

# NOTICE OF RACE

## Cupa României Offshore 2026

Black Sea, Romania | 29 May – 27 September 2026  
<https://seanergy.ro/cupa-romaniei-offshore-2026>

### ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

#### Yacht Club Sportiv Seanergy with the support of

Asociația Sailing 4 Fun · Asociația Club Sportiv Swan 42 · Asociația Club Sportiv Mojo Yachting  
Seanergy Yachting SRL · Black Sea Magic SRL  
*Under the authority of the Romanian Yachting Federation (FRY)*

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## 1 RULES

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- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The following rules will also apply:
  - a) ORC Rating Systems Rules.
  - b) DP World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) – Appendix B – Special Regulations for Inshore Racing.
  - c) The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) replace RRS Part 2 from sunset to sunrise.
- 1.3 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for breaking one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident outside the Zone while racing.
- 1.4 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.5 Automatic, mechanical, and wind-vane devices for steering shall be prohibited, with the exception of boats racing with ORC Double Handed certificates.
- 1.6 The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.7 If Flag F (Foxtrot) is displayed (with no sounds) at any mark, that mark shall be left on the required side and boats shall then proceed directly to the Finish, leaving out any further marks of the course. This changes RRS RACE SIGNALS.
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text takes precedence.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Sailing Instructions will be published individually for each regatta and will be available at the Official Notice Board (ONB) of each regatta, prior to each event.

## 3 COMMUNICATION [NP]

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- 3.1 The Official Notice Board (ONB) for Cupa României Offshore 2026 is located at: <https://seanergya.ro/cupa-romaniei-offshore-2026/> . Here will be available links to ONB of each individual regatta.  
For individual Regattas:
- 3.2 Communication with competitors will be through the Regatta ONB, with additional courtesy information by email and/or WhatsApp. On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel in use will be specified in the Sailing Instructions for each regatta.
- 3.3 [NP] Each boat shall have at least one device with access to the ONB and WhatsApp installed. Each boat must ensure that at least one crew member is part of the WhatsApp group through which the Race Committee communicates. Failure to receive or read messages sent via WhatsApp does not constitute grounds for a request for redress.
- 3.4 [DP] RRS 41(c) is changed as follows: a boat shall not receive help from any outside source, except help in the form of information which is freely available to all boats, whether or not by payment of a fee or subscription. This shall not include interpretation of information specific to the boat and her situation from any source not on the boat. By way of example, downloading charts, weather and/or tidal GRIB files from subscription services is permitted, but receiving

messages or information which is the result of interpretation from a person outside of the boat is not permitted.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY [NP]

**4.1** Cupa României Offshore 2026 is an international event open to all boats holding a valid ORC certificate. Certificate requirements per class:

- a) ORC International certificates are mandatory for Classes A1 and A2.
- b) ORC Double Handed certificates are allowed only for the Sport class.
- c) ORC Non-Spinnaker certificates are not permitted.

**4.2** Classes are defined as follows:

Class	Displacement	Dyn. Allow.	CDL
Sport	≤ 3,000 kg	—	—
A1	> 3,000 kg	< 0.275	> 10
A2	> 3,000 kg	< 0.275	≤ 10
B1	> 3,000 kg	≥ 0.275	> 9.5
B2	> 3,000 kg	≥ 0.275	≤ 9.5
First 40.7	Beneteau First 40.7 — results extracted from A1		

Note: Class definitions are subject to change following the FRY April 2026 decision. Any changes will be published on the ONB no later than 30 April 2026.

**4.3** A class will be constituted with a minimum of 4 boats registered for the Cup and individual regattas. In exceptional cases, the RC, with Organizing Authority approval, may constitute a class with a minimum of 3 boats for an individual regatta.

**4.4** The RC with the Organizing Authority approval may combine classes due to insufficient entries for an individual regatta. At the Cup level, Cup class scoring will be extracted with recalculation from that individual regatta.

**4.5** To be eligible for Cupa României Offshore 2026 scoring, a boat shall start at least one of the scheduled races across any of the five regattas.

**4.6** A boat can score in only one class; this shall be the class of her first scored result at any regatta.

**4.7** [NP][DP] A boat shall comply with the requirements of RRS Appendix G. The Race Committee may approve exceptions to sail numbers and national letters requirements upon written request. This changes RRS 77.

**4.8** Entry registration shall be completed individually for each regatta. Details and deadlines will be published on the ONB and in each regatta's documentation.

**4.9** All crew members who are Romanian nationals shall be a member of an organization in good standing with FRY, shall be personally in good standing with FRY (annual fee paid and not under disciplinary restrictions) and shall hold a valid medical clearance for sports as requested by the law. This rule does not apply to foreign crew members. A maximum of 4(four) Romanian crew members, but not more than half of the crew rounded downwards, may participate without complying with this rule.

**4.10** The skipper shall hold a valid sailing license for the boat.

## 5 ENTRY FEE [NP]

- 5.1** There is no Cup-level entry fee. Entry fees are charged per individual regatta as follows: 660 lei for a 2(two) race days regatta and 825 lei for a 3(three) race days regatta, or EURO equivalent amount.
- 5.2** The Organizing Authority is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat's registration. Entry fee is not refundable, except in the case of cancellation of the event or class by the OA.
- 5.3** A late entry penalty fee of 200 lei will be applied for boats registering in the last 3 days before the first race day of each regatta.

## 6 ADVERTISING [NP]

- 6.1** Competitors and boats onboard advertising will be without restriction.
- 6.2** Boats may be required to display advertising material chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority in accordance with the World Sailing Advertising Code. Specific requirements will be communicated in the Sailing Instructions of each regatta.
- 6.3** The Organizing Authority may require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on-board video cameras and/or position-tracking devices. Their use will be defined in the Sailing Instructions of the relevant regatta.

## 7 SCHEDULE [NP]

Five (5) regattas constitute the Cupa României Offshore 2026:

#	Regatta	Dates	Venue
1	Seanergya Regatta	29 May – 1 June 2026	Black Sea, Romania
2	Friendship Regatta	11 – 14 June 2026	Black Sea, Romania
3	Life Harbour Regatta	26 – 28 June 2026	Black Sea, Romania
4	Sailing4All Regatta	7 – 9 August 2026	Black Sea, Romania
5	Kaufland Regatta	25 – 27 September 2026	Black Sea, Romania

Note: The detailed daily schedule for each regatta, including registration, equipment inspection, racing schedule, and ceremonies, will be published in the individual Sailing Instructions for that regatta.

- 7.1** Cupa României Offshore 2026 is valid if at least 2 (two) regattas are completed.
- 7.2** The schedule for each regatta may be changed depending on weather and wind conditions or other constraints. Individual regatta schedules will be posted on each regatta ONB at least 5 days before the first race day of each regatta. Any changes will be published on the ONB.

## 8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [NP]

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- 8.1** Equipment inspections will be conducted at each individual regatta. Dates and times will be published in the individual Sailing Instructions.
  - 8.2** Each boat shall comply with the DP World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) – Appendix B – Special Regulations for Inshore Racing throughout all regattas.
  - 8.3** Each boat shall have a valid ORC certificate at the time of each regatta registration. No changes shall be made on ORC certificates after the skippers meeting until the end of that regatta unless approved by the Race Committee.

## 9 VENUE [NP]

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- 9.1** All regattas are held on the Black Sea, Romania and Bulgaria.
- 9.2** The specific racing area, offshore courses, inshore racing area, and berthing information for each regatta will be specified in the individual Sailing Instructions.

## 10 SCORING

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### Cup Scoring

- 10.1** Registered boats, identified by their ORC Sail Number or Name, will be scored based on their overall results at the regattas listed in section 7, one score for each regatta.
- 10.2** Each class will have separate scoring. Classes may have separate or combined starts at each regatta.
- 10.3** The Low Points Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply.
- 10.4** Ties will be broken using RRS A8.
- 10.5** A boat not entering in a scheduled regatta will be scored DNC for that regatta, accumulating points equal to the number of boats registered in her class plus one (1).
- 10.6** When fewer than 5 regattas have been completed, a boat's Cupa României Offshore 2026 score will be the total of her regatta scores, with no exclusion.
- 10.7** When all 5 regattas have been completed, a boat's Cupa României Offshore 2026 score will be the total of her regatta scores excluding her worst single regatta score.

### Individual Regatta Scoring

- 10.8** The number of scheduled races, race scoring method (corrected time calculations, scoring coefficients, etc.) and the minimum races required to constitute a valid series will be specified in the Sailing Instructions of each individual regatta.
- 10.9** Scoring software options are up to the Race Committee and shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 10.10** A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 10.11** 40.7 class scoring will be extracted with recalculation from A1 Class scoring.
- 10.12** Only for the coastal races, boats failing to finish within the time limit and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE will receive the points equal to the number of boats that finished within the time limit plus one. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 10.13** RRS 90.3(e) shall apply.

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## 11 [NP] SUPPORT PERSONS AND VESSELS

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All support person vessels shall be registered at the race office of each individual regatta.

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## 12 DATA PROTECTION

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Competitors, owners, and their guests grant the absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media — including but not limited to social media, television, and advertising materials — for editorial or promotional purposes.

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## 13 COMPETITORS' DRONES

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**13.1** Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the shore facilities or over the race area during training or racing days without complying with local legislation.

**13.2** At any time the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone. Images made inside the race area shall be shared with the Organizing Authority or Race Committee upon reasonable request.

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## 14 RISK STATEMENT

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RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform, and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk (RRS 3 – Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority, Yacht Club Sportiv Seanergya, Asociația Sailing 4 Fun, Asociația Club Sportiv Swan 42, Asociația Club Sportiv Mojo Yachting, Seanergya Yachting SRL, Black Sea Magic SRL, the Principal Race Officer, the Race Committee, the Protest Committee or Jury, the Technical Committee, the volunteers, and any other party involved in the organization of the event will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form.

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## 15 INSURANCES [NP]

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**15.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,000,000 € per incident or the equivalent, taking into account the value of boats racing and the measure of damages likely to arise in the event of an accident.

**15.2** The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of insurance certificates.

## 16 PRIZES AND TROPHIES

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- 16.1** Trophies and/or medals will be awarded to the first three boats in each of the following classes: A1, A2, B1, B2, Sport, and First 40.7.
- 16.2** Additional prizes and trophies may be awarded at the Organizing Authority's discretion.
- 16.3** Prize giving ceremonies will be organized for each individual regatta. A final Cup prize giving will be held at the conclusion of Cupa României Offshore.

## 17 HAUL-OUT AND CLEANING RESTRICTIONS

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- 17.1** From 09:00 local time of the first racing day of each regatta until the end of the last scheduled race of that regatta, boats shall be on the water and shall not be hauled out except for the purposes of repairing damage and only after permission from the Race Committee.
- 17.2** From 09:00 local time of the first racing day of each regatta until the end of the last scheduled race of that regatta cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline by any means will not be permitted.

## 18 FURTHER INFORMATION

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