



RS Feva World Championships 2019 Golfo di Follonica ITALY

20th – 26th July 2019

The Organising Authority is FIV (Federazione Italiana Vela) that empowers GV LNI Follonica, Club Nautico Follonica Asd and Club Nautico Scarlino Asd in conjunction with the RS Feva Class Association (IRSFCA).
Approved by World Sailing (WS).

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Prescriptions of the National Authority shall apply.
- 1.3 The racing rules will be changed as follows:
RRS 40 changed so that RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. Flag Y will not be displayed.
RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions and subsequent official notices shall prevail.
The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.4 The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP].
ITALIAN COMPETITORS ONLY: gli equipaggi italiani che espongono pubblicità individuale dovranno essere in possesso della licenza FIV per la pubblicità in corso di validità.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Feva XL Class. Eligible boats may enter by:
- Completing the online entry form at <https://www.rsfeva.org/index.asp?p=calendar&id=83>, and
 - Making the required entry fee payment on time.

And the complete registration at the venue by:

- Supplying completed Event Consent Form. Forms may be downloaded from <https://www.rsfeva.org/docs/EventConsentandMedical.pdf>
- These forms shall be preprinted, completed and brought to registration
- supplying insurance documents for all participating boats and support boats. (see NoR 17).

Failure to provide these documents at registration will be grounds for the Organising Authority to reject the entry as permitted by RRS 76.1 or refuse the registration of a support boat.

Competitors aged under 18 shall submit the entry form signed by parents, tutors or any other responsible person, in order to be able to undergo to RRS 3.1(b). This person shall be the one responsible for their decision to race. ITALIAN COMPETITORS ONLY: I concorrenti italiani dovranno essere in possesso della tessera FIV in corso di validità comprese le prescrizioni sanitarie.

- 2.2 Entries are limited to 180 boats. The entry of up to 180 boats will be accepted in order of completed entry. When the limit of 180 entries has been reached boats are accepted at the discretion of Organising Authority
- 2.3 Class Rule '3. Class Association Membership' of the RS Class Rules will apply for eligibility to compete in this event.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The following fees will be applied to each entry:
- €375 per boat for entry on or before midnight on 1st February 2019.
 - €395 per boat will apply for all entries received between 2nd February and midnight on 1st April 2019.
 - €450 per boat will apply for all entries received between 2nd April and midnight on 1st July 2019.
 - Any entries after 180 boats or midnight on 1st July 2019, which ever is reached first are at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority. Please contact secretary@rsfeva.org to request permission.
- 3.2 Refunds for cancellation of entries will be as follows:
- Fifty percent of the entry fee paid before midnight on 31st May 2019
 - No refund available after 31st May 2019.
- 3.3 The entry fee includes a ticket for each helm and crew to the pasta party after the races of every day, IRSFCA membership levy and a national flag sticker to be applied to the mainsail.

4 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

If there are fewer than 130 entries, the fleet will be split into two equal flights and if there are 130 or more entries the fleet will be split into three equal flights for the qualifying series, re-fighting each day. The qualifying series will finish at the end of the day in which 6 races are completed for all flights. For the final series, the fleet will be split into two fleets (if fewer than 130 entries – gold and silver) or three fleets if more than 130 entries (gold silver and bronze) of equal size.

5 SCHEDULE (PROVISIONAL)

- 5.1 Registration will be from 09:00 to 18:00 Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st July 2019 in the Regatta Hub.
- 5.2 The competitors mandatory briefing will be held at 10:30 at the Regatta Hub on the first scheduled day of racing.
- 5.3

Day	Date	First Warning Signal	Number of Scheduled Races
Monday	22 nd July	12:30	3
Tuesday	23 rd July	12:00	3
Wednesday	24 th July	12:00	3
Thursday	25 th July	12:00	3
Friday	26 th July	12:00	2

- 5.4 The race committee reserve the right to modify the programme due to extreme weather conditions or other causes. This may include bringing scheduled races forward, except the first race on the first scheduled day of racing for a class.
- 5.5 On the last scheduled day of racing Friday 26th July no warning signal will be made after 15:30.

6 SCRUTINEERING

The International RS Feva Class Association reserve the right to nominate a representative to scrutineer competing boats before and during the regatta to ensure compliance with the class rules.

This representative will have only consultancy role, and will not affect the Principal Race Officer, Race Officer and International Jury decisions.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the event website.

8 VENUE

8.1 The venue is

Gruppo Vela LNI Follonica,

Viale Italia, 321

58022 Follonica (GR)

Further information is available online at <https://www.gvlnifollonica.it/>.

8.2 Racing area will be in front of GV LNI Follonica (Northern part of Gulf of Follonica)

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The course to be sailed will be outer or inner loop trapezoid, finishing near mark 3 (the outer loop leeward gate).

9.2 Line starts will be used for all starts.

9.3 The target time for the first finisher in each race is 45 minutes.

10 SCORING

10.1 One qualifying race is required to be completed by all fleets to constitute a regatta.

10.2 The total score of each boat will be the sum of her scores as follows:

(a) Qualifying series:

i. Fewer than four completed races – all her race scores.

ii. Four or more completed races – all scores except her worst score.

(b) Final series:

i. Fewer than four completed final series races – her qualifying series rank plus all of her final series scores.

ii. Four or more completed final series races – her qualifying series rank plus all her final series scores except her worst final series race score.

11 SUPPORT BOATS

11.1 All support and coach boats shall register in advance of the event with the IRSFCA Secretary, Lucy Jameson at secretary@rsfeva.org.

11.2 Upon arrival Support Boats must report to Regatta Hub. They must not launch before this requirement has been met.

11.3 All Support Boats shall register in the RegattaHub during the registration times registration form - <https://www.rsfeva.org/docs/SupportBoatRegistrationForm1.pdf> and pay the charge of €80 per support boat for the event. In addition, all support boats are required to display an identification flag from whenever on the water during the event. Flags will be assigned when registering and a €20 cash refundable deposit is required for the flag.

11.4 Except when responding to the signal in NoR 12.9, support boats, caches and other support persons shall stay at least 100 metres outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to

start on that course until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. [DP].

- 11.5 During the event, support boats shall not tow boats participating in the event unless the race committee have signalled that towing is allowed.
- 11.6 **Kill cords shall be worn at all times whilst engines are running.** The Course Safety Leader will be looking out for compliance on this issue, there are no excuses and boats will be requested to leave the race area immediately if kill cords are not being used appropriately.
- 11.7 Support boats shall comply with local legislation
- 11.8 All Support Boat drivers shall attend the Support Boat Briefing, the details of which will be advised at Registration.
- 11.9 All Support Boats will keep a listening watch on the safety channel, which will be advised at the briefing, and if requested to, by the race committee displaying flag V and a repeated rapid sound signals, assist with safety operations under the instructions of the Course Safety Leader.
- 11.10 Support boats members, registered, will undergo the technical and behavioral rules from race committee and Jury. In case of infringement, the Jury could apply RRS 64.4.
- 11.11 Additional instructions will be stated in the Sis *(DP)*

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

14 PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- (a) 1st -10th Overall
- (b) 1st – 6th Silver Fleet
- (c) 1st - 3rd Bronze Fleet (if entry exceeds 130 boats)
- (d) 1st - 3rd Junior (Helm and crew aged 13 or under on the 31st December 2018)
- (e) 1st - 3rd Female
- (f) 1st - 3rd Family (or close relatives)

Spot prizes may be awarded at daily prize-giving

15.2 Titles will be awarded as follows:

- (a) RS Feva World Champion:

1st boat (helm and crew aged 18 or under on 31st December 2019).

A boat that comes first without meeting the age criteria for both sailors will be the Open Winner of the RS Feva World Championship.

- (b) 1st Ladies at RS Feva World Championship:
 - a. 1st All girl boat (both helm and crew aged 18 or under on 31st December 2019)
- (c) 1st Junior at RS Feva World Championship:
 - a. 1st Junior boat (Both helm and crew aged 13 or under on the 31st December 2019)

15 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the RRS states “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) 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 while taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

16 INSPECTIONS

The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000 per incident or the equivalent.

18 RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHT

By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority, the National and International Class Associations and the sponsors of the event the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the championship, and of all of his/her material related to the championship, without compensation.

19 DATA PROTECTION

In order to manage the events, information provided by competitors will be held on a database. The management of personal information and images (as in NoR 18) will comply with the new General Data Protection Regulations that come into effect in May 2018. More details will be available in the Sailing Instructions.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Lucy Jameson, International Class Secretary on secretary@rsfeva.org or +44 (0) 7834 636095.

CHARTER BOATS

For further information on how to charter a boat, please contact Vikki Payne at vikki@rssailing.com. Charter boats are available for collection from Thursday 18th July 2019.