

ANOUNCEMENT OF THE RACE 2020

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LA RUTA DE LA SAL 2020

Offshore Mediterranean regatta for cruising sailing yachts.

ORGANIZERS

Club Náutico Skipper and Difusión Náutica.

COLLABORATORS

The following ports at the start of each version Club Marítim Port Ginesta, Real Club Náutico Denia and Club de Vela Port d'Andratx and the port Club Nàutic Sant Antoni de Portmany de Ibiza at the finish.

Consell d'Eivissa, Ajuntament de Sant Antoni de Portmany, RANC, Ports de les Illes Balears, Sociedad Estatal de Salvamento y Seguridad Marítima, Guardia Civil del Mar.

Federación Catalana de Vela, Federación Vela Comunitat Valenciana, Federación Balear de Vela. Asociación Navegantes del Mediterráneo.

TWINING WITH COPA DEL CANAL

Due to the postponement derived from the Covid-19 crisis, an agreement has been established with the Real Club Náutico de Denia to celebrate La Ruta de la Sal and the Canal Cup on the same dates, twining both regattas.

This only affects the Denia version of La Ruta de la Sal, where the skippers who register in the regatta with direct course Denia - Sant Antoni, will compete to win the Copa del Canal, while those who decide to take the traditional route leaving Formentera and Ibiza to port, they will compete in La Ruta de la Sal.

The participants of Copa del Canal will enjoy the same rights, benefits and program than those of La Ruta de la Sal.

WHEN

Initially scheduled for April 9-12, it has been postponed due to the Covid - 19 crisis.

The new celebration dates are from Friday, October 9 to Sunday, October 11, 2020.

Departs Friday, October 9

- BARCELONA version, CM Port Ginesta at 11 a.m.
- MALLORCA version, CV Port d'Andratx at 12 midday
- DENIA version, RCN Denia at 2 p.m.

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For weather or security reasons, the race committee can delay or even advance the start of the race. In this case, the committee will notify it on the Official Notice Board (TOA) and at the mandatory Skippers' meeting.

COURSES

- BARCELONA version: from Port Ginesta – Barcelona to Sant Antoni de Portmany – Ibiza. Aprox. minimum distance 140'NM.
- DENIA version: from Denia to Sant Antoni de Portmany – Ibiza, leaving the islands of Formentera, Tagomago and Ibiza to port. Aprox. minimum distance 120'NM.
- DENIA - COPA DEL CANAL version: direct course from Denia to Sant Antoni de Portmany - Ibiza. 56 MN
- MALLORCA version: from Andratx to Sant Antoni de Portmany – Ibiza, leaving the islands of Tagomago, Formentera, Es Vedrà, Bledas and Conejera to starboard. minimum distance 103'NM.

EVENT PROGRAM

View it at <http://www.larutadelasal.com/programa-actos>

REGULATIONS

World Sailing regatta rules, RI measurement rules, Reglamento Técnico de Crucero 2019-2020 and its appendixes, World Sailing safety rules and MOCRA (for multihulls) and the Race Instructions, which may modify each and every section mentioned in this Announcement.

CORRECTED TIME

La Ruta de la Sal will be sailed following the RI corrected time system.

The time on distance system will be implemented, with average wind speed. Multi-hulls will sail following MOCRA Rating Rule.

ELIGIBILITY

Participating sailing boats must comply with World Sailing Eligibility code, Regulation 19.

PUBLICITY

Participating sailing boats may exhibit their own advertising material in accordance with World Sailing Rule 20 and the Real Federación Española de Vela Race Regulation and Provisions regarding such rule,

IDENTIFICATION

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The yachts participating in the regatta must identify themselves with two stickers of the Regatta placed on both sides of the boat. These stickers will be supplied by the organization and its use during the race will be obligatory. The yacht that does not carry such indicative stickers may be penalized with 10% of its real time (addition to Rule A5 of the RRV Appendix)

BOATS CATEGORIES

The participating sailing boats will be classified in the following categories:

- ALFA: Modern boats, designed from January 1st, 2005
- BRAVO: Classic boats, designed between January 1st, 1992 and December 31, 2004
- CHARLIE: Boats designed before December 31, 1991
- DELTA: Multi-hulls (production yachts with cabin in between hulls)

According to crew

- GOLF: Boats crewed by two persons.
- SALINA: Boats with 100% female crew.
- TRAINING: Charter boats with professional Skipper or with demonstrated experience.

A minimum of six (6) boats is required to form a category. If a certain category cannot be formed, the Race Committee will include the corresponding boats in another category, according to the boat's rating, design year or LOA.

To enroll the boat in any of the following categories: Bravo or Charlie, the boat must have been specifically designed as a cruiser. Old race prototypes built in fiberglass or aluminium are explicitly excluded and will be included in the Alfa category.

Boats in Charlie category that have not preserved their original design or riggings will be included in the Bravo category. The owners of the boats must notify the Race Committee prior to the start of the race.

It is the owner's obligation to make sure the boat is registered in the right category and confirm it with the Race Committee. The time limit for owners to ask for a category change is 72 hours prior to the start of the race.

Any error made by the owner in the registration form will lead to the change to the right category after the starting signal is given and will carry a 6-hour penalty applied to the yacht's elapsed time.

Depending on the number of participating yachts in each category, the Race Committee can subdivide them into different Classes according to rating, LOA or design year.

Minimum length is 8m. Exceptionally and at the Race Committee's discretion, boats between 6.50 and 8m LOA may be accepted.

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REGISTRATION

Advanced registration to the race, which can be done by filling in the form on the website, is free of charge and allows to receive all the information on the race through the email contact provided, however it does not book a place in the race.

A registration will be considered processed only on receipt of confirmation of payment.

A maximum of 200 yachts can participate in the race.

Assignment of berths will be made by strict registration order. To establish the order of registration the organization will use the fee's payment date.

The registration period will end on September 25th 2020 or when the maximum quota is reached. The Race Committee shall reserve the right to accept registrations after the specified date applying a 30% surcharge.

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee depends on the yacht's maximum LOA in metres, and will be rounded up, using the following table:

LOA	MONOHULL	MULTIHULL	DOUBLE-HANDED	CREW-MEMBERS
<9.99m	365 €	410 €	235 €	5
10m-10.99m	385 €	440 €	265 €	5
11m-11.99m	465 €	545 €	285 €	7
12m-12.99m	495 €	575 €	310 €	7
13m-13.99m	530 €	600 €	330 €	7
14m-14.99m	570 €	630 €	350 €	7
15m-15.99m	590 €	660 €	370 €	7
16m-16.99m	680 €	805 €	385 €	10
17m-17.99m	735 €	835 €	415 €	10
>18m	750 €	860 €	435 €	10

When the number of crew members is higher than the one shown in the table a 25€ increase will be applied to the registration fee for each additional crew member.

Registration fee includes: one week mooring rights prior the start of the race in each of the departure's Clubs and one week mooring rights in Es Nautic de Sant Antoni de Portmany after the arrival; the Welcome Receptions hosted at the departure Clubs; the welcome drink on the terraces of Rio Ibiza; the Buffet Dinner after the Award Ceremony in Ibiza; the

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commemorative shirts for all crew members; and all the activities scheduled in the Events Program

SPONSORED AND COMPANY BOAT REGISTRATIONS

A/- Sponsored boats: +50%

B/- Registrations invoiced to a company: +25%

REGISTRATION FEE DISCOUNT

10% discount will be applied to yachts whose skippers prove their membership to: CM Port Ginesta, RCN Denia, CN Sant Antoni de Portmany, CN Ibiza, CN Santa Eulàlia, CV Puerto de Andratx and to members of Asociación de Navegantes del Mediterráneo (ADN).

REGISTRATION AND ADMISSION PROCESS

Registration is mandatory. You must first fill in the form on the website of the regatta <http://www.larutadelasal.com/hoja-de-inscripcion>

Once the form has been filled the boat will be considered as pre-registered and any news and information on the regatta will be sent to you at the email address you provided.

You must later pay the relevant registration fee by bank transfer. The registration will be considered processed only on receipt of confirmation of payment.

BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER TO PAY REGISTRATION FEE

Difusión Náutica, S.L.
IBAN ES 55 0075 0002 2205 0511 1682
BIC CODE: POPUESMM

IMPORTANT: Please write the name of your boat and "RDLS" in the description field, to show it is for La Ruta De La Sal, + "IS" if you are registering for the Inshore race in Sant Antoni.

To complete the registration process, you must send the required documents. The documents must be sent in a single email and must be sent from the email address provided in the registration form. It is important to indicate in the subject of the message the name of the boat, as follows: "DOCU: (NAME OF THE BOAT)".

ALL DOCUMENTATION must be sent prior to September 25th 2020 to Difusión Náutica by e-mail: secretaria@difusionnautica.com

You must send the following documents:

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1.- **Navigation certificate** for boats with Spanish flag. Boats with foreign flag shall present the navigation certificate of their own country.

2.- The boat's **Insurance policy and valid RECEIPT** for civil liability towards third parties.

3.- MMSI Radio beacon number

4.- 2020 annual **RI handicap certificate** or one valid exclusively for this race. Request it at the Real Asociación Nacional de Cruseros (Sailing Cruisers National Royal Association): gestion@ranc.es – telf. +34 93 451 72 88.

5.- **Sailing Federation Licence**. Each crew member shall submit either a yearly licence or one valid exclusively for this race. You can request it from your own club or from your own sailing federation.

The Race Committee reserves the right to refuse applications.

Refund policy in the original Announcement of the Race. Cancellation Refunds: Until March 5th, 2020 the registration fee will be refunded minus a 15% to cover expenses. Between March 5th and March 26th, a 50% refund of the registration fee will be given. Starting from March 26th **NO** refunds will be given.

Refund policy extension based on postponement: Until September 5, 2020 the total registration fee will be refunded, retaining 15% for management costs. From the 5th of September to September 25, 2020, 50% of the registration fee will be refunded. From 25 of September 2020 **NO** refund will be made.

RANKINGS

Overall Corrected Time Rankings, for each version of La Ruta de la Sal and in the categories formed, following the instructions in point CORRECTED TIME.

There will also be a ranking for Clubs, taking into account the two yachts with the highest rankings from each club.

The DELTA (multi-hulls) category will not be part of these Rankings due to the fact that multi-hulls' Measurement Certificates are not compatible with those of mono-hulls.

SAFETY

All participating yachts must comply with World Sailing Safety Regulations. (category 3). Additionally, they must be equipped with a radio beacon, life raft, VHF (LSD) radio with a 25'NM minimum reach, inboard engine and security and safety equipment as demanded by Maritime Authorities.

Participating yachts with Spanish flag must have the corresponding navigation certificate.

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- BARCELONA version: navigation zone 2.
- DENIA and MALLORCA version: navigation zone 3.

It will be responsibility of the owner of the boat, or of the person responsible for the boat, to comply with the navigation, certification and safety rules applicable to recreational boats.

The Race Committee will carry out safety inspections and can disqualify from the race yachts that don't comply with minimum requirements.

DELAYS AND CANCELLATIONS

The security coordinator will delay or cancel the regatta if the AEMET (State Meteorological Agency of Spain) issues a wind force 8 Warning in the areas where the race takes place and at the time of the race.

For Weather or Security Reasons, the Race Committee can delay the start of the race or even bring it forward. In this case, the race Committee will notify participants via e-mail at the address provided or at the mandatory Skippers' Meeting.

These decisions are final and are not subject to further reviews. Additionally, participants are not entitled to a refund of the registration fee.

MARINA LOCAL REGULATIONS

The conditions of maritime safety, navigation and human life at sea, set by Real Decreto 62/2008, are applicable to nautical sports competitions.

Before starting the competition, participants are reminded that only boats that comply with the requirements to navigate in the waters in which the event is taking place will be able to compete and only if their skippers have all the required certifications to conduct them.

With sufficient notice, before the start of the competition, participants must provide details of their insurance coverage, including risks covered and liability limits in compliance with the Notice of Race, and the specific coverage for taking part in nautical sports competitions.

BERTHS

Participating yachts are provided with free berths in Marina Port Ginesta, RCN Denia and CV Andratx from October 2nd to October 9th, day of the start of the race. Likewise, they will be provided with free berths in the CN Sant Antoni from the day of arrival until Saturday October 17th.

If you wish to stay at CN Sant Antoni beyond October 12th you must notify the Welcome Committee of La Ruta de la Sal when you turn in the Course and Arrival Form and fill in the corresponding registration form.

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You might have to moor your boat alongside another boat both in the departure and arrival ports.

The Organization has the right to provide both the departure and the arrival clubs with all the information they may request about participating yachts to guarantee a successful monitoring of the race.

TROPHIES

The Winners of La Ruta de La Sal will be the first yachts in the Overall Corrected Time Ranking in each Version.

A trophy will be awarded to each group (category or class) that has been formed, depending on the number of boats enrolled in each. It will be specified in the Race Instructions.

A trophy will also be awarded to the elapsed time winner in each version.

A trophy will also be awarded to the winners of the Clubs ranking.

MODIFICATIONS

Club Náutico Skipper and Difusión Náutica, as Organizing Bodies, reserve the right to amend this Notice of Race.

In the event of a conflict between this Notice of Race and the Race Instructions, the latter will prevail.

RESPONSABILITIES

Difusión Náutica and Club Náutico Skipper, as Organizing Bodies, CM Port Ginesta, RCN Denia, CV Andratx and CN Sant Antoni de Portmany, as cooperating bodies, as well as other institutions, bodies and companies that sponsor and collaborate in the event, take no responsibility for accidents or incidents that could occur before, during and after the Race, nor for changes in the schedule due to the weather conditions.

RUBBISH AND WASTE

Participants in all versions of La Ruta de la Sal will not throw any waste or rubbish into the sea during the race. The Protest Committee will be in charge of deciding the penalty applicable to yachts that do not comply with this rule, which may include disqualification from the race.

The Organization of La Ruta de la Sal respects the environment and does everything in its power to protect it.