

Hobie 16 Open • Hobie 16 Youth • Hobie 16 Women • Hobie 16 Masters/Grand Masters/Great Grand Masters • Hobie 16 Open Spi Cup • Hobie 14 • Hobie Tiger • Hobie Wild Cat • Hobie Dragon

15th to 26th - September 2021
Sant Pere Pescador - Catalonia – Spain

NOTICE OF RACE

The **HOBIE MULTIEUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2021** will be held from 15th to 26th September 2021 in Sant Pere Pescador (Catalonia - Spain), organized by the Club de Vela La Ballena Alegre in conjunction with the Royal Spanish Sailing Federation, in association with the European Hobie Class Association (EHCA), and Spanish Hobie Cat Association.

1 Rules

The Championship will be governed by:

- 1.1 The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024
- 1.2 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply.
- 1.4 Rule 44.1 is changed as is described in NoR 14.1
- 1.5 The IHCA Class Rule Penalty Policy will apply.
- 1.6 IHCA Class Rules Appendix E will apply.
- 1.7 In all the rules governing this event:
 - a) the notation [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
 - b) The notation [DP] means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the International Jury.

1.8 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.9 If there is a conflict between NoR and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

1.10 Any changes in the Notice of Race (NOR) will be published at the event website <http://hobieuropeans2021.es/> (RRS 89.2(b))

2 Advertising [NP][DP]

2.1 According to World Sailing (WS) Regulation 20 the competitors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority;

2.2 Boats may be required to carry GPS tracking units, onboard cameras and/or sound equipment while afloat (or an equivalent dummy).

3 Eligibility

All competitor shall:

- Be compliant with eligibility according to WS Regulation 19
- In addition, the skipper and crew shall be a paid-up member of a National Hobie Class Association or Hobie Fleet in good standing with the IHCA. (IHCA General Class Rule 26).
- To qualify for Junior, Youth and Masters/Grand Masters/Great Grand Masters events, IHCA General Class Rule 17.7 and 17.8 apply.
- Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form. The forms are processed with the online entry on the event website
- Be a national of the country he or she represents or be an ordinary resident of the country for more than one year and must be able to establish his residency (official residence/work permit, visa etcetera.) for this period.

- All the Spanish competitors or teams representing Spanish Clubs must be in possession of the 2021 RFEV License card.

4 Entries

All entries shall be made on the official Entry in website only.

- Web site: <http://hobieeuropeans2021.es/>
- The entry form with all information filled in not later than 14th of September 2021. Any later entry will be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organizing Authority and will be subject to additional entry fee.
- If a crew is competing in any 2 events you will have a discount and price will be "combined price"
- The Europeans fee includes a race pack and participation for skipper and crew in the official social program including cut party and a wet bar every day after racing.

Event	Before 1 June	Until 15 August	Before 15 September
Hobie 14	150€	200€	270€
Hobie 16 Youth	150€	200€	270€
Hobie 16 Women	150€	200€	270€
Hobie 16 Masters Classes	150€	200€	270€
Hobie 16 Spi	150€	200€	270€
Hobie 16 Open	250€	300€	370€
Hobie Tiger	250€	300€	370€
Hobie Wild Cat	250€	300€	370€
Hobie Dragoon	150€	200€	270€
Combined Price	325€	400€	500€
<i>Coach (person)</i>	150€	150€	200€

- The Entry fee is to be paid in the event website.

- All entries will, when accepted, be displayed at the Championship website. This can be considered a confirmation of entry.
- A maximum number of entries is allowed per class; entries will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. If less than 10 entries are accepted for an event by 15 August, this event could be cancelled, and the entry fees will be refunded.
- CANCELLATION & REFUNDS
 - If a sailor cancels the entry before the entry closing date the full entry fee less a EUR 50 fee for bank and administration charges will be refunded approximately one week after the entry closing date. (September 15th)
 - In case of force majeure like a pandemic (Covid-19) the event could be cancelled. If so a charge of EURO 20 will be kept from the entry fees in order to cover bank and administration charges.

5 Boats

5. All events will be “bring-your-own-boat” events.

6 Hobie Cat 16 Gold Fleet main sail and battens [DP]

6.1 Hobie Cat Europe will provide main sails, jibs and battens to all Hobie 16 teams participating in the Hobie 16 Europeans Gold fleet. No other sails and battens shall be used.

6.2 No modifications to the sails or battens shall be made without prior written approval of the Technical Committee. A refundable deposit of Euro 200€ will be required from each Hobie 16 team for the use of the provided sails. A charter fee of Euro 50€ per set is required. Both deposit and fee shall be paid in cash and in Euro (no other currencies accepted).

7 Competition format

7. All classes will compete in their single fleet.



8 Schedule of events

15 Sep.	16 Sep.	17 Sep.	18 Sep.	19 Sep.	20 Sep.	21 Sep.	22 to 25 Sep.	26 Sep.				
REGISTRATION	Hobie 16 youth				DEPARTURE DATE							
			H16 Woman									
			H16 Master									
	H16 Open Spi											
			REGISTRATION						Open HC16	HC16 Finals		
	Hobie 14											
	Tiger + WildCat											
Dragoon												

- 8 races are scheduled for the Hobie 16 Women, Masters, Grand Masters, Great Grand Masters and Open SPI, events.
- 8 races are scheduled for the Hobie 16 Open Qualifying series and 16 in the Final Series.
- 14 races are scheduled for the Hobie 14 series, Youth Spi event, Hobie Tiger series, Wildcat series
- 12 races are scheduled for the Dragoon series.
- The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each series will be at 13:00 hours.
- On the last scheduled day of each series no warning signal will be made after 16:30 hours.

9 Registration

9.1 Competitors to the Europeans shall register at the Regatta Office, prior to competing in the Championship. The Regatta Office will be open for registration at the following schedule:



- From 0900 – 1200 & 1400 - 1700 hours on each scheduled day from 15th to 19th September 2021.
- (To manage congestion, priority will be given to classes close to their first race.)

9.2 Only boats that have completed their registration, have paid all their fees and have passed the prescribed check-in procedure before closing of the registration are entitled to race. Prequalified skippers/helms for the Hobie 16 Open Finals must have completed their registration no later than 15:00h on 19th September. A prequalified spot will be added to the number of open spots if failing to comply.

9.3 Required documentation for Quick Check-in:

1. Official Entry Form.
2. Release and Indemnity Agreement.
3. Consent for the processing of personal data.
4. Copy of valid Hobie Cat Association membership document.
5. Copy of insurance in English or Spanish (minimum coverage of 1.500.000 Euros).
6. 2021 RFEV Sailing License (only Spanish sailors)

9.4 Participants who are not able to submit all of the above at the moment of the registration (before the 1st of September), will be required to submit it at Regatta Check-in and will not be entitled to the Quick Check-in procedure.

10 Equipment Inspection

10.1 Boats are not required to display Nationality Code Letters on their sails as required by the RRS (RRS 77, IHCA General Class Rule 12.4, Hobie Tiger and Wild Cat Class Rule C1.1 (f)).

10.2 Equipment shall be available for inspection by the Technical Committee during registration hours or as agreed in writing with the Organizing Authority. Details of pre-first race equipment inspection, location and schedules will be posted on the official notice board.

10.3 Corrector weights, if applicable, must be available for inspection during registration, before and after each race.

10.4 Competitors shall also bring their life jacket/PFD that complies with IHCA Class Rules to the registration for inspection.

10.5 Hobie Tiger and Wild Cat teams must present for inspection the jib, mainsail and spinnaker intended used during the event prior to their first race. Hobie 16 Spi, Dragoon teams must for inspection present the spinnaker intended used during the event prior to their first race.

10.6 In accordance with RRS 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of RRS 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the sailing instructions or equipment inspection regulations (EIR).

10.7 The equipment limitations as specified in the IHCA Class Rules shall apply.

11 Sailing Instructions

11 Sailing Instructions will be on Championship website.

12 Venue

12 The Championship will be sailed at Sant Pere Pescador, in Spain.

Please see:

<http://hobieuropeans2021.es> Venue website

<http://www.ballena-alegre.com/> Venue website

13 Courses

13 The Championship shall use Standard IHCA Courses or trapeze courses.



14 Penalty System

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed, so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by As soon as possible, after the incident, a boat takes a penalty, by completing one of the following:

- (1) Two consecutive gybes with the gennaker (if applicable) completely inside the snuffer at some time between the two gybes.
- (2) Two consecutive tacks
- (3) The One-Turn Penalty

14.2 The Sailing Instructions may include a specification of discretionary penalties that may be applied by the International Jury for breaches of specific rules. The Sailing Instructions may include a specification of standard penalties that may be applied by the International Jury without hearing for specific rules; this will change RRS 63.1 and A5. These will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

14.3 Arbitration will be in effect for protests involving RRS Part 2.

15 International Jury

15. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

16 Scoring

16.1 The RRS Appendix A – Low Point System will apply.

16.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute an event, Qualifiers or Final series.

16.3 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

16.4 When from 4 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.

16.5 When more 9 races or more have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her scores excluding her two worst scores.

17 [NP][DP] Support Boats

17.1 All support boats shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

17.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3-letter national code of their World Sailing Member National Authority and the sticker provided by the Organization Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat.

17.3 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race committee displays Code Flag V all the support boats will have to assist with rescue operations as requested by the Race Committee.

17.4 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

17.5 Support Boats must carry a working VHF radio, capable of communicating on VHF channels 16, 69, 71, 71,72,74 and 77.

18 [DP] Radio Communications

18.1 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 except in an emergency or when using equipment provided.

18.2 This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

19 Prizes

19.1 Prizes will be awarded to at least the best three in all classes. The best skipper (and crew) acquires the title of “European Champion” in



each event. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

20 Disclaimer of liability

20.1 The Organizing Authority and any other party involved in the organization will accept no liability for any personal or material damage sustained prior to, during or after the event.

20.2 Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

21 [NP] Insurance

21.1 All entrants shall have a current Public Liability and Third Party Property Insurance policy, including coverage when racing at the venue of the Championship, of not less than **€ 1.500.000** or equivalent for each boat. Proof (English or Spanish) of such insurance and coverage must be presented at registration. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to exclude a team from participation, if such team fails to furnish the requested proof of insurance and coverage at registration.

21.2 Any competitor under the age of 18 years will be required to obtain parental/ guardian consent.

22 Right to use name and likeness

22 In participating in the Hobie Europeans 2021, a competitor automatically grants to the OA and the sponsors of the Championship, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for the said Championship in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the said Championship without compensation.

23 Shore facilities

23.1 Boats will be accommodated at the beach in front of the clubhouse. Competitors arriving to site are requested to follow the “What to do on your arrival” recommendations.

23.2 Transportation to the beach will be available at the venue at Regatta Office opening hours. Please follow the instructions of the transport crew. Driving on the beach, also with boat trailers, is strictly prohibited.

24 Accommodation

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Ballena Alegre Hobie Multi Europeans Championship 2021 venue resort:

For special prices see:

- <https://www.ballena-alegre.com/en/events/hobie-multi-european-2021/>

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