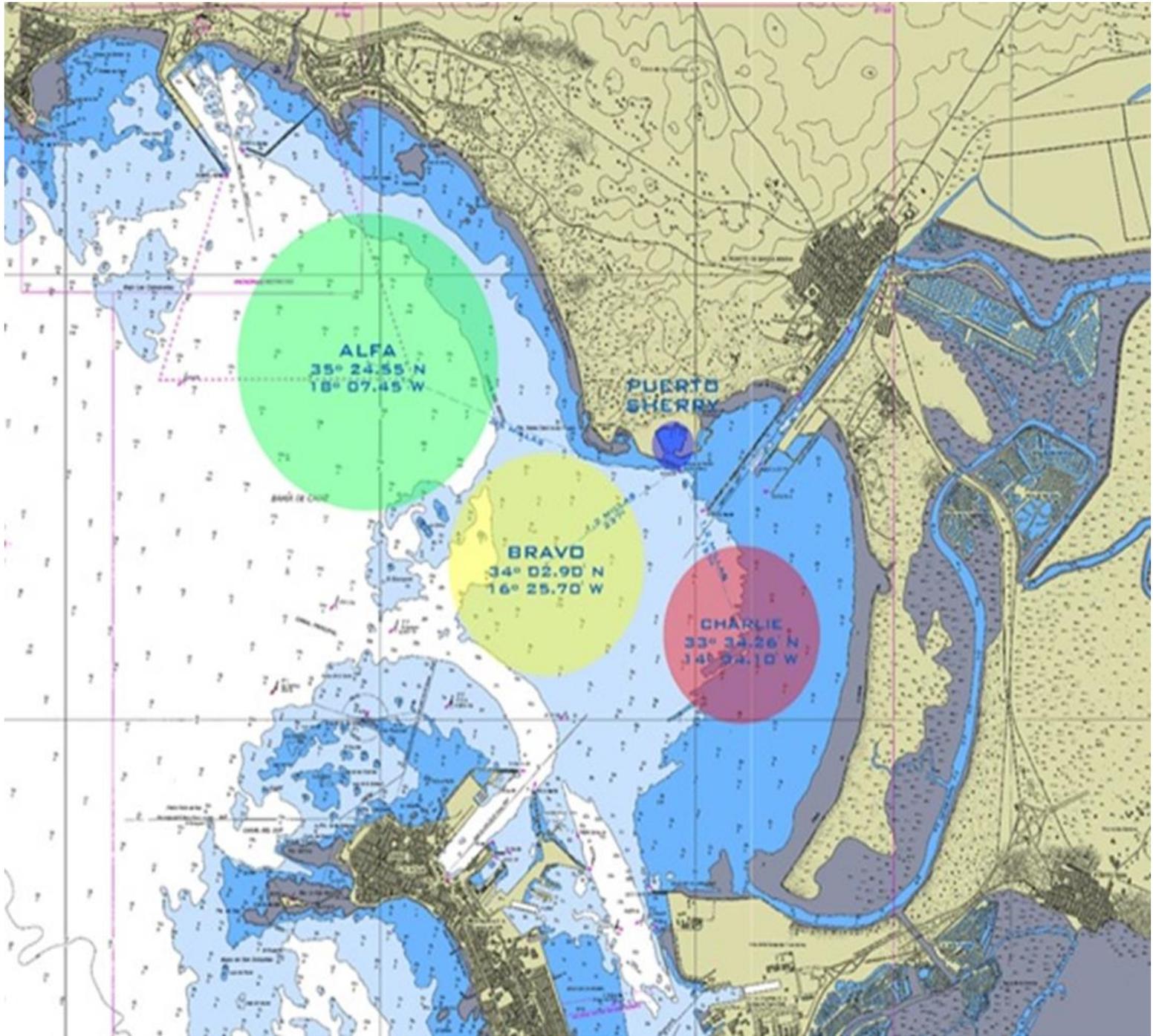
21.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.

El Puerto de Santa María, January 2020.





ATTACHMENT A – RACE COURSES





ATTACHMENT B – AMBULANCE LOCATION

Puerto Sherry Marina

