

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The **EurILCA Masters Cup - XVIII Trofeu Calella de Palafrugell - Memorial Pitus Jiménez**, will be held from the **16th to 19th of April 2026** in Calella de Palafrugell Bay waters (Girona SPAIN), organized by the Club Vela Calella by delegation of the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation, in association with the Spanish ILCA class association.

It is also part of the **2026 EurILCA MASTERS SERIES (EMS)** coordinated by the European Region of the International ILCA Class Association (EurILCA).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the “Rules” according to EMS 2026 Notice of Race and its Addendum.
- 1.2. RRS Appendix T – Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.3. Appendix “P” will apply with the changes as posted on the 2026 EurILCA Masters Series Notice of Race.
- 1.4. In all rules governing this regatta, **(NP)** denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat and the International Jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2(a).
- 1.5. **(DP)** Boats shall comply with the Class Rules as posted on the ILCA website.
- 1.6. ILCA class rule 7 (a) is restricted as follows “only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the entry form” No substitution of helm is permitted.
- 1.7. Rule 40.1 shall apply at all times on the water.
- 1.8. Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.5(c)2.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the **Official Notice Board (ONB)** located at the event web site www.clubvelacalella.cat/onb. (This is a *free-paper event* and no physical paper ONB will be used).
- 2.2. **(DP)** While racing from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.


3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS


Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least one hour before the first warning signal of the day it will take effect, except for any change to the schedule of the races which will be posted by 20:00 hrs on the day before the change will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE AND OTHER SIGNALS


- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Official Signal Mast (OSM) located next to the slipways. When a flag is hoisted with a starting group, category or class flag, this signal will affect only this starting group, category or class.

4.2. (NP, DP) In addition to the Race Signals described in the RRS, the following signals will be used:

4.2.1 Flag “D” : “A boat shall not leave the boats park until this flag is displayed ashore with one sound signal. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after this flag is displayed or not before the schedule time, whichever is later.”

4.2.2. Flag “AP”  displayed ashore, with two sound signals means: “The race is postponed. The first warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP flag is lowered with one sound signal or the schedule time whichever is later”. This changes AP Race Signals.

If this flag is displayed together with flag “D” as described in SI 4.2.1, boats are allowed to go afloat for training or sailing, although the races are postponed; both meanings are compatible.

4.2.3. Flag “L”  displayed ashore over a numeral pennant means: notice/s published, the numeral indicates the number of the last notice published.

4.2.4. Flag “G”  (safety procedure):

1) When flag “G” is displayed **ASHORE** it means “All fleets will sail the course LR or LG described at Appendix I, **ONE BY ONE** according to the following procedure”:

After the “G” flag has been displayed, the identification flag described at SI 10 will be following displayed ashore with one sound signal, informing that these fleet is allowed to go afloat. The other fleet/s shall stay ashore. The warning signal will be made not before 30 minutes after this class flag was displayed. Hereunder the remaining fleet/s will be launched on the same way.

2) When flag “G” is displayed **FROM A COMMITTEE VESSEL AFLOAT** it means: “For safety reasons all boats shall return to the boats park immediately”.

5. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [DP]

Any boat or its equipment may be checked for compliance with the Class Rules and Sailing Instructions at any time throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee, Technical Committee or Jury. On the water, a boat may be required by a technical inspector to proceed immediately to a place determined by the technical committee for measurement checks.

6. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT [DP]

6.1. In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the Technical Committee. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the Technical Committee, International Jury or Race Committee. The written permission of the Technical Committee shall be requested at the first reasonable opportunity.

6.2. Boats will be required to carry on board positioning equipment provided by the organisation. Rules and procedures for the use and installation of the equipment on board will be specified in **Appendix V** of these Sailing Instructions, which will be available before the start of the races, and published separate from this document. No redress shall be given to a boat based on a claim involving this positioning equipment or the information it may provide through the display systems associated with it. This changes RRS 61.2.

7. RACING FORMAT

- 7.1. The regatta will consist of an opening series. Up to nine (9) fleet races will be sailed.
- 7.2. A minimum of 1 completed race is required to constitute the regatta.
- 7.3. Three (3) races are scheduled per day, back-to-back.
- 7.4. There will be separate rankings for each category according to the Notice of Race. Men and Women of the same category will race together.

7.5 **When fleet size requires splitting the fleet into groups:**

Participants will be split into groups according to EMS NoR and composed by one or more age categories. This situation will be announced by the Official Notice Board during the registration day with the grouping assignments. Assignment of groups will be the same for all days.

8. SCHEDULE OF RACES

8.1. Programme:

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
Thursday, 16 th April	From 10 to 19 h. 13:00 h.	Registration Practice Race warning signal
Friday, 17 th April	12:00 h.	Races (3)
Saturday, 18 th April	12:00 h. 20:30 h. (TBC)	Races (3) Regatta dinner
Sunday, 19 th April	11:00 h. 16:30 h. (TBC)	Races (3) Prize giving

8.2 One practice race is programmed according to SI 8.1., and will be sailed as follows:

1st Start: ILCA 7 (all categories, NO groups)

2nd Start: ILCA 6 + ILCA 4 (all categories, NO groups)




No results will be posted. Only finishing order and starting penalties will be available.

9. SCORING





- 9.1. Overall results will be posted by classes (ILCA7, ILCA6 and ILCA4). The results for each age category will be taken from the class overall results, without recalculation; but they only will be posted at the end of the event.
- 9.2. When a fleet has been split into groups based on age category and more than one age category race together, the results will be posted by groups. The results for each age category will be taken from the group overall results, without recalculation; but they only will be posted at the end of the event.
- 9.3. In case of groups, RRS A5.2 is changed so that the scores are based on the number of boats assigned to each age group.
- 9.4. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 9.5. To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete an electronic scoring enquiry form available at the Race Office. A scoring enquiry lodged after the time established in RRS 61.2(b) will not be ground to request for redress. (This changes RRS 61.1(a)).

10. CLASS / GROUP FLAGS IDENTIFICATION

10.1. The Class flags will be:

- ILCA 7: ILCA Class insignia on white background 
- ILCA 6: ILCA Class insignia on green background 
- ILCA 4: ILCA Class insignia on yellow background 

In case of groups, the groups flags will be:

- Group 1: ILCA Class insignia on yellow background 
- Group 2: ILCA Class insignia on blue background 
- Group 3: ILCA Class insignia on red background 
- Group 4: ILCA Class insignia on green background 

10.2. **(NP, DP)** Each boat in the following categories shall display a coloured sleeve at the base of the mast, between the vang fitting and the boom, corresponding to the colour of the age category in which the competitor is sailing, as follows (each competitor should re-use the coloured race sleeve from a previous event or bring his own-coloured sleeve):

- Apprentices: Green
- Masters: Red
- Grand Masters: Blue
- Great Grand Masters: Yellow
- Legend: White (or no band)

10.3 **(NP, DP)** Women participant sails shall carry a red rhombus above the top batten pocket on both sides, according to the class rules.

11. COURSE AREA

The course area is located in Calella Bay and there will be only one area (see **Appendix IV**).

12. THE COURSE

12.1. Trapezoid courses will be used with inner and outer loops. Alternative courses LR/LG (windward-leeward) may be sailed. **Appendix I** show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

12.2. The length of the course will be set for a target time of 40 to 50 minutes depending on the wind conditions. Failure to meet the target will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS rule 61.4(b)(1).

12.3 The gate may be replaced by a single mark, in this case, the remaining mark shall be left on port.

13. MARKS

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| Windward Course Marks: | Marks 1 and 2 | Red cylinders |
| Leeward Course Marks (gates): | Marks 3 and 4 | Red cones |
| Starting Marks: | Race Committee vessel and Orange cylinder | |
| Course Changing Marks: | Yellow cylinders | |
| Finishing Marks: | Race Committee vessel and buoy with staff displaying a blue flag | |

14. THE START

- 14.1. The starting line will be set between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel on the starboard end of the line and the starting mark on the port end.
- 14.2. The warning signal for the next fleet or race will be given as soon as practicable after the previous start or after finishing the previous race.
- 14.3. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least **two** (2) minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 14.4. **(NP, DP)** Boats whose warning signal has not been displayed shall keep clear of the starting area from the warning signal until one minute after the starting signal of all preceding fleet starts. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 100 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- 14.5. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

15. ABANDONING A RACE

The Race Committee may abandon a race because of a storm, a major wind shifts, irregular winds or when the wind speed drops (This changes RRS 32.1).

16. THE FINISH

Finishing line will be between staffs displaying a blue flag on the starting marks.

17. TIME LIMIT

- 17.1. Boats failing to finish within **15** minutes (finish window) after the first boat of each class/fleet “sail the course” will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 Appendix A.4, A.5.1 and A5.2.
- 17.2. Time limits for the first boat are as follows: Mark 1, **20** minutes / Racecourse, **70** minutes.
If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. A lack of accuracy on Mark 1 time limit will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS rule 61.4(b)(1).

18. HEARING REQUEST

- 18.1. Electronic hearing request forms are available only at the Race Office. Protest and requests for redress or reopening shall be issued at the Race Office within the appropriate time limit. The *Protest Time Limit* for a protest about an incident observed in the racing area is one (1) hour after the last boat in a fleet has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 18.2. The protest time limit will be posted on the ONB and may be different for each class / group.
- 18.3. The schedule of hearings will be posted not later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit. Protests will be heard in the International Jury room at the Calella Sailing Club.
- 18.4. A list of boats that, under SI 1.3, have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 18.5. The Royal Spanish Sailing Federation has approved that the decisions of the International Jury are final as provided in RRS 70.3(a).

19. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories to the top 3 boats, if there are at least 5 participants each and according to ILCA award.

ILCA7 Fleet:	Apprentice, Master, Grand Master and Great Grand Master
ILCA6 Fleet:	Apprentice, Master, Grand Master, Great Grand Master, Legend and Women
ILCA4 Fleet:	Top 3 Open

20. SAFETY (DP, NP)

- 20.1 Except in emergency, boats shall only come ashore at Port Bo or Calau beaches (see **Appendix II**).
- 20.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or the Race Office as soon as possible.
- 20.3. Boats arriving for any reason at a point ashore other than Port Bo and Calau beaches shall report immediately by telephone to the Race Office (+34 972 614 619).
- 20.4. During registration each competitor will receive an identification that shall be fixed to their respective boat trolleys (dolly) handle, in such a way that the identification is easily seen. This identification shall be returned to the Race Office after the last race of the event.
- 20.5. The Race Committee, the Regatta Coordination Centre, the Race Office and the Safety Boats will use VHF channel 72 for their communications.
- 20.6. All boats while not racing shall only be located at the boat's parking area. In case of a participant decides to leave, shall inform immediately to the Race Office.
- 20.7 Red & black marks mean: "KEEP CLEAR, SHALLOW DEPTH UNDER THIS MARK". ▲
- 20.8 **Appendix III** shows special safety marks regulation.
- 20.9 Boats failing to obey this Sailing Instruction can be required to pay the expenses of search and rescue operations and should be reported to the Maritime Spanish Authorities.

21. SUNSET TIMES (local time)

Thursday 16th: 20.29 hrs / Saturday 17th: 20.30 hrs / Friday 18th: 20.31 hrs / Sunday 19th: 20.32 hrs.

22. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility.

The Organizing Committee or any part involved with the organization of the event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the races covered by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

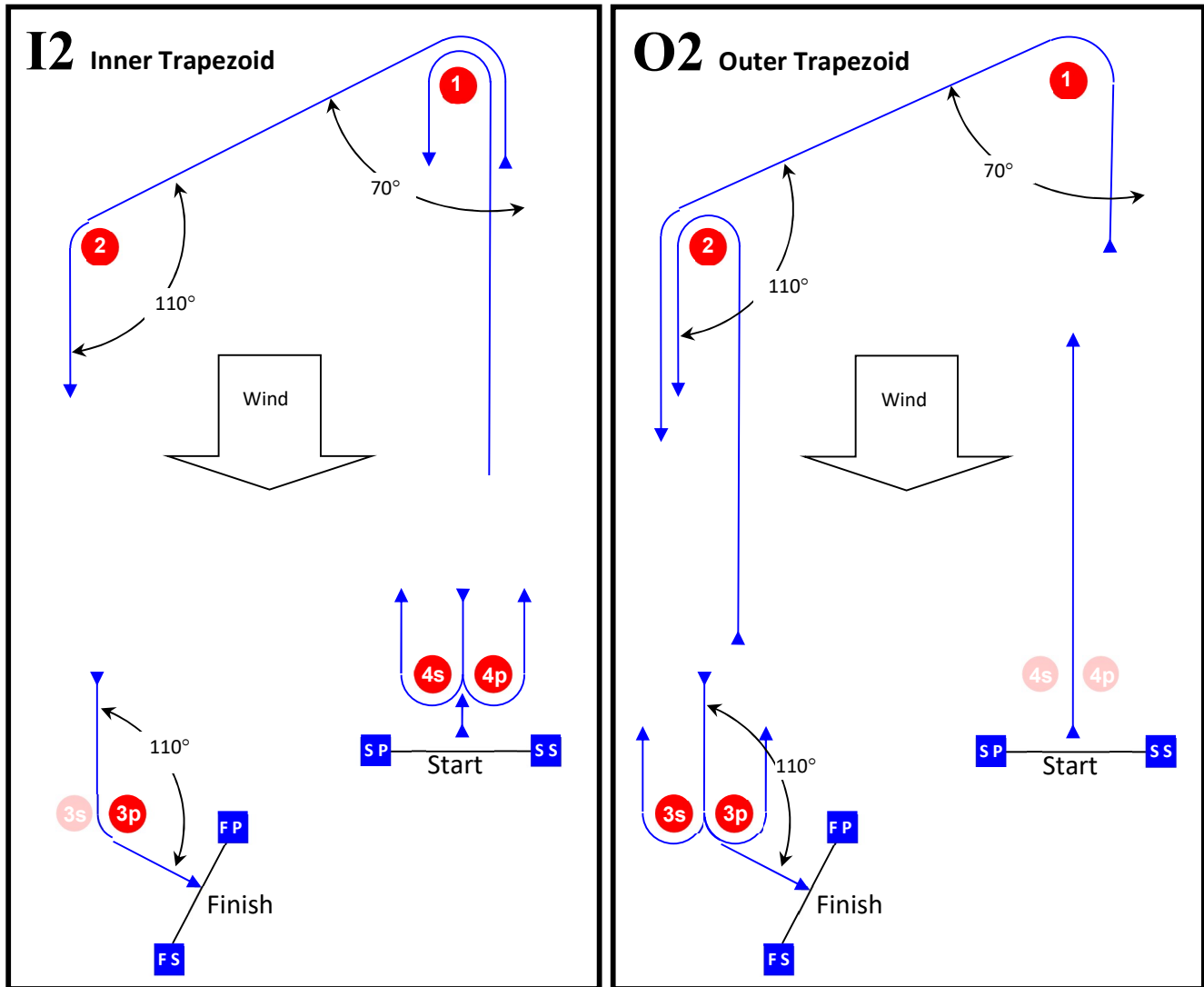
Attention is drawn to the RRS Fundamental Rule 3 – Decision to Race, which states:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

23. IDENTIFICATION OF RACE MANAGEMENT VESSELS

- 23.1. Race Committee and rescue vessels will display a white flag.
- 23.2. International Jury vessels will display a white flag with "JURY" or "IJ" written in blue or black.
- 23.3. Technical Committee vessels will display a white flag with "M" written in black.

APPENDIX I: Courses and Marks



COURSE "I2": Start, 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 2 (port), 3p (port) and finish

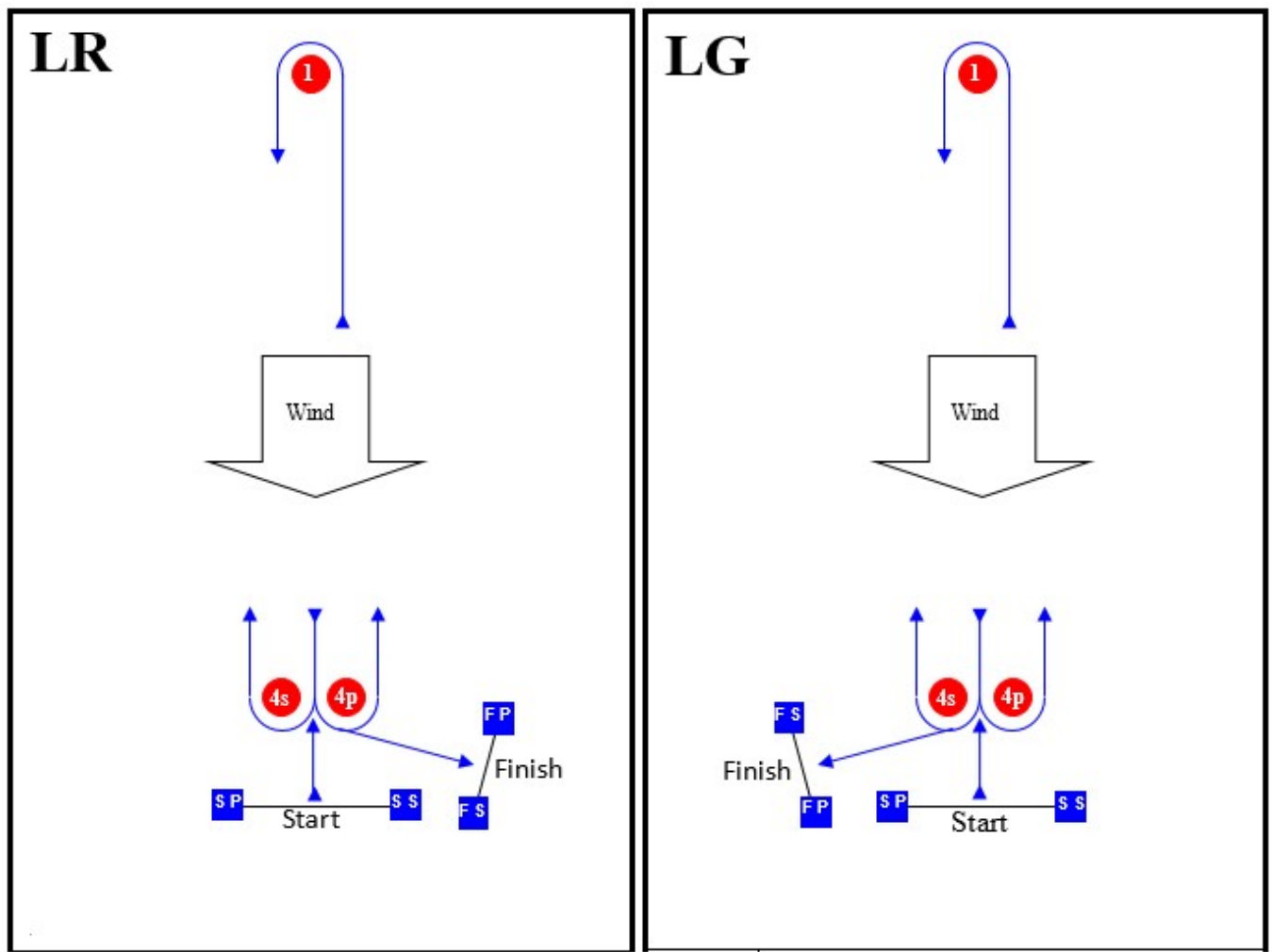
COURSE "O2": Start, 1 (port), 2 (port), 3s/3p (gate*), 2 (port), 3p (port) and finish

(*): If one of the gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

NOTE: Depends on the sailing conditions and **the affection of the coastline**, double I2/O2 on trapezoid course, may be sailed one below the other; **ALL FLEETS MAY SAIL THE SAME COURSE.**

Alternative courses

LR and LG courses will only be sailed in an extraordinary condition as an alternative course, due to weather conditions and/or wind direction that do not permit to set or sail a proper trapezoid.



COURSE "LR2": Start, 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 4p (port) and finish.

COURSE "LG2": Start, 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 4s (starboard) and finish.

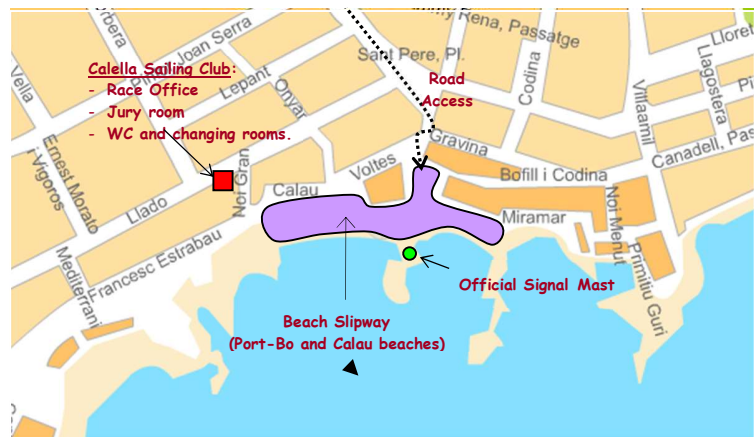
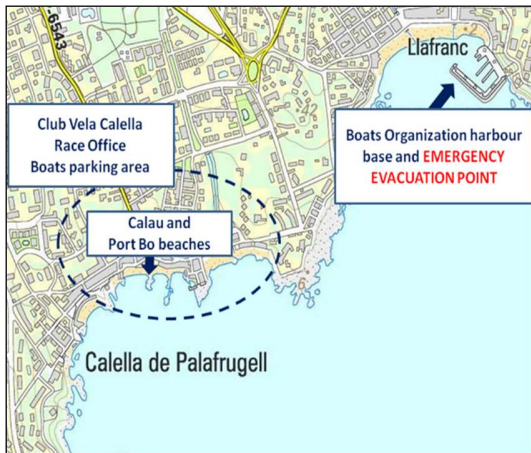
COURSE "LR3": Start, 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 4p (port) and finish.

COURSE "LG3": Start, 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 4s/4p (gate*), 1 (port), 4s (starboard) and finish.

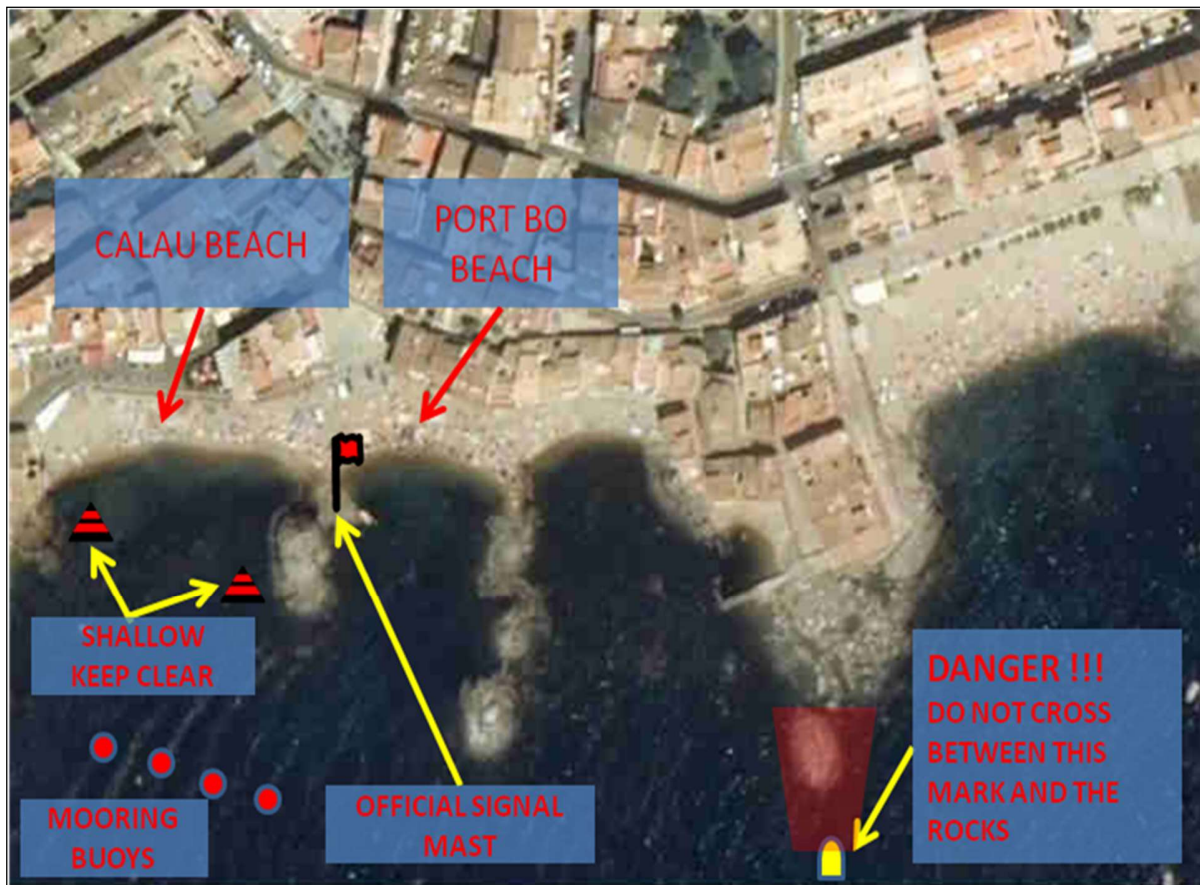
(*): If one of the gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

Clarification: "2" means two laps, and "3" means three laps.

APPENDIX II: Maps



APPENDIX III: Safety marks





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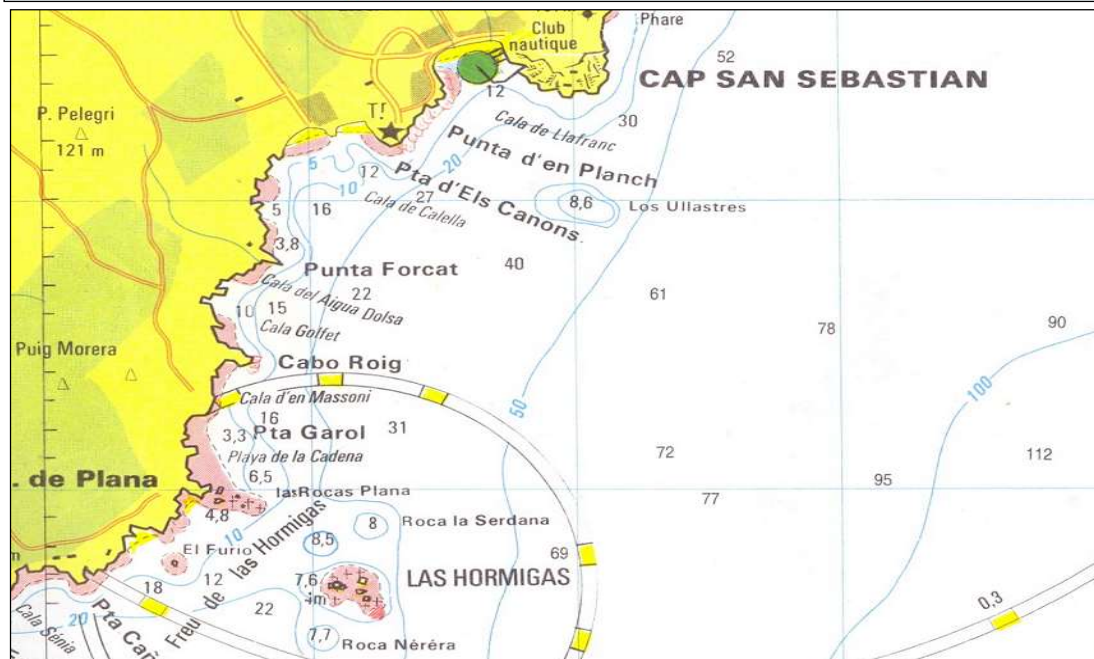
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APPENDIX IV: Nautical Charts



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NOT PART OF THESE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS)

EMERGENCY PHONES (24 HOURS):

Regatta Coordinator: (+34) 609.610.111, only available from 16th to 19th of April 2026.

Ambulance: 061 - Local Police: 092 - Emergencies (call centre): 112