

Cape 31 MED Winter Series 2025/26



Notice of Race ('NoR')

Act 1: 5 - 7 December 2025

Act 2: 16 – 18 January 2026

Act 3: 27 February - 1 March 2026

The Organising Authority ('OA') is the Club Nautic Arenal Mallorca in conjunction with the MED Cape 31 Regional Class Authority.

The notation 'NP' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule this changes RRS 60.1.

A term in *italics* refers to a definition in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 – 2028 ('RRS') and other than a title, a term in **bold** refers to a definition in the World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028 ('ERS').

The expression 'Winter Series' refers to the series comprised of the three events. The expression Act refers specifically to one of the three regattas comprising the whole series.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Winter Series and the Acts within it shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Winter Series and the Acts within shall be governed by the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS).

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions (SIs) shall be available as follows:
 - 2.1.1. Act 1: by 3 December 2025
 - 2.1.2. Act 2: by 14 January 2026
 - 2.1.3. Act 3: by 25 February 2026
 - 2.2. Each SI will be available on the appropriate Official Notice Board as described NoR 3.

3. Communication

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board (ONB) for the Winter Series is available online at: <u>Winter Series ONB</u>. The ONBs for the individual Acts are available online as follows:
 - 3.1.1. Act 1: Act 1 ONB
 - 3.1.2. Act 2: Act 2 ONB
 - 3.1.3. Act 3: Act 3 ONB

3.2. In additions to notices on the ONB, communications with competitors shall be made via a Circuit Messaging System which shall be done via Telegram which can be joined with the following joining link <u>Winter Series Event Messaging System</u> or by using this QR Code:



- 3.3. At least one representative from each boat entering one or more Act shall join and periodically monitor the Messaging System at least weekly from the week before the first Act entered and at least once a week in between Acts. During an Act, at least one representative from each boat shall periodically monitor the Messaging System daily and in between races.
- 3.4. Competitors may seek clarity from the Organizing Authority by using the contact details at the end of this NoR.
- 3.5. All boats shall carry a marine VHF radio capable of receiving international VHF channels.
- 3.6. On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1. The Winter Series is open to boats of the Cape 31 Class which comply with section B of the '2025 Cape 31 International One Design' Class Rules.
- 4.2. The Winter Series is also open to Charterers which charter a boat that complies with section B of the '2025 Cape 31 International One Design' **Class Rules** and which hold a valid membership to the Class Association as per Class Rule A.12.1.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration by following the links in NoR provision 3 for the ONBs and paying the relevant fees.
- 4.4. To be considered an entry, a boat shall complete all online registration requirements for the Winter Series and Act(s) they wish to compete in as well as paying relevant fees as follows:

Act	Deadline
Act 1	3/12/2025
Act 2	14/01/2026

Act 3	25/02/2026

At its sole discretion, the MED Cape 31 Regional Class Authority may accept 'late' entries being those that wish to compete but have missed the applicable deadlines above.

5. Fees

5.1. The entry fees are as follows:

Number of Acts Entered	Fee
1	€1,600
2	€2,800
3	€3,750

5.2. The entry fees are payable by bank transfer using the below details:

BANCA MARCH

IBAN: ES43 0061 0069 9801 7395 0117

BIC/SWIFT: BMARES2M CLUB NAUTICO ARENAL

CONCEPT: CAPE31 + NAME OF THE BOAT

- 5.3. This entry fee includes:
 - Regatta
 - 2 travel lift operations (launch and haul-out)
 - 4 days of mooring
 - Vehicle parking
 - Social event (see program)
- 6. Crew Limitation
- 6.1. Not used. See Class Rule C.2
- 7. Advertising
- 7.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority,
- 7.2. Event advertising (as described in World Sailing regulation 20.4) that a boat is required to display shall be set out in the Sailing Instructions including the positioning of such advertising and when it must be displayed.
- 8. Qualifying Series and Final Series.
- 8.1. Not used.
- 9. Schedule
- 9.1. The following is the intended schedule for the Winter Series:

Act	Dates	
1	5 - 7 December 2025	
2	16 – 18 January 2026	
3	27 February - 1 March 2026	

9.2. The following is the intended schedule for Act 1:

Event	Date	Time
Skipper meeting and Breakfast	5 December	10:00
First warning signal (Races 1, 2 and 3)	5 December	13:00
First warning signal (Races 4, 5 and 6)	6 December	TCBC
Beers after races		ASAP
First warning signal (Races 7. 8 and 9)	7 December	TBC
Last warning signal (no warning signal shall be made after this time)	7 December	15:00
Prize giving	7 December	ASAP

A total of 9 races will be scheduled.

9.3. The following is the intended schedule for Act 2:

Event	Date	Time
Skipper meeting and Breakfast	16 January	10:00
First warning signal (Races 1, 2 and 3)	17 January	13:00
First warning signal (Races 4, 5 and 6)	17 January	TCBC
Beers after races		ASAP
First warning signal (Races 7. 8 and 9)	18 January	TBC
Last warning signal (no warning signal shall be made after this time)	18 January	15:00
Prize giving	18 January	ASAP

A total of 9 races will be scheduled.

9.4. The following is the intended schedule for Act 3:

Event	Date	Time
Skipper meeting and Breakfast	27 February	10:00
First warning signal (Races 1, 2 and 3)	28 February	13:00
First warning signal (Races 4, 5 and 6)	28 February	ТСВС
Beers after races		ASAP
First warning signal (Races 7. 8 and 9)	1 March	ТВС
Last warning signal (no warning signal shall be made after this time)	1 March	15:00
Prize giving	1 March	ASAP

A total of 9 races will be scheduled.

10. Equipment Inspection

10.1. A Boat may be subject to **Event Equipment Inspection** as detailed in the SIs.

11. Clothing and Equipment

11.1. Not used. See Class Rule C.3.

12. Venue

12.1. The Venue for the Winter Series is Club Nautico Arenal, Palma, Spain.

13. Courses

13.1. The course will be windward leeward buoyed courses set from a committee vessel with an offset windward mark.

14. Penalty System

- 14.1. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing."
- 14.2. In RRS 44.2 insert after the first sentence: "However, on a windward/leeward course, if Mark 1a (windward spreader mark) is set, a boat shall take a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 1a".
- 14.3. For breaches of any rule, other than a rule of RRS part 1 and 2 the penalty shall be at the discretion of the protest committee unless the penalty is stated in the rule itself. The penalty shall be applied to all races in which the rule was broken. The protest committee shall be guided by the World Sailing Discretionary Penalty policy forming part of the World Sailing Jury Policies found on the World Sailing website (https://www.sailing.org/our-sport/race-officals/international-judge/international-judges-resources/), as may be amended by World Sailing.

15. Scoring

15.1. At least 1 race is required to be completed and scored for an Act to be constituted.

- 15.2. If less than 5 races are completed and scored within an Act, a boat's Act series score shall be the sum of her race scores. If 5 or more races are completed and scored within an Act, a boat's Act series score shall be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst.
- 15.3. At least 2 Acts are required to be completed and scored for the Winter Series to be constituted.
- 15.4. The Winter Series score is the sum of a boat's Act ranks.
- 15.5. For the purpose a boat's Winter Series score, if it does not come to the start area of at least 1 race in an Act, ready to race, for that Act it shall be scored points equal to the total number of boats entered in the Winter Series plus 1.
- 15.6. Where a boat is chartered, for the purpose of the Winter Series score, points, ranks and scores shall be associated with the Charterer not the boat they charter.

16. Support Person Vessels

- 16.1. See **Class Rule** C.8.
- 16.2. In addition to the **Class Rules**, *Support Person* Vessels shall carry appropriate marine VHF equipment to be able to receive communications on the channels used by the *Committee(s)* detailed in the SIs and channel 16 to facilitate compliance with RRS 37 Search and Rescue Instructions.

17. Chartered or Loaned Vessels

17.1. Not Used.

18. Berthing

18.1. Boats shall berth as directed by the Organizing Authority.

19. Haul-Out Restrictions

- 19.1. See **Class Rule** C.5.4.
- 19.2. In addition to the **Class Rules**, boats shall be afloat in their designated berth by 17:00 on the day before the first scheduled race.

20. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools

20.1. Not Used.

21. Data Protection

- 21.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the MNA of a boat or individual competitor, the Spanish Sailing Federation and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published and made publicly available.
- 17.2 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in

the world, for any purpose and in any media, photographs, video footage, and audio recordings taken of them prior to, during, and after the event without compensation.

22. Risk Statement

- 22.1. RRS 3 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:
 - 22.1.1. 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 whilst taking part in the event.
 - 22.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
 - 22.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - 22.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
 - 22.1.5. 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.
 - 22.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - 22.1.7. 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 safety briefing held for the event.

23. Insurance

23.1. Each participating boat shall be adequately insured, with cover of at least €uro 1,500,000.00 against third party claims per claim.

24. Prizes

- 24.1. Prizes will be awarded for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall 'Open' and 'Corinthian' teams in the Winter Series.
- 24.2. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall 'Open' and 'Corinthian' teams in each Act.
- 24.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 24.4. For the purpose of 24.1 and 24.2, a Corinthian entry is a boat with no more than 1 **crew** on board which does not hold a valid World Sailing Category 1 Categorization as per the World Sailing Categorization Code.
- 24.5. For the purpose of 24.4, where **Crew** have made a genuine timely effort to obtain a Category 1 Categorization but have been unable to due to the World Sailing platform, they may apply to the Organizing Authority and the Organizing Authority may accept that **Crew** as holding a Category 1 status. Where the Organizing Authority accepts such Crew, the Crew shall

obtain and confirm to the Organizing Authority that Categorization as soon as reasonably practical after the relevant Round.

25. Further Information

25.1. For further information regarding the Round, emails may be sent to team@cape31class.com and regata@cnarenal.com.