

# NOTICE OF RACE

## 470 CLASS OPEN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 16-24 MAY 2018

Yacht Club Port Bourgas in co-operation with the Bulgarian 420 & 470 National Class Association, the International 470 Class Association, the Municipality of Bourgas, the Port of Bourgas and under the auspices of the Bulgarian Sailing Federation are pleased to invite 470 sailors to take part in the:

**2018 Men's 470 Open European Championship** (for men crews)  
and the  
**2018 Women 470 Open European Championship** (for women crews)

in Bourgas, Bulgaria from 16-24 May 2018

*[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification.*

*[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by boat.*

*[SP] denotes a rule which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.*

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 National Authority prescriptions will not apply.
- 1.3 For the Medal Races, World Sailing Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, currently available on the World Sailing website shall apply. The version that is current when the regatta begins will be listed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 No Class Rule variations will apply.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2. [DP] [NP] ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- 2.1 [DP] Boats may be required to display bow numbers and / or advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.2 Competitors ranking first second and third in the series at the beginning of each day shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing that day. The bibs will be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.3 [SP] Boats are required to display national flags on their mainsail as in class rule C.10.4 (a) (4). 470/World Sailing approved national flag manufacturers can be found at: [www.sailing.org/35308.php](http://www.sailing.org/35308.php)

## 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats of the 470 Class and to competitors who comply with World Sailing Regulation 19 – Eligibility Code.

Participating crews in the regatta shall be approved by their National 470 Class Association or by their National Authority where there is no National Association. Only crews representing nations in good standing with the International 470 Class Association may participate. Each crew member shall be member of a National 470 Class Association affiliated to the National Authority or of the International 470 Class Association when there is no National Association in the concerned country.

The Open European Championship is open to all nations, but only crews from European nations as defined by World Sailing may take part in the European Championship.

- 3.2 Eligible boats shall fill in the relevant “On-line Entry Form” on the Championship website of the International 470 Class Association at [2018Europeans.470.org](http://2018Europeans.470.org), and pay the corresponding entry fees. A request for entry becomes a valid pre-entry when the relevant National 470 Class Association, or the National Authority where there is no National Association, has confirmed to the International 470 Class Association that the corresponding crew is approved to take part in the Championship and meets the eligibility criteria, and when the International 470 Class Association has received the payment of the entry fees. The International 470 Class Association will publish the list of pre-entries on its website. Only crews with valid pre-entry in the list may take part in the Championship.

The request for entry shall be filled in and the entry fees shall be paid to the International 470 Class Association and received on or before 16 April 2018 to benefit from the advantage of the reduced entry fees (refer to 5.1).

- 3.3 Entries sent after the deadline indicated above, but on or before 2 May 2018, will be accepted with the required entry fees. Late entries received on 3 May 2018 or later will be accepted only at the discretion of the Management Committee of the International 470 Class Association, whose decision shall be final.
- 3.4 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at on-site registration. They may choose to download their Entry Form from their Sailor Account once you have completed your entry and entry fee payment to the Championship.
- 3.5 Support Team members (Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations) are requested to fill in the entry form posted at [2018Europeans.470.org](http://2018Europeans.470.org) on or before 16 April 2018. Entry fees shall be paid direct to the Organizing Authority during on-site registration (refer to 5.1).

## 4. CLASSIFICATION

- 4.1 No classification requirements will apply (see RRS 79).

## 5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is EUR450 per boat.

The entry fee is reduced to EUR350 per boat for boats that have completed online entry and paid their entry fee on or before 16 April 2018.

Entry fees to be paid by Support Teams are EUR75 per person and will be paid directly to the Organizing Authority at on-site registration.

These entry fees include all collective services provided by the Organizing Authority.

- 5.2 Entry fees shall be paid at the same time the request for entry is sent to:

“470 International”

- 1) By On-Line Secure Credit Card Payments via “PayPal payment” button at [2018Europeans.470.org](http://2018Europeans.470.org)

or

- 2) By bank transfer to “470 Internationale” account

Header: 470 Internationale

Bank: 30003 – branch: 02206 –account number: 00050460897 04

IBAN: FR76 30003 02206 00050460897 04

SWIFT: **SOGEFRPP**

Bank address: SOCIETE GENERALE  
3 rue du Pavé de Meudon – 92370 - Chaville - France

Please advise when bank transfer has been made by email to:  
[payments@470.org](mailto:payments@470.org)

## 6. CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

- 6.1 Men and Women fleets shall race separately.
- 6.2 Each event shall consist of an opening series and a medal race, provided a minimum of 6 races have been completed in the opening series. The opening series may be divided into a qualifying series and a final series. The top ten finishers in the opening series of each event shall advance to the Medal Race.
- 6.3 Opening series:
- 6.3.1 Qualifying series – 5 races are scheduled for each event. Crews will be divided into fleets. Each fleet will have approximately the same number of crews.
- 6.3.2 The number of fleets will be as defined below:
- one fleet up to 40 boats,
  - two fleets from 41 to 80 boats,
  - three fleets for more than 80 boats.
- The numbers of fleets may be changed by the Organizing Authority when total number of entries is close to the limits stated in this NoR.
- 6.3.3 Final series – 6 races are scheduled for each event. Crews in the qualifying series will be divided into final fleets according to the final scores of the qualifying series. There will be the same number of fleets as in the qualifying series. Each fleet will have approximately the same number of crews. The Gold fleet shall consist of the first part of the final scores of the qualifying series, Silver fleet of the second part, and so on.
- 6.3.4 Single series - If there are fewer than 40 entries at an event, then the Championship will be competed in one separate fleet with 10 races at the opening series and a Medal Race, provided a minimum of 6 races have been completed in the opening series.
- 6.4 Medal Race - will be scheduled for each event as per NoR 6.2.
- 6.5 The Championship format may be changed in accordance with the final version of the Tokyo 2020 format.

## 7. SCHEDULE

### 7.1 Schedule of races:

Day 1 - Wednesday 16 May 2018	Registration and measurement	09:00 -18:00
Day 2 - Thursday 17 May 2018	Registration and measurement	09:00 -18:00
	Opening Ceremony	19:00
Day 3 - Friday 18 May 2018	Registration and measurement	09:00 -18:00
	Practice Race	13:00
Day 4 - Saturday 19 May 2018	Qualifying series	12:00
Day 5 - Sunday 20 May 2018	Qualifying series	TBA
Day 6 - Monday 21 May 2018	Qualifying/Final series	TBA
Day 7 - Tuesday 22 May 2018	Qualifying/Final series	TBA
Day 8 - Wednesday 23 May 2018	Qualifying/Final series	TBA
Day 9 - Thursday 24 May 2018	Final series/Medal Race	TBA
	Closing Ceremony	TBA

7.2 No warning signal will be given after 16:30 on the last racing day.

7.3 No more than three races shall be sailed each day.

## 8. [DP] [NP] MEASUREMENT

8.1 A Technical Committee shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 92.

8.2 Each boat shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate, including the completed Measurement Form, at the time of pre-race equipment inspections. If the completed Measurement Form is a photocopy, its authenticity shall be confirmed with an original stamp and signature from the issuing authority. If a boat is to produce a measurement certificate in accordance with RRS 78.2, she shall do so before 18:00 on 18 May 2019.

8.3 Pre-race equipment inspections will consist of, at least:

- full measurement of boats used by crews within the Top 30 of the World Sailing Men's ranking list or within the Top 20 of the World Sailing Women's ranking list,
- full measurement of not less than 10 other boats per event, chosen at random by the Event Chief Measurer,

- for the other boats, measurement shall include at least: the weight of the complete boat (Class Rule C.6.1), conformity of the hull and sails to the measurement certificate and to Class Rules B.3.1, C.10.3, C.10.4, D.1.4, G.2.2 and G.3.1 (identification marks on hull and sails), Class Rules F.3.5(a)(11)&(12) and F.4.3(a)(5)&(6) (stoppers and limit marks on spars), permitted fittings on boats and any specific checks requested by crews for their own boats.

The Event Chief Measurer may request additional inspections checks on a case by case basis.

Event Measurement Regulations and Policies will be published on the Championship website before the start of the event and posted on the official notice board the day before the first day for event measurement. They will be available to competitors, team leaders and coaches at the Race Office upon request.

- 8.4 In accordance with RRS78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of RRS 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Equipment checks will be performed at random during the regatta.

## 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available during registration at the Race Office and at the Championship website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the Sailing Instructions.

## 10. VENUE

- 10.1 The regatta site is located at:

### **Yacht Club Port Bourgas**

The Port of Bourgas

1, Alexander Batenberg Street, Bourgas 8000, Bulgaria

Tel: (+359 888) 950344;

E-mail: [events@yachtclubportbourgas.org](mailto:events@yachtclubportbourgas.org)

Web: [www.YachtClubPortBourgas.org](http://www.YachtClubPortBourgas.org)

Coordinates: 42°29'1.28"N 27°28'59.14"E

## 11. COURSES

- 11.1 The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid.

## 12. PENALTY SYSTEM & INTERNATIONAL JURY

12.1 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for RRS 42*, will apply.

12.2. RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

12.3 An International Jury shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b).

12.4 Decisions of the International Jury shall be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## 13. SCORING

13.1 RRS Appendix A will apply.

13.2 Qualifying series:

- There will be 5 races in the qualifying series.
- At least 4 qualifying races are required to be completed to constitute the qualifying series.
- All race scores from the qualifying series will be carried forward to the final series.

13.3 Final series:

- There will be 6 races in the final series.

13.4 Single series

- There will be 10 final races in the single series.
- At least 6 final races are required to be completed to constitute the regatta series or to enter the Medal Race.

13.5 Discards

- When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores from all races,
- When 3 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13.6 Medal Race

- The boats assigned to compete in the Medal Race will be ranked highest in the Championship except for a boat disqualified from the Medal Race under RRS 5, 6 or 69.
- A boat's score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4.1, and the score of that race shall not be excluded from the series score.

- Ties in the series score between boats with different Medal Race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat that scored better in the Medal Race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.

## 14. SUPPORT TEAMS

14.1 All Support Team members shall be registered (see 3.5) with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event Support Team Regulations. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

14.2 Registered Support Team boats shall:

- a) fly a flag with their three letter national code (see RRS G1.1) clearly displayed, or shall carry a sticker of their three letter national code on each side of the boat or engine. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. The flag or stickers will not be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- b) fly a numbered identifier flag which will be provided by the Organizing Authority during registration.

14.3 Registered support boats shall act as assistance / rescue boats in case of need and shall comply with any instructions given by the Race Committee or the Organizing Authority.

14.4 All support boats shall have third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 1,000,000 or equivalent per incident.

## 15. [DP] [NP] BERTHING

When berthed, boats shall be kept in their assigned place at the boat park.

## 16. PRIZES AND TITLES

16.1 The first crew of the final official ranking list of the European Championship will be declared:

**“470 Class Men’s European Champion”**

and

**“470 Class Women’s European Champion”**

16.2 Medals will be awarded to the first, second and third place crews of the European Championship by the International 470 Class Association.

16.3 Prizes will be awarded to the top-ten placed crews of the Open European Championship by the Organizing Authority.



## 17. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors and support team participate in the Championships entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- 17.1 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;
- 17.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 17.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 17.4 By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- 17.5 The provision of a race management team, safety boats, judges and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 17.6 The provision of safety boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 17.7 They will familiarize themselves with any venue/event specific risks, adhere to rules and information produced for the venue/event and attend any venue/event safety briefings.

## 18. [DP] [NP] MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 By participating in the Championship, competitors automatically grant to the International 470 Class Association and to the Organizing Authority 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 the competition without compensation.
- 18.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority and in accordance with Class Rule C.5.1 (a) (3).

## 19. INSURANCE

19.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 1,000,000 per event or equivalent. The Organizing Authority will not be responsible for verifying the status or validity of such certificates.

19.2 It will be possible to purchase a third party insurance covering the duration of the Championship at registration.

## APPENDIX 1 – RACING AREAS



## GENERAL INFORMATION (not part of the NOR)

### Organizing Authority:

#### **Yacht Club Port Bourgas**

The Port of Bourgas  
1, Alexander Batenberg Street, Bourgas 8000, Bulgaria  
Tel: (+359 888) 950344;  
E-mail: [events@yachtclubportbourgas.org](mailto:events@yachtclubportbourgas.org)  
Web: [www.YachtClubPortBourgas.org](http://www.YachtClubPortBourgas.org)  
Coordinates: 42°29'1.28"N 27°28'59.14"E

### Accommodation:

**SPONSORING HOTELS - Please quote "470 Europeans 2018" in your correspondence in order to get preferential rates.**

#### **Hotel "Luxor" \*\*\***

27, Bulair Street, Bourgas 8000, Bulgaria  
Tel. +35956847670  
E-mail: [luxor\\_bs@yahoo.com](mailto:luxor_bs@yahoo.com)  
[www.luxor-bs.com](http://www.luxor-bs.com)

#### **Hotel "Bulgaria" \*\*\*\***

21, Alexandrovska Str., Bourgas 8000, Bulgaria  
Tel. +35956842820; +35956842610;  
Mobile: +35956888646463  
Fax +35956841291  
E-mail: [HotelBulgaria@bginfo.net](mailto:HotelBulgaria@bginfo.net)  
[www.Bulgaria-Hotel.com](http://www.Bulgaria-Hotel.com)

#### **Hotel "Burgas" \*\*\*\***

5, Han Krum Street, Bourgas 8000, Bulgaria  
Tel. +359878726666  
E-mail: [info@hotelburgas.com](mailto:info@hotelburgas.com)  
[www.hotelburgas.com](http://www.hotelburgas.com)

#### **Grand Hotel & SPA "Primoretz" \*\*\*\*\***

2, Alexander Batenberg Street, Bourgas 8000, Bulgaria  
Tel. +35956812345  
E-mail: [reservations@hotelprimoretz.bg](mailto:reservations@hotelprimoretz.bg)  
[www.hotelprimoretz.bg](http://www.hotelprimoretz.bg)

## Travel:

### By car

Enter the coordinates of Yacht Club Port Bourgas in your GPS:

**42°29'1.28"N      27°28'59.14"E**

For route planning go to: [www.viamichelin.com](http://www.viamichelin.com)

### By plane

**Bourgas airport (BOJ)** [www.bourgas-airport.com](http://www.bourgas-airport.com) is located 10 km north of the city. There are numerous flights from all over Europe flying to Bourgas, especially in summer.

- **International flights:**
  - Ryanair offers flights to Germany, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Poland, Slovakia;
  - WizzAir offers flights to London Luton airport;
  - S7 offers flights to Moscow.
- **Seasonal flights:** During the summer season, from May until September, charter companies offer flights from UK, Ireland, Czech Republic, Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Poland, Hungary, etc. to Bourgas. Check the Bourgas airport website to receive actual information on departing/arriving airlines operating this season.
- **Internal flights:** Bulgaria Air offers every day flights to/from Sofia.

Bus No. 15 connects the airport with the city. The ticket costs BGN 1,00 (circa € 0,50) and the trip lasts about 20 - 30 minutes. This bus starts at the train station every 30 minutes from 06:00 to 23:00.

### By bus

There are many buses from every city in the country to Bourgas. Most of the buses coming to the city arrive at the bus station South. There are also many buses coming from Turkey (Istanbul) and Greece.

- Domestic bus lines: Every operating company has their own reservation system. Some of the companies that run bus lines to the city are Enturtrans [www.enturtrans.com](http://www.enturtrans.com), Union Ivkoni [www.union-ivkoni.bg](http://www.union-ivkoni.bg) and Biomet [www.biomet.bg](http://www.biomet.bg).
- International: Eurolines [www.eurolines.bg](http://www.eurolines.bg) runs regular international bus lines to/from Bourgas.

### By ferry

The Port of Bourgas operates mainly industrial ships - [www.port-burgas.bg](http://www.port-burgas.bg)

Black Sea Ferry Services operates the official ferry service between Bourgas, Poti and Novorossiysk - [www.pbm.bg](http://www.pbm.bg)

Bulgaria Hydrofoil LTD operates the official fast ferry service between Varna, Nessebar and Sozopol - [www.fastferry.bg](http://www.fastferry.bg)

**Weather and current:**

Information about weather can be found on the following web sites:

- [www.windguru.cz/int/index.php?sc=309952&switchlang=1](http://www.windguru.cz/int/index.php?sc=309952&switchlang=1)
- [www.windfinder.com/weatherforecast/burgas](http://www.windfinder.com/weatherforecast/burgas)
- [www.gismeteo.ru/city/daily/3436/4/](http://www.gismeteo.ru/city/daily/3436/4/)
- [www.weather2travel.com/climate-guides/bulgaria/burgas.php](http://www.weather2travel.com/climate-guides/bulgaria/burgas.php)

<a href="#">Max Daytime Temperature (°C)</a>	21°C (70°F) in May
<a href="#">Min Night-time Temperature (°C)</a>	12°C (54°F) in May
<a href="#">Hours of Sunshine (Daily)</a>	8 Hours per day in May
<a href="#">Hours of Daylight (Daily)</a>	15 Hours per day in May
<a href="#">Heat and Humidity Discomfort</a>	None in May
<a href="#">Days with some Rainfall</a>	8 Days in May
<a href="#">Monthly Rainfall (mm)</a>	48 mm (1.9 inches) in May
<a href="#">UV Index (Maximum)</a>	7 (High) in May
<a href="#">Sea Temperature (°C)</a>	15°C (59°F) in May

**Prevailing winds:** NE-E-SE (070° - 110°)  
**Average wind speed:** 7 m/s  
**Current:** 0,5 - 1,0 knots  
**Average tide:** N/A