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# Turkish Offshore Racing Club TORC-AKPA 52<sup>nd</sup> TURKISH NAVAL FORCES CUP INTERNATIONAL OFFSHORE YACHT RACE 15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> of, JULY 2023

#### **Notice of Race**

#### **Turkish Offshore Racing Club**

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## TORC Turkish Naval Forces Cup 52nd Edition

**Links to Public Information** 

Official Notice Board

Regatta officials are using a web-based program to assist with the management of this regatta. It provides electronic forms for such actions as scoring inquiries, protests, equipment substitutions, etc. And it provides for electronic communication with competitors if competitors have provided an email and/or telephone number accepting SMS. Competitors will be notified electronically of protest time limits, confirmation of a protest filing, scheduled hearing times, etc. This electronic system allows competitors to move freely about the event and remain in contact with relevant officials. And all competitors have electronic access to the scoring inquiries, jury decisions, etc.\*

Notice: This electronic notice board is the Official Notice Board (ONB) for this regatta.

#### **GENERAL**

- > Breaches of rules in the sailing instructions marked [NP] shall not be grounds for protests or request of redress by a yacht. This changes RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a)
- The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the International Jury, be less than disqualification. Guidelines for discretionary penalties are available on the World Sailing.

#### **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The organising authority of this event is Turkish Offshore Racing Club

- Race Office will be located at:
  - Before the Race: Tezmarin Office, Kalamıs Istanbul
  - Day of Race Start: Cengelkoy (Istanbul)
  - During the Race D-Marin Turgutreis Marina (Bodrum) --
- Online Notice Board is available at: <a href="https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/events/5798">https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/events/5798</a> . There will not be a physical notice board.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The "Rules" as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of the World Sailing 2021-2024
- 1.2. The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 22, Category 3. (nor4.1)
- 1.3. The World Sailing Regulation 20 (Advertising Code),
- 1.4. IRC Rules 2023, Parts A, B, C.
- 1.5. The Rules of RRS Part 2 are replaced by the right-of-way Rules of IRPCAS (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea), between the times of local sunset and sunrise. For this race, sunset time shall be 2030 (local) and sunrise time shall be 0600 (local).
- 1.6. Notice of Race for the TORC 2023 Offshore Trophy, Sailing Instructions, and any amendments.

- 1.7. If there is a conflict between the rules above, the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and its amendments will be valid according to their date. **This changes RRS 63.7.**
- 1.8. The TORC "Arvento Yacht Tracking System" will be used in the race.
- 1.9. The official language of the event will be English. If there is a conflict between texts, English text shall take precedence. **(nor1.11)**

#### 2. RACE FORMAT

2.1. The race is planned as a single race over multiple days.

#### 3. [NP] ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. The race is open to all monohull sailing yachts with the below characteristics:
- 3.1.(a). LH/LOA greater than or equal to eight (8) meters with,
- 3.1.(b). A working inboard engine with sufficient fuel,
- 3.1.(c). A valid 2023 IRC ENDORSED certificate,
- 3.1.(d). Having suitable equipment for the race and safety rules,
- 3.1.(e). At least one (1) life raft aboard, with capacity to hold one more than the number of crew on board. The life raft shall be within its service period.
- 3.2. At least two (2) members of crew must have WS Safety and Sea Survival or TORC Sea Survival certificates and at least two (2) members of crew must have first aid certificates.
- 3.2.(a). The race is open to all eligible yachts and sailors who comply with the World Sailing Eligibility Code.

#### 4. CLASSES

- 4.1. This race is open for IRC class only.
- 4.2. For yachts that need to obtain an ENDORSED IRC certificate, or revalidate their certificate, the latest application deadline is 10<sup>th</sup> of July 2023, 1200 (local) hrs.

#### 5. ENTRY

5.1. Eligible yachts may enter by duly completing the <u>Online Entry Form</u> located at <u>www.tayk.org.tr</u> latest by **05**<sup>th</sup> of July, **2023 1700 (local)** hrs.

#### 6. ENTRY FEES

- 6.1. Entry fee shall be EUR400 for each/yacht (including payments to the Turkish Sailing Federation)
- 6.2. Late entries will be accepted additional EUR100. Until 10<sup>th</sup> of July

#### 7. CREW LIMITATION

- 7.1. All Turkish citizen competitors shall have a TSF license valid for 2023. There will be no temporary licenses.
- 7.2. Every change of a crewmember shall be declared via online (ONB), no later than one (1) DAY before the scheduled time of the warning signal. **No verbal crew change declarations shall be permitted**. In case a yacht is determined to have raced with an undeclared crewmember or has raced without the full declared crew list, the International Jury may choose to disqualify the yacht (DSQ).
- 7.3. The Person in Charge of the yacht shall be on board the yacht they have registered during the race. The Person in Charge of one yacht is not permitted to race on another yacht. Failure to comply with this rule is grounds for disqualification (DSQ) by the International Jury both for the Person in Charge's yacht and the second yacht the Person in Charge races on.
- 7.4. TORC may reject or cancel the entry of a yacht based on their assessment of the general safety and seaworthiness of the yacht.
- 7.5. All those registered are deemed to have accepted all the rules stated in the Notice of Race.

#### 8. NUMBER OF RACES

- 8.1. One (1) offshore race is planned.
- 8.2. No score multiplier shall be used.

#### 9. RACE PROGRAMME

9.1. Skipper Briefing: 10<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 Monday at 1830 hrs. (local); All skippers and helmsmen, Race

Committee Members and Commanders of Escorting Naval Vessels shall participate

in the briefing to be held on in the Fenerbahce D/G Station Command Base.

9.2. Opening Ceremony: There will be a cocktail event for all crew members and other people associated

with the organisation at 2000 hrs (local)

- 9.3. Check-in &inspection: 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2023, IRC & Safety equipment inspection.
- 9.4. Tracking Beacon Inst : 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2023, Arvento devices installation.
- 9.5. First Warning Signal: SATURDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 at 1200 (local) hours.
- 9.6. Award Ceremony: : 18<sup>th</sup> of July 2023, Tuesday at 2000 (local) hours at the Turgutreis Dmarin Marina.

#### 10. START

10.1. The race will be started by using RRS 26, as follows:

Warning signal (five minutes to start)
Preparatory signal (four minutes to start)
One minute signal (one minute to start)

Start signal(start)

10.2. All IRC divisions shall start at the same time. The signal flag will be the TORC pennant.

#### 11. RACE COURSE

#### 11.1. FOR ALL IRC Divisions;

- 1. İstanbul Çengelköy /START,
- 2. Marmara Islands to Port,
- 3. Dardanelle Straits (In compliance with the Maritime Traffic Regulations for the Turkish Straits),
- 4. Tavsanadası Port,
- 5. Bozcaada Starboard or Port,
- 6. Lesbos Island to Port,
- 7. Chios Island to Port,
- 8. Fourni Island to Starboard Samos Island to Port,
- 9. Leros & Kalymnos and Kalolimnos islands to Starboard,
- 10. Çatalada Island FINISH.
- 11.2. While navigating under sail through the Istanbul (Bosporus) and Dardanelles Straits, it should be noted that vessels in transit have priority; and warnings and instructions given by the Race Committee and the Maritime Traffic Control Stations should be adhered to.
- 11.3. (DP) Yachts shall adhere to the traffic separation scheme while navigating the Dardanelles Straits(APPENDIX A) Dardanelle Straits Mid-Point Coordinates and Areas Prohibited for Navigation)
- 11.4. Yachts shall stay away from natural obstructions and shallow waters within the race course.
- 11.5. It is prohibited to navigate between the Dardanelles "1915 Canakkale Koprusu/ Bridge" pillars and the mainland.

#### 12. [NP] DISTANCE

12.1. **İstanbul – Turgutreis** approximately 390 nautical miles.

#### 13. [NP] STARTING LINE

13.1. The starting line is formed between an orange flag on the Committee Vessel / Coastguard Vessel moored in Çengelköy / Istanbul Straits and the Turkish flag flown on the southerly tip of Suada. Start direction is general southwest.

#### 14. [NP] FINISH LINE

14.1. The finish line is formed between a blue flag on the Turkish Navy Ship that displays the RC flag and the finish mark placed in the general north direction from the Turkish Navy Ship.

#### 15. [NP] TIME LIMIT

15.1. **FOR ALL CLASSES,** The time limit is 18<sup>th</sup> of July 2023 1200hrs. (local)

#### 16. PENALTIES

- 16.1. A yacht that has broken any of the RRS Section 2 rules or Rule 31 (touching the mark) shall take a One-Turn Penalty. But if the Section 2 rule has been broken within the zone of a mark other than the starting mark, the yacht shall take a Two-Turn Penalty. (**This changes RRS 44.1**).
- 16.2. A yacht that breaches the line described by the Straits Mid-Point Coordinates during the Dardanelles Straits navigation and is clearly deriving a benefit from this situation shall incur a penalty as follows:
- 16.2.(a). At first breach: Time penalty of **2%** (Increasing the yacht's elapsed time (ET) by 2%) or Scoring penalty of two **(2) places**; the higher of these penalties shall be applied.
- 16.2.(b). At the second breach: Time penalty of a **total 4%** (Increasing the yacht's elapsed time (ET) by 4%) or Scoring penalty of **total three (3) places**; the higher of these penalties shall be applied.
- 16.2.(c). At third breach, the yacht shall be penalized with the DSQ score.

#### 17. [NP] [DP] RACE CATEGORY AND SAFETY

- 17.1. The yachts shall have a life raft (specified within the Notice of Race for the TORC 2023 Offshore Trophy, storm jib and all the equipment required for OSR Category 3 at all times during the race.
- 17.2. Yachts shall approach the Race Committee Vessel on the vessel's starboard side at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to the warning signal and show their life raft, storm jib, and all crew shall be wearing life jackets and receive confirmation from the Committee Vessel.

- 17.3. The Race Committee may issue penalties for breach of safety regulations, obstruction of required checks in any way or for any other irregularities or breaches that the Committee observes.
- 17.4. All competing yachts shall be deemed to have complied with the Safety Equipment and other requirements specified Offshore Special Regulations for the race category. Responsibility for compliance rests solely with the Person in Charge of the yacht.
- 17.5. All safety equipment shall function properly and be regularly checked, cleaned, and serviced. If the safety equipment has an expiry date, it will not have exceeded its expiry date whilst racing.
- 17.6. All yachts need to have a suitable anchor with a suitable combination of chain and rope onboard whilst racing. The anchor shall not be bow-mounted and must be stored in a suitable place in the anchor locker or within the yacht.

#### 18. [NP][DP] VHF COMMUNICATION

- 18.1. It is mandatory to have a VHF marine radio and to keep it on during the race. All yachts need to listen on VHF Channel 73, Channel 16 and during the Dardanelles crossing, the relevant Sector Channels unless otherwise instructed.
- 18.2. Except in an emergency, a yacht shall not make radio transmissions while racing.
- 18.3. Any WhatsApp communications for the purpose of fast communication between the Organising Authority or the Race Committee and the Persons in Charge of racing yachts will not be deemed to be outside help.

#### 19. [NP] [DP] DECLARATIONS

- 19.1. [DP] **FINISH DECLARATION** After finishing, every yacht is required to fully complete and submit to the Race Committee a Finish Declaration Form signed by the Person in Charge no later than the expiry of the protest time limit.
- 19.2. Person In Charge of a retiring yacht must promptly inform the Race Committee via VHF Channel 73 and must submit a written declaration as soon as possible.
- 19.3. When a yacht uses her engine to avoid collision, for rescue, or in a grave emergency, or uses its engine to charge its batteries without the turning the propeller or the shaft and continues to race, this needs to be declared in detail to the Race Committee no later than the expiry of the protest time limit.
- 19.4. Person In Charge of a yacht that has taken a Turn Penalty must submit their declaration forms to the Race Committee within the protest time limit via electronically or written. Yachts that fail to do so shall be deemed not having taken their Turn Penalties.

#### 20. [DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS, DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

20.1. Without prior written permission of the Race or the Technical Committee, all yachts shall be afloat between the first race day and the protest time limit. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around any participating yacht during this time period.

#### 21. PRIZES

21.1. Turkish Naval Forces Cup
21.2. Division Prizes
21.3. Honour of Line
21.4. Best corrected time for IRC divisions
21.5. To top three of each division,
21.6. First Finish of the entire fleet

#### 22. RESPONSIBILITY

- 22.1. Offshore yacht racing can be dangerous. Competitors and support teams participate in the race entirely at their own risk. RRS 3, Decision to Race is "The responsibility for a yacht's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 22.2. The Organising Authority, members of the International Jury, Race and International Jurys and all parties involved in the race organisation will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.
- 22.3. By participating in this race, which is governed by this Notice of Race, Notice of Race for the TORC 2023 Offshore Trophy and Instructions, all competitors, yacht owners and Persons in Charge:
- 22.3.(a). Accept that the races will be governed by these rules,
- 22.3.(b). Accept any penalties and other provisions of the race,
- 22.3.(c). While reserving their right to appeal, accept that any event may have a final verdict within the rules,
- 22.3.(d). That they will not sue in any court with regards to any such action or decision.

#### 23. TURKISH PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION LAW (TPDRL)

- 23.1. TORC will use the personal data provided by competitors only for the purposes of race organisation management in compliance with the Turkish Personal Data Protection Law (TPDRL). This data will be stored in compliance with TPDRL, will not be shared with any third parties or used for marketing purposes, or for any purpose other than for communicating information about this and subsequent events.
- 23.2. All competitors whose names are on the crew lists submitted by the yacht owner, helmsman or Person in Charge are assumed to have consented to this provision.

#### 24. CHOICE OF LAW AND JURISDICTION

24.1. This Notice of Race shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of Turkiye and each party agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of Turkiye.

#### 25. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

25.1. By participating, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use, show and publish, from time to time and at their discretion, any video or photograph or other material of the event in which the competitor participates without any compensation.

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**RACE ORGANISING AUTHORITY** 

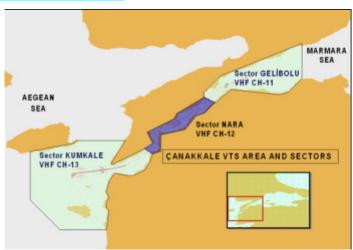


**APPENDIX A:**MID-POINT COORDINATES (WP) FOR THE DARDANELLES STRAITS

1:	40° 25′,942 N	026° 45′.221 E
2:	40° 23′.741 N	026° 41′.191 E
3:	40° 20′,382 N	026° 38′.193 E
4:	40° 13′,341 N	026° 27′,770 E
5:	40° 12′,051 N	026° 23′,470 E
6:	40° 11′,571 N	026° 22′,920 E
7:	40° 08′.941 N	026° 23′.371 E
8:	40° 08′.091 N	026° 23′.061 E
10:	40° 02′.531 N	026° 15′.420 E
11:	40° 01′.220 N	026° 11′.380 E
12:	40° 00′.140 N	025° 59′.669 E
13:	39° 58′.740 N	025° 57′.670 E
The GPS coordinates for the mid-point line are listed above.		

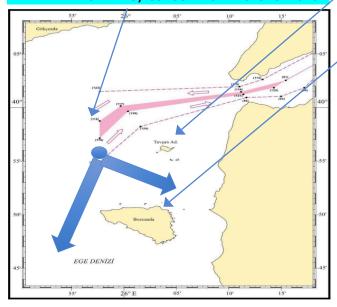
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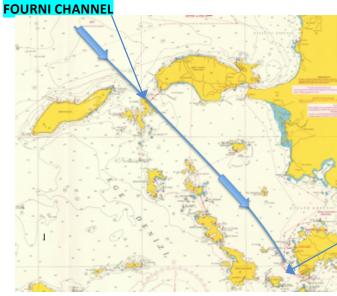
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## **BOZCAADA STARBOARD OR PORT**

Nisos PSARA 38° 34'.366 N

(STARBOARD OR PORT)



FINISH ( CATALADA) 37° 0'.679 N 027° 13'.824 E