



NOTICE OF RACE



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CLASS 42





Dear Sailors and Competitors,

Welcome to first edition of The Nations Trophy.

Nautor's Swan is delighted to have launched this this new event with the specific aim of revitalizing the concept of competition between nations. It will be the perfect opportunity to celebrate the history and spirit of international sailing, and to showcase the camaraderie and competitiveness central to the success of our sport.

The Nations Trophy is the culmination of an intense season for the three principal Swan One Design classes: the well-established Swan 45 and ClubSwan 42, and, the innovative and new ClubSwan 50. All three will be competing for class championships and we expect the regatta to be characterized by fast, exciting and, above all, fair-spirited competition.

In my position as both Chairman of Nautor's Swan and a fellow competitor, I look forward to welcoming you personally in Palma in October.

May the best nation win!

Leonardo Ferragamo

Nautor's Swan Chairman



Dear Guests,

The Real Club Náutico de Palma is honoured to host the inaugural edition of Nautor's Swan's The Nations Trophy. I'm convinced this regatta will soon become one of the world's reference events in sailing, especially among Swan owners.

Our club has enormous experience in organising high profile sporting events and will spare no effort to make sure the first Nations Trophy will be an unforgettable event, both on the water and ashore. We want the crews to feel home. We are good hosts, and are eager to prove it once again.

I am really looking forward to organizing The Nations Trophy with Nautor's Swan, since both they and the Real Club Náutico de Palma share considerable international recognition. We are two brands engaged in a constant quest for excellence and always give our best, whether launching a new yacht design or facing up to the challenge of organizing a sailing regatta.

I've shared this motivation with the club to make sure everyone invests the same level of enthusiasm they would for other top events like Copa del Rey Mapfre or Sail Racing PalmaVela, so this first The Nations Trophy in Palma is remembered not just as the first edition but as one of the best. This is our commitment. Now we just have to wait to see if the wind behaves as usual in our beautiful bay, one of the best sailing spots in the Mediterranean and one of the keys of our success.

Javier Sanz
RCNP President

The Nations Trophy

10 - 14 October 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANIZATION

- 1.1 The Nations Trophy, is organized by the Real Club Náutico de Palma (RCNP) and the Real Federación Española de Vela (RFEV), in collaboration with Nautor's Swan.
- 1.2 The Nations Trophy will be awarded to the best-placed Nation, according to the rules as described in this Notice of Race (NoR) paragraph 13.
The event will include three separate championships for the three attending classes, as follows:
- Swan 45 World Championship
 - ClubSwan 42 European Championship
 - ClubSwan 50 European Championship

The regatta will be held in the Bay of Palma de Mallorca from the 10 to 14 October 2017.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the following regulations:
- a) The Rules as defined in the WORLD SAILING Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020 (RRS).
 - b) The 2017 Class Rules of the ClubSwan 50, Swan 45 and ClubSwan 42.
 - c) WORLD SAILING Special Regulations Governing Offshore Racing Category 4.
No white flares are required, amending Special Regulation 4.23, jackstays are not required, amending Special Regulation 4.04.
 - d) RRS 55 is in force.
 - e) The Prescriptions of the RFEV to the RRS will not apply.
 - f) In order to identify a boat's Nationality, the owner shall present a copy of his Passport, when completing the entry form. No other method will be used to determine the boat's Nationality.
 - g) In the event of a discrepancy between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence. (this changes RRS rule 63.7).
 - h) The classes will sail under a Jury Observation system which will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The official language of the event will be English.
- 2.3 The Organizing Authority may require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of onboard video cameras for the official television production and/or a tracking system.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND CREW

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all OD boats of ClubSwan 50, Swan 45 and ClubSwan 42 class.
- 3.2 The WORLD SAILING Eligibility Code, WORLD SAILING Regulation 19 shall apply. Crew lists and WORLD SAILING Sailor IDs for all crew, as well as declarations of alternate, substitute and relief helmsmen shall be submitted by email to the respective Swan Class Manager no later than Wednesday, 20 September 2017:
- SWAN 45 CLASS MANAGER: Swan45Class@nautorswan.com;
 - CLUBSWAN 50 CLASS MANAGER: class@clubswan50.com;
 - CLUBSWAN 42 CLASS MANAGER: gemmarketing@earthlink.net
- 3.3 Crew Lists will be displayed on the Official Notice Board within 20:00 on Wednesday, 10 October.
- 3.4 The Classification Protest Time Limit will be at 10:00 on Thursday 11 October.

4. ADVERTISING

- 4.1 The event's advertising code will be established according to WORLD SAILING Regulation 20.
- 4.2 The boats will be requested to exhibit event advertising in compliance with paragraph 20.4 of WORLD SAILING Regulation 20.
- 4.3 Boats intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state in the entry form the nature of such advertising.
- 4.4 Boats are responsible for informing advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore, within the RCNP Area without the consent of the Organizing Authority obtained in writing before the start of the Regatta.

5. ENTRY

- 5.1 Entries shall be duly made through the event's official websites: www.thenationstrophy.com and www.rcnp.com

5.2 The entry fees are as follows:

1400€ for ClubSwan 42

1500€ for Swan 45

1600€ for ClubSwan 50

The Entry Fee may be paid on-line, after completing the Entry Form, via the Event Website by means of a credit card or bank transfer to:

CAIXABANK, S.A.

Andrea Doria 60

07014 Palma de Mallorca

SPAIN

IBAN: ES62 2100 1763 0702 0006 5812

BIC CODE: CAIXESBBXXX

5.3 Entry Deadline: The deadline for entries is Friday, 11 August 2017.

Nevertheless, the Organising Committee reserves the right to admit registrations after the deadline.

5.4 Competitor Registration: Each Owner or Skipper must complete the registration process by personally signing the Registration Form in the Race Office of the RCNP prior to 19:00 on Tuesday, 10 October 2017.

5.5 A boat will not be registered if, prior to the deadline indicated under NoR 5.4, the following original documents have not been lodged at the Race Office (modifies Rule 78.2 RRS):

- a) A copy of the 2017 ClubSwan 50, Swan 45 or ClubSwan 42 Class OD Certificate.
- b) Evidence that Owner or Charterer Class Association fees have been paid;
- c) Sail declaration form signed by the Class Manager;
- d) Duly completed Swan Class crew declaration form (see NoR 3.2 above)
- e) Completed pre-race Crew Weigh-in.
- f) A copy of the Owner's Passport.
- g) Proof of payment for a valid insurance policy for the amount of € 600,000 covering liability arising from negligence and damage to third parties while racing
- h) If advertising is displayed, authorization from a boat's respective National Authority for the display of individual advertising shall be required.
 - i) Spanish sailors, sailors officially living in Spain and sailors racing on boat affiliated to a Spanish Club are required to have a 2017 Competitor's Licence issued by the RFEV.

- j) Sailors, not covered by NoR 5.5(i) who do not have a Sailing Federation licence or athlete's medical insurance with accident cover, will be required to provide proof of alternative accident and illness insurance valid in Spain.
- k) List of crew members with a photocopy of their passport or Spanish ID Card. Substitution of crew members will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee. Any request must be lodged at the Race Office prior to 10:30 on the day of the crew change.
- l) Contact phone number ashore, including name and address of contact person.
- m) Liability Disclaimer acceptance form duly completed and signed.

5.7 Delivery of Sailing Instructions: Sailing Instructions will be available from the Race office once the Registration Form has been signed in accordance with NoR 5.5.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 The intended programme and schedule of races will be as follows:

A maximum of 9 races have been scheduled of which at least 3 have to be completed by each class for the event to be valid. The intention is to sail a minimum of 1 coastal race and the remainder inshore races.

DATE	TIME	ACT
10 October 2017	09:00 -14:00	Competitor registration, Measurement & Crew weighing
	15:30 - 19:00	
		Practice Race
	14:00	Skippers' Briefing
	18:30	Official Opening
	19:00	
11 - 14 October 2017	12:00	Race/s

6.2 The Sailing Instructions may change the schedule.

6.3 No more than three races per day will be sailed.

6.4 On the last racing day, no start will be made after 15:45 except as a consequence of a general recall.

7 MEASUREMENT, CONTROL AND RATING COMMITTEE (MRC)

7.1 A Measurement Committee will be appointed. The MRC will conduct measurement and other checks.

- 7.2 Measurement checks on boats entered for racing will take place in RCNP on 10 October from 09:00 – 14:00 and 15:30 – 19:00. Sails may need to be transported ashore to the space provided for check measurement.
- 7.3 Crew members will be weighed-in on Tuesday, 10 October. Any substitute crew member will be weighed-in later on as required by with the respective Class Manager.

8 SCORING

- 8.1 Swan 45 Worlds, ClubSwan 42 Europeans and ClubSwan 50 Europeans scoring system will be the Low Point Scoring System described in Appendix A4 of the RRS will apply. The total score of each boat will be the overall sum of all sailed races – there will be no discard.

- 8.2 The Nations Trophy scoring system will be team scoring, according to the following guidelines:

According to the places obtained in the final results of each class, The Nations Trophy will be awarded to the nation which has the lowest combined points overall. Scores will be based on the results of each nation's top two boats across the three classes."

The top two boats must be in at least two different classes.

Ties will be broken according to the Sailing Instructions.

9 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury shall be constituted according to Appendix N of the RRS. The decisions of the International Jury shall be final according to Rule 70.5 RRS. Prescription of the RFEV rule 70.5 a), in which its express authorisation is required, applies.

10 SAFETY

Competitors must possess and keep on board, under their own responsibility, up to date registration and ownership documentation for their boat, as well as applicable navigation licences.

11 TROPHIES

- 11.1 The following trophies will be awarded:
- The Nations Trophy to the best Nation (NoR 8).

- Swan 45 Gold Cup to the Swan 45 World Champion.
 - ClubSwan 42 European Trophy to the ClubSwan 42 European Champion.
 - ClubSwan 50 European Trophy to the ClubSwan 50 European Champion.
 - Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd of each class.
 - Prizes will be awarded to the best performing (lowest scoring) yacht in each class, each day.
- A complete list of trophies and awards will be posted on the ONB.

12 MOORINGS

12.1 Boats whose entry has been confirmed for this regatta will have a mooring reserved, free of charge (included in the entry fee), from 7 - 15 October 2017.

12.2 The moorings will be occupied under the full responsibility of the skipper of each yacht. Mooring charges incurred outside the dates specified in NoR 12.1 will be at the expense of the Owner or Skipper of each yacht.

13 MEDIA RIGHTS

13.1 The Media Rights belong exclusively to the event's Organising Authority (Real Club Náutico de Palma, Real Federación Española de Vela and Nautors' Swan) and may be shared with the sponsors of these bodies and the competing Classes.

14 PRESS OFFICE

14.1 Any media wishing to obtain accreditation and to register for the event, should contact the Press Office, as detailed below:

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 RCNP Press Officer
 E: coordeportiva@rcnp.es
 T: (+34) 971726848
 F: (+34) 971713326
 Real Club Náutico de Palma
 Muelle de San Pedro 1
 07012, Palma de Mallorca

Giles Pearman
 Quinag Communication
 E: info@quinagcommunication.com
 T: +41 32 545 31 20

14.2 More information on The Nations Trophy is available on the following website: www.thenationstrophy.com

15 PRELIMINARY SOCIAL EVENTS PROGRAMME

DATE	TIME	
10 October	18:30	Skippers' Briefing
	19:00	Opening Reception
11 October	17:00	Post Race Happy Hour
12 October	17:00	Post Race Happy Hour
		Crew Dinner Party (TBC)
13 October	20:00	Post Race Happy Hour
		Edmond de Rothschild Owners' Dinner
14 October	17:00	Post Race Happy Hour
	17:30	Prize-giving Ceremony

The final Social Events Programme will be communicated prior to the regatta commencement.

16 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats of all participating yachts requiring moorings, must request this direct from the RCNP's Race Office prior to 1 September 2017.

17 MEDICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Prior to the regatta each Owner is recommended to contact their National Sailing Association/ Federation to find out which clinics/hospital facilities they may use in case of medical care.

18 LIABILITY

18.1 All boats competing in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility.

18.2 The Organizing Authority and any person or entity involved in the organization of the event will not accept any liability for loss damage, injury or nuisances to people or things, both on the water or ashore, occurring as a result of taking part in the event announced in this Notice of Race.

18.3 Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 DECISION TO RACE, from Part 1 RRS that states:

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”

19 CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

The organisation reserves itself the right to change this Notice of Race. Any change made to this Notice of Race prior to the 10 October 2017, will be published on the event’s website (according to RRS 88.2):

www.rcnp.com

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