



Turkiye Offshore Racing Sports Club
TORC-AKPA Chemicals
“TURKISH NAVAL FORCES CUP”
54th EDITION
INTERNATIONAL OFFSHORE YACHT RACE
MONDAY, 14 JULY 2025

First Warning Signal 1600hrs.(local)

“one race

two straits, Istanbul & Çanakkale
three seas Marmara, Ege & Akdeniz”





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Dear Fellow Sailors,

We invite you to Turkiye, the most beautiful sailing destination in the world, where we will cross two straits and three seas in a single race.

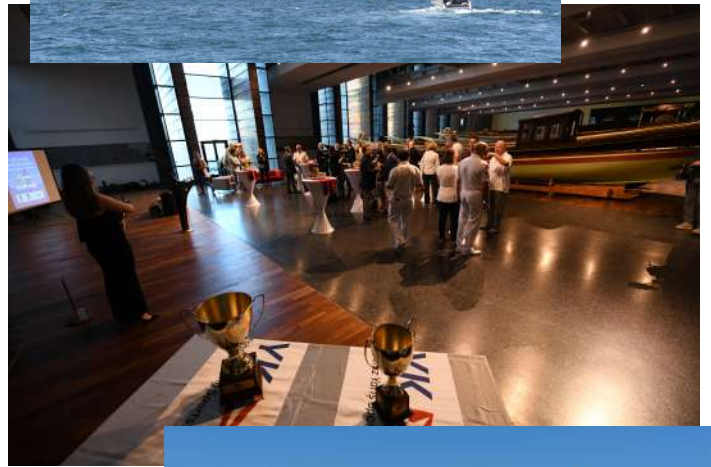


“A bridge between two continents and you can sail from Asia to Europe in a short time in Istanbul.”



Istanbul has been the cradle of civilization for thousands of years: Many legends have been written about the Istanbul Bogazi and the Canakkale Bogazi throughout history. Gods have fought in the Aegean Sea, but at the same time these waters have nourished the people around them with their unique treasure. Sailing on these waters has been practiced since ancient times.

On 10 July 2025, in Istanbul, where two continents meet, we will visit the historic Beşiktaş Naval Museum, the largest maritime museum in Europe, where both the Opening Launch and the Captains' Meeting will take place. On 12 July, we will conclude our preparations with a wonderful mini offshore race around the Prince Islands.



Throughout the race we will sail in Marmara, Aegean and Mediterranean waters and finally reach Göcek, the most beautiful place in our country.

Afterwards, a wonderful award ceremony and night-long entertainment await us.



Let's sail together in this unique challenge of 555 nautical miles over four days and cross two straits and three seas with our sails during a single race.

As Atatürk, the founder of our Republic, stated, "Peace at Home, Peace in the World", let us sail for peace.

**Vedat Tezman
Commodore
Turkiye Offshore Racing Club**



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Notice of Race **14 - 18 JULY 2025**

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Race 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 INFORMATION

- [SP] [DP] Denotes a rule for which the Race Committee or Technical Committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing (this changes RRS A5).
 - [NP] Denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat and for which the International Jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 63.1.
 - *Online Notice Board is available at.* <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/10440/event>
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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 İstanbul
 - During the Race: Göcek Yacht Club



Official Notice Board

DEFINITIONS

Class	The term Class includes IRC for monohulls and AMH for multihulls.
Closing Date	Is the date after which a late entry fee may be charged.
Documents Page	Can be found at: https://www.tayk.org.tr
Rating Deadline	Is the latest date that Rating (IRC or AMH) or Class Certificate shall be issued to a boat.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. RRS 90.3(e) shall apply.
- 1.3. The latest version of the following rules will also apply:
 - 1.3.(a). The WS Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS)
 - 1.3.(b). The WS Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3. When details of Special Regulations cannot be met the OA may accept an alternative.
 - 1.3.(c). IRC Rules, Parts A, B, C.
 - 1.3.(d). AMH Rules for multihulls
 - 1.3.(e). (DP) WS Appendix TS (Traffic Separations Schemes (TSS), applies to all Canakkale Strait WP. (See Appendix A)
 - 1.3.(f). RRS Appendix WP.
- 1.4. The rules of RRS Part 2 will be replaced with the right-of-way rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at sea between sunset and sunrise from 14 to 18 July 2025.
- 1.5. 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 63.5(c).
- 1.6. YB Tracking System shall be used in the race.
- 1.7. The official language of the event will be English. If there is a conflict between any translated texts, the version written in English shall prevail. This changes 63.5(c).
- 1.8. No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.9. Under World Sailing Development Rule DR21-01, change definition *Start* as follows:
Start: A boat starts when her hull has been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line, and having complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either (a) at or after her starting signal, or (b) during the last minute before her starting signal.
When a boat starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition *Start*, she may return to the pre-start side of the line to comply with item (a) of the definition of *Start*. If she does not, the starting penalty shall be 1% of her elapsed time added to it or at least 2 places, whichever is the greater.
- 1.10. Automatic and wind-vane devices for steering are permitted. (This changes RRS 52 and amends IRC Rule15)
- 1.11. Water Ballast.
 - 1.11.(a). RRS 51 does not apply to water ballast system declared on the IRC Certificate. This changes RRS 51
 - 1.11.(b). Other than a genuine manual galley or marine toilet pump and the scoop valves or pump that are part of a certified/rated water ballast system or engine intake, no other scoop valves or pumps shall be connected in any way or form capable of taking onboard seawater.
- 1.12. The nationality of a yacht shall be determined by the port registration of the country in which it is registered.

2. INTERNATIONAL JURY

- 2.1. An international jury will be appointed for this race as per RRS Appendix N. Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.3(a).

3. RACE FORMAT

- 3.1. The race is planned as a single race over multiple day.

4. [NP] ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. The race is open to seaworthy boats which comply with the rules and regulations described in the NoR and which are manned by an adequate number of experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather.
- 4.2. All yachts must comply with the following requirements:
 - 4.2.(a). LH/LOA greater than or equal to eight (8) meters with,
 - 4.2.(b). A working inboard engine with sufficient fuel,
 - 4.2.(c). A valid **2025, IRC** certificate for monohulls and **AMH** certificate for multihulls,
 - 4.2.(d). Having suitable equipment for the race and safety rules,
 - 4.2.(e). A life raft with capacity to hold the number of crew on board and shall be within its service period.
- 4.3. At least two (2) members of crew must have WS Offshore Personal Survival or TORC Sea Survival certificates and at least two (2) members of crew must have first aid certificates.
- 4.4. The race is open to all eligible yachts and sailors who comply with the World Sailing Eligibility Code.
- 4.5. All those registered are deemed to have accepted all the rules stated in the Notice of Race.

5. **CLASSES**

- 5.1. This race is open for IRC class for monohulls and AMH class for multihulls only.
- 5.2. Yachts shall hold valid IRC or AMH rating certificate. For revalidate their certificate or modification, the latest application Rating Deadline is 05 July 2025, 1200 (local) hrs.
- 5.3. The TCC value on the IRC certificate will be used. The TCC (No_Spinnaker) value will not be used.
- 5.4. The owner or skipper of the yacht shall be declared for using of "Primary" or "Secondary" IRC certificate during the registration. Otherwise, primary certificate shall be used.

6. **[NP] DIVISIONS and WARNING SIGNAL PENNANTS**

- Division/Warning Signal Pennants will be as follows;
 - IRC0 : TCC value 1.125 and above PINK Pennant
 - IRC1 : TCC value between 1.050 and 1.124 YELLOW Pennant
 - IRC2 : TCC value between 1.000 and 1.049 GREEN Pennant
 - IRC3 : TCC value between 0.965 and 0.999 BLUE Pennant
 - IRC4 : TCC value 0.964 and below ORANGE Pennant
- 6.1. AMH : Multihull class WHITE pennant
 - 6.2. (NP) Boats shall compete in the divisions specified and declared by the OC and may not request to race in another division or protest their class divisions.
 - 6.3. (DP)Boats shall display their class/division pennants on their backstay or if they do not have a backstay, it will be displayed at a visible position aft of the boat, from their arrival to the starting area until they finish the race.

7. **ENTRY**

- 7.1. Eligible yachts may enter by duly completing the Online Entry Form located <https://form.jotform.com/233483405915963> latest by **05 July 2025 1700 (local) hrs.**

8. **ENTRY FEES**

- 8.1. Standard Entry fees for each yacht EUR400 for TAYK Members / EUR450 for non-members
- 8.2. For social events for each yacht;
 - 8.2.(a). IRC 0 – IRC 1 - IRC 2 & AMH EUR350 for TAYK members / EUR400 for non-members
 - 8.2.(b). IRC 3 and IRC 4 EUR250 for TAYK members / EUR300 for non-members
- 8.3. YB Tracking device and EUR150 (and EUR500 for deposit.)
- 8.4. Entries after the Closing Date and at least 48 hours before the scheduled start, may be accepted on payment of an additional sum of half the standard entry fee. Requests for entries after the closing date shall be made in writing to tayk@tayk.org.tr
- 8.5. **Bank Account Details as follows:**
- 8.6. **Türkiye Açıkdeniz Yarış Spor Kulübü, GARANTİ BANKASI İstanbul Nispetiye Şubesi**
IBAN: TR47 0006 2000 7350 0009 0692 89 / Swift Code: TGBATRIS735

9. **CREW LIMITATION**

- 9.1. All Turkish citizen competitors shall have a TSF license valid for 2025.
- 9.2. 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.**
- 9.3. 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).
- 9.4. 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.
- 9.5. IRC Rule 22.4.2 is deleted and replaced with: «the maximum number of crew on board shall be the Crew Number printed on her certificate. There is no weight limit». All crew members must be above the age of 18. Competitors below the age of eighteen (2005 and above) shall not be permitted in the race.
- 9.6. Members of the Press whose presence aboard is declared to the OC are not within these crew number limits.

10. **NUMBER OF RACES**

- 10.1. One (1) offshore race is scheduled.

11. EVENT PROGRAMME

- 11.1. Online Pre-registration until 05 July 2025 1200hrs.
11.2. Registration 10 to 13 July 2025 from 1000 to 1700hrs.
11.3. Check-in & inspection: 10 to 13 July 2025, IRC/AMH & OSR Safety equipment inspection.
11.4. Press Launch & Opening Ceremony and Skipper Briefing will be held on 10 July 2025 at 2000 hrs. (local) at **Beşiktaş Naval Museum**
11.5. Tracking Beacon Instalation 13 July 2025, YB Tracking devices installation.
11.6. First Warning Signal: **MONDAY, 14 July 2025 at 1600hrs. (local)**
11.7. Race Time Limit **FRIDAY, 18 July 2025 at 1200hrs. (local)**
11.8. Prize Giving Ceremony: FRIDAY, 18 July 2025 at 2000hrs. (local) hrs at the Göcek Dmarin Marina.

12. START

- 12.1. The race will be started by using RRS 26, (five minutes)
12.2. All IRC & AMH divisions shall start at the same time. The signal flag will be the TAYK/TORC pennant.

13. RACECOURSE

13.1. FOR ALL IRC & AMH Divisions.

- İSTANBUL, **START**
 - HEYBELIADA, GATE
 - ÇANAKKALE, Subject to Turkish VTS Traffic Separation (TSS)
 - MİDİLLİ / LESVOS, (to port)
 - SAKIZ ADASI / CHIOS ISLAND, (to port)
 - İKARIA ADASI / IKARIA ISLAND, (to port)
 - RODOS ADASI / RHODES ISLAND (starboard or port)
 - FETHİYE KÖFREZİ, GOCEK **FINISH**
- 13.2. While navigating under sail through the Istanbul (Bosporus) and Çanakkale (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 (VTS) should be adhered to.
- 13.3. (DP) Yachts shall adhere to the traffic separation scheme while navigating the Canakkale Bogazi (Straits) **(APPENDIX A)** Çanakkale Straits Mid-Point Coordinates and Areas Prohibited for Navigation.
- 13.4. (DP) It is prohibited to navigate between the Canakkale Bogazi **"1915 Canakkale Koprusu/ Bridge"** pillars and the mainland.

14. [NP] DISTANCE & TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. **İstanbul – Göcek** approximately 555 nautical miles.
14.2. Total time limit is 92hours. (18 July 2025 : 1200hrs. local)

15. PENALTIES

- 15.1. A yacht that has broken any of the RRS Part 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).**
- 15.2. **[SP] [DP]Traffic Separations Schemes TSS Penalties.**
- 15.2.(a). (SP) If a boat enters the TSS, the Race Committee will impose a +1 place penalty without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 and A5.1
- 15.2.(b). (DP) If a boat enters the TSS area more than once or spends a substantial period of time in the TSS, or appears to have gained an advantage through sailing within the TSS, the Race Committee will protest the boat. The International Jury may, at their discretion, impose an additional penalty which may be less than disqualification.

16. [NP] [DP] RACE CATEGORY AND SAFETY

- 16.1. The yachts shall have a life raft (specified within the NoR 4.1.(e), storm jib and all the equipment required for OSR Category 3 at all times during the race.
- 16.2. 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.
- 16.3. The Race Committee may penalise a yacht for breach of safety regulations, obstruction of required checks in any way or for any other irregularities or breaches that the Committee observes.
- 16.4. 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.
- 16.5. 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.
- 16.6. All yachts need to have a suitable anchor with a suitable combination of chain and rope onboard whilst racing. The anchor shall not be carried on the stemhead and must be stowed in a suitable place in the anchor locker or within the yacht.

- 16.7. Race or Technical Committee reserves the right to conduct equipment inspection and event measurement without prior notice and without a lodged protest before the start of the race or after finishing.
- 16.8. All boats shall have on board navigational charts showing the appropriate areas that are not solely electronic.
- 16.9. A combined Lifejacket and Harness shall be worn when on deck: Between the hours of sunset and sunrise
- When alone on deck
 - When reefed.
 - When the true wind speed is 25 knots or above
 - When the visibility is less than 1 nautical mile.

17. BERTHING

- 17.1. Participating yachts may moor in;
- 17.1.(a). "Setur Kalamış&Fenerbahçe Marina" from 10 July 2025 to start,
- 17.1.(b). "D-Marin Göcek Marina", from after her finishes to 19 July 2025 at 1000 (local) hrs. Otherwise D-Marine Marina may charge additional mooring fee.
- 17.2. Each yacht owner / lessee is responsible for ensuring the safety of his/her yacht and taking the yacht to a secure marina or responsibility of the participants and marinas accept no responsibility.
- 17.3. Both marinas must be supplied with the following documents on arrival of the yachts
- 17.3.(a). Port Registration deed or Custom Yacht Registration Certificate or Certificate of tonnage.
- 17.3.(b). Permit Range (Transit Log)
- 17.3.(c). Insurance Policy

18. PRIZES

- 18.1. **Turkish Naval Forces Cup** :
- 18.1.(a). Best corrected time for IRC class (endorsed IRC certificate required)
- 18.2. Best corrected time for Multihull class.
- 18.3. Division Prizes : To top three of each division,
- 18.4. Line Honour : First Finish of the entire fleet

19. RESPONSIBILITY

- 19.1. 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".
- 19.2. The Organising Authority, member of the Protest, Race Committees 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.
- 19.3. By participating in this race, which is governed by this Notice of Race, CAKABEY Offshore Trophy and Instructions, all competitors, yacht owners and Persons in Charge:
- 19.3.(a). Accept that the races will be governed by these rules,
- 19.3.(b). Accept any penalties and other provisions of the race,
- 19.3.(c). While reserving their right to appeal, accept that any event may have a final verdict within the rules,
- 19.3.(d). That they will not sue in any court with regards to any such action or decision.

20. TURKISH PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION LAW (TPDRL)

- 20.1. 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.
- 20.2. 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.

21. CHOICE OF LAW AND JURISDICTION

- 21.1. 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.

22. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 22.1. 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

Regarding to NoR 1.3.(e)

MID-POINT COORDINATES (WP) FOR THE DARDANELLES STRAITS

1:	40° 25',940 N	026° 45'.130 E
2:	40° 23'.740 N	026° 41'.190 E
3:	40° 20',260 N	026° 37'.730 E
4:	40° 13',380 N	026° 27',730 E
5:	40° 12',100 N	026° 23',440 E
6:	40° 11',585 N	026° 22',845 E
7:	40° 08'.960 N	026° 23'.270 E
8:	40° 08'.070 N	026° 22'.960 E
9:	40° 04'.240 N	026° 18'.450 E
10:	40° 02'.590 N	026° 15'.250 E
11:	40° 01'.320 N	026° 09'.350 E
12:	40° 00'.310 N	026° 00'.190 E
13:	39° 58'.850 N	025° 57'.680 E
The GPS coordinates for the mid-point (WP) line are listed above for WS TSS		



PRIZE GIVING AND CLOSING CEREMONY AT DMARIN GOCEK EVENT AREA



Links;

Online Pre-Registration

<https://form.jotform.com/233483405915963>

Turkish Offshore Racing Sports Club

<https://www.tayk.org.tr>

Gocek Yacht Club

<https://www.gocekyachtclub.org/tr/>

Beşiktaş Naval Museum

<https://www.turkishmuseums.com/museum/detail/22321-istanbul-naval-museum/22321/4>

Setur Kalamış Marina

<https://www.seturmarinas.com/>

Dmarin Göcek Marina

<https://www.d-marin.com/tr/marinalar/gocek/kapasite-ve-hizmetle/>



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