



## **GC32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

**23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**RIVA DEL GARDA, ITALY**

### **NOTICE OF RACE – Version 2 (15<sup>th</sup> December 2017)**

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

#### **1. ORGANISATION**

- 1.1. The GC32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2018 Organising Authority (OA) will be the Fraglia Vela Riva, in partnership with the GC32 International Class Association.

#### **2. RULES**

The event is governed by:

- 2.1. The Rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 "Fast Boat Edition" Addendum 1.
- 2.2. Class Rules and interpretations [DP].
- 2.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

#### **3. ADVERTISING**

- 3.1. World Sailing Regulation 20 Advertising Code, as modified by the GC32 International Class Association shall apply [DP].
- 3.2. The Organising Authority may require, identification and or advertising stickers to be placed over the first 25% of the forward section of the hulls (inside and outside), from the front edge of the back beam aft on the hull and the lower part of the mast. It is the competitors' responsibility to affix these stickers and to maintain them in good condition throughout the event [DP].

#### **4. ELIGIBILITY**

- 4.1. The event is open to GC32s with a valid measurement certificate and registered with the GC32 International Class Association.

- 4.2. All competitors shall comply with the World Sailing Eligibility Code, Regulation 19, and provide their World Sailing "sailor Identification number" and proof of membership to their Member National Authority (MNA).
- 4.3. All competitors competing for the Owner-driver trophy are required to register accordingly and are required to meet the definition of an Owner-driver as per SI 13.3
- 4.4. In addition to the GC32 World Championships scoring, all 2018 GC32 Racing Tour entries will be dual scored against other eligible boats for Event 1 of the 2018 GC32 Racing Tour and awarded a ranking excluding non-eligible boats.

## 5. ENTRY

- 5.1. Entries shall be made to the GC32 International Class Association using the Official Entry form as sent out by the Organising Authority.
- 5.2. Entry fees per boat:
 

Entries received before the 15 <sup>th</sup> of December 2017	€ 10'000
Late entries	€ 11'500

## 6. REGISTRATION

- 6.1. The Race Office will be at Fraglia Vela Riva.
- 6.2. Each boat shall complete registration, including payment of all class and event fees, before 18:00 on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, including:
  - 6.2.1. Completing the insurance declaration details (NOR 20)
  - 6.2.2. Crew weighing (Class Rule C2.2)
  - 6.2.3. Completing the championship sail declaration form (Class Rule C11.2(b))
  - 6.2.4. Completing all required measurement checks/inspections
  - 6.2.5. Provide parental consent for those participants under the age of 18 on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018.

## 7. SCHEDULE

<i>May</i>	<i>Schedule</i>
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Arrival and unloading of Containers and trailers. Please contact: Alberto Bertamini from Fraglia Vela Riva for your arrival time and details. Phone: +39 327 305 20 57, Email: <a href="mailto:info@fragliavelariva.it">info@fragliavelariva.it</a>
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Arrival and unloading of Containers and trailers. Preparation of boats and measurement ashore.
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> , Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> , and Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	09:00 – 18:00 Craning, measurement, sail declarations, crew registration and weighing at the Race Office of the Fraglia Vela Riva.
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00 Main event skippers and safety boat drivers briefing. 13:00 Official practice races. 18:30 Press Conference at Fraglia Vela Riva 19:30 Opening Ceremony / Aperitif
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 Skippers briefing at Fraglia Vela Riva. First warning signal time and schedule to be confirmed.
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Skippers briefing at Fraglia Vela Riva and racing schedule to be announced.
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Skippers briefing at Fraglia Vela Riva and racing schedule to be announced. Approx. 17:00 Prize giving. Craning of boats
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	08:00 Further craning of boats if needed, packing up.
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	08.00 – 12.00 Loading of containers

- 7.1. Up to 20 windward leeward races may be sailed.

- 7.2. It is intended that there will be no more than five windward leeward races a day, however, additional races may be sailed on any day in order to achieve the schedule if weather or other reasons dictate.
- 7.3. In addition to the windward leeward races the Race Committee would like to run Time Trial Periods and dedicated "on-board guest races" if the prevailing conditions are suitable. Further details of these will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.4. No warning signal will be displayed after 15:30 on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May.
- 7.5. It is mandatory for skippers to attend all briefings, press conferences and prize-giving as defined in the event schedule. [DP]

## **8. BOAT MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTIONS**

- 8.1. Boats shall have all inspections and sail measurement completed before 18:00 on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. All boats shall be made available accompanied by two owner's representatives during their inspection and sail measurements. [DP]

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available from the Race Office during registration and the event website by Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

## **10. SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

- 10.1. All GC32's and their crews must comply with the safety equipment requirements as described in the GC32 Class Rules. [DP]
- 10.2. All crew members, including guests and all rib drivers will be required to attend a mandatory safety briefing before racing in the event. [DP]
- 10.3. All participating boats must comply with the legislation of their country. [DP]
- 10.4. All personnel involved in craning boats ashore are required to wear safety hard hats and hi-vis vests.

## **11. RACE AREA AND COURSES**

- 11.1. Racing will take place on Lake Garda. Details of courses will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

## **12. SAILS AND SAILS LIMITS**

- 12.1. A GC32 can register a maximum of 5 sails for the championship. These sails shall be a mainsail, a light jib, a heavy jib and two gennakers.
- 12.2. Only class legal sails produced by the licensed manufacturer from the year 2016 and onwards can be registered.
- 12.3. In the case of irreparable damage to a sail, or non-intentional loss, a request for replacement may be made to the Organising Authority.

## **13. SCORING**

The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply with the following changes:

- 13.1. Four windward leeward races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.2. There will be no discards.
- 13.3. In addition to the GC32 World Championship ranking, there will be a separate ranking for boats with an owner-driver. The winner of the owner-driver team will be awarded a trophy. An owner-driver is defined as:
  - (a) Being Group 1 under the World Sailing Sailor Classification Code
  - (b) In the last six years having only been classified as Group 1 (or would have been classified as such had a classification been held)

An Owner-driver cannot be a:

- sailor who has completed in the sailing events at the Olympic Games, Volvo Ocean Race or in an America's Cup or Challengers Selections Series of the America's Cup within the last five years.
- sailor who has been in the top 50 of the World Match Racing Ranking in the past five years.

If a team's Owner-driver is absent for any race, then a team must appoint a stand-in owner driver fulfilling the above criteria and seek confirmation of the acceptability of this replacement by the Organising Authority. If for any races, the Owner-driver criteria is not fulfilled then the team in question will be scored DNF ('Did not Finish') in the Owner-driver ranking.

**13.4.** Eligible boats will be dual scored for Event 1 of the 2018 GC32 Racing Tour in accordance with the 2018 GC32 Racing Tour rules.

**13.5.** The results of any Time Trials will not count towards a boats series score for the event.

#### **14. PROTESTS**

**14.1.** The event will have an International Jury constituted in accordance with rule 91(b) and Appendix N. Decisions of the Jury will be final, in accordance with RRS 70.5.

#### **15. SUPPORT BOATS**

**15.1.** Each team shall have its own RIB as a support boat of adequate size and engine power to right a capsized boat. The maximum size of support boat must not exceed 12m. No more than one support boat per team is allowed.

**15.2.** Mechanically propelled boats are generally prohibited to sail on the northern part of Lake Garda, however, during this event, a special permit to use such boats may be given. Each team shall produce the following documents for their support boat to the organising authority ([info@fragliavelariva.it](mailto:info@fragliavelariva.it)) prior to arrival at Fraglia Vela Riva:

15.2.1. Rib's engine registration document (engine brand name - engine serial numbers);

15.2.2. Rib's engine insurance;

15.2.3. Driver's identity document.

A permit will be issued only for support boats and it can be withdrawn at any time if rules stated in the NOR and Sailing Instructions are not followed. [DP]

**15.3.** Support boats must be registered during the registration period with the Organising Authority prior to being used as a support boat. An assigned berth will be provided for the support boat. [DP]

**15.4.** Support boats shall carry on board, and operate while on the water, a marine VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on International marine VHF channels and agree to assist the Race Committee and other teams if directed to do so. [DP]

**15.5.** Support boats are obliged to help other teams or the Organising Authority if asked to do so. [DP]

**15.6.** Support boats crews will be required to attend a safety briefing to obtain permissions to get into the regulated sailing area. [DP]

#### **16. BERTHING AND HAULING OUT**

**16.1.** The Organising Authority will provide an assigned berth for each boat. Boats shall be berthed in their assigned mooring during the event at Fraglia Vela Riva from 16:00 on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May until the completion of the final race. [DP]

**16.2.** Boats shall not be hauled out during this time, except with and per the terms of prior written permission of the Organising Authority. [DP]

#### **17. COMMUNICATIONS**

**17.1.** Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats. [DP]

**17.2.** Trackers or other electronic equipment may be provided by the Organising Authority and shall be used in accordance with the Sailing Instructions. [DP]

**17.3.** In the case of a serious emergency involving personal injury, there will be no communications by the teams nor their media representatives, the Organising Authority or GC32 Racing Tour media team until a communication plan has been mutually agreed between the relevant parties. In the event of a routine incident, such as a man overboard or a capsize, once the Safety Officer and Principal Race Officer have ascertained that everyone involved in the incident is safe, all parties will be free to communicate the incident. [DP]

#### **18. PRIZE GIVING AND TROPHIES**

**18.1.** The event prize giving will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May after racing.

**18.2.** The GC32 World Championship Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner.

**18.3.** A Trophy will be awarded to the top owner-driver.

**18.4.** Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority, including prizes for the 2018 GC32 Racing Tour.

## **19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 19.1.** The skippers are personally responsible for any material or physical accident affecting their boat or crew. It shall be the skipper's sole responsibility to take out all the necessary insurance.
- 19.2.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 19.3.** The organisers may, as a result of force majeure or if it is necessary for the participants' safety, decide to cancel the running of the event. Cancellation for reasons of force majeure or for any other grounds outside the control of the organisers, will not incur any refunding of registration fees or compensation. The same scenario would also be true, though this list is in no way restrictive, in the event of exceptional weather conditions, armed conflict, requisition, fire, flooding, strikes or the blocking of facilities, whose origin is unknown and totally outside the control of the Organising Authority.

## **20. INSURANCE**

- 20.1.** Each participating boat must hold third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least 3,000,000.00 Euros (or equivalent) per incident. All boats at the event registration are required to produce evidence of such insurance written in Italian or English clearly indicating the name of the sailor(s) or the sailing number(s) or the CLASS registry number(s) of the insured boat(s), including the starting date and ending date of the insurance and the euro/USD amount of the insurance.

## **21. USE OF RIGHTS**

The owner or user of the boat and any possible sponsor, by the sole fact of their participation, assigns the Organising Authority the unrestricted right and permission to use, for promotional purposes or other, any text, photo or video footage relating to their participation in the event to be published or broadcast via the press, television or internet (non-exhaustive list).

## **22. CONTACTS**

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## **OTHER INFORMATION:**

A container / trailer park will be set up at Fraglia Vela Riva. Container / trailers shall arrive at the scheduled arrival date. If dates or time of arrival are outside of those scheduled the Fraglia Vela Riva must be informed at least 2 weeks in advance. On arrival teams must check-in with the Fraglia Vela Riva to find out about their assigned container / trailer parking space.

Craning according to the schedule is covered by the GC32 Class Association. Craning, storage and associated costs outside these dates and times has to be requested and confirmed by the Class Representative and Fraglia Vela Riva and will be invoiced to the teams.

Parking at the club and the event site is limited. Teams need to register with Fraglia Vela Riva for a maximum of two parking passes for the period of the event from the 17th until the 29th May 2018 midday.

# Event Site Map

