



NOTICE OF RACE

2024 TOPCAT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Campione del Garda

August 31st September 6th 2024

The Organizing Authority is Univela Sailing ssdarl in conjunction with the International Topcat Class Association.



1 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.3 International TOPCAT Class Rules and ITCA Championship Rules will apply.

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

2 Advertising

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority, in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20. A breach of this rule might cause a disqualification.

3 Eligibility and entry

3.1 The World Championship is open to all boats of the TOPCAT Class K1, double handed. The International Championships are open to all boats of the TOPCAT classes K2/K2X, double handed as well as K3/K3X single handed, according to the valid Class Rules (decisions of the ITCA general meeting).

K3/K3X will start together with no compensation.

3.2 Each competitor (helmsman and crew) shall be a member of ITCA through their National Class Association or their National Topcat Fleet and of their National Authority or his Sailing Club, which is a member of their National Authority and have paid the membership fee before May 15th

3.3 All entries shall be made online at the website of the organizing authority before



May 15 th: www.topcatclass.com
Entry fee per boat:
Doublehanded 315,00 E
Singlehanded 195,00 E
Entry fee shall be paid in EUR until May 15th

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2024 by SEPA transfer to: ITCA
Hypo Vereinsbank
Account: 657060984
IBAN : DE64700202700657060984
Swift (BIC): HYVEDEMMXXX
A withdrawal of the entry may be made by email to worlds@topcatclass.com and will be compensated until May 15 th with 100% refund, until June 15 th with 50% refund and later than June 15 th without refund.

3.4 Late entries and payments will be accepted under the following conditions:

Later than May 15th
: 90.00 € per person
on top of ordinary entry fee and
Later than June 15th : 130.00 € per person
on top of ordinary entry fee.

If the requirements under 3.2 are not met, the fees under 3.3 will increase by 52.00 € for each competitor who does not meet them.

3.5 All helmsmen are required to show the original version of their valid third-party liability insurance certificate and the measurement certificate at the registration office. Copies of those documents will not be accepted.

4 Fees

4.1 Required fees are as follows:

Topcat K 1 315.00 €
Topcat K2/K2X 315.00 €
Topcat K3/K3X 195.00 €
Guests 120.00 €



5 Schedule

5.1 Registration:

Saturday, August 31 st 09.00 hrs - 19.00 hrs

Sunday, September 1 st 09.00 hrs - 12.00 hrs

5.2 Measurement and equipment inspection:

Saturday, August 31 st 12.00 hrs - 19.00 hrs

Sunday, September 1 st 09.00 hrs - 11.00 hrs

5.3 Dates of racing:

Sunday, September 1 st practice race

Monday, September 2 nd racing

Tuesday, September 3 rd racing

Wednesday, September 4 th racing

Thursday, September 5 th racing

Friday, September 6 th racing

5.4 Number of races: Races per day

Topcat K 1 12 2-3

Topcat K2/K2X 12 2-3

Topcat K3/K3X 12 2-3

5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the

- practice race is 15.00 hrs.

- Every day at 11.00 hrs except for wind reasons it is possible to start early, this will be announced the day before.

5.6 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the official notice board by 20.00 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

6 Equipment inspection

Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate. Each measurement certificate shall be registered in the ITCA register. Each competitor shall ensure that boat and equipment comply with the TOPCAT Class Rules. All boats shall be already measured and shall display the sail number declared on the measurement certificate. A new measurement will not be possible on



site. Sails will be marked with a stamp. Only one boat and one set of sails will be allowed. Any changes of crew and equipment shall be authorized by the chief measurer of World Sailing. Random checks may be made any time during the championships.

7 Sailing instructions

The sailing instructions will be available after Saturday August 31st 9.00 hrs at registration desk.

8 The courses

Course according to the valid ITCA Championship Rules.

9 Jury

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance to RRS 91 (b). Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

10 Penalty System

For the Topcat K1, K2/K3X, K3/K3X classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11 Scoring

11.1 The low point system of RRS appendix A will apply.

11.2 At 6 scored races the championship becomes valid.

11.3 (a) One drop is allowed after the 5 th valid race is completed.

(b) The 2nd drop is allowed after the 9 th valid race is completed.

12 Prizes

Prizes will be given to the first three teams in each class. All participants will receive a memento. Special prizes by ITCA will be



awarded to the Champions of all classes.

13 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Each participant has to sign an exclusion of liability at the registration.

14 Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 3,000,000.00 per event or the equivalent.

15 Social Programm

Thursday, August 29 th	1000 – 1800	Univela welcomes Topcat Sailors to enter the club
Saturday, August 31 st	0900 – 1900	Registration, Measurements
Sunday, Sept. 1 st	0900 - 1200	Registration, Measurements
	1300	Practice Race
	1830	Opening ceremony
Monday, Sept. 2 st	1100	Competitors briefing
	1300	Racing
Tuesday, Sept. 3 nd	1300	Racing
Wednesday, Sept. 4 rd	1300	Racing
Thursday, Sept. 5 th	1300	Racing
Friday, Sept. 6 th	1300	Racing
	TBD	Closing ceremony
Saturday, Sept. 7 th	0800 – 1500	Teardown and departure

16 Support Boats



16.1 Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority on arrival and will be required to comply with all local safety regulations and the Event Support Boat Regulations. Team support boats/coach boats shall complete online registration form

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=EjGpKXdc3UmO67B5591rqu0ux4wSnwRMkxgVEsQX5ptUQ04xOVizQTNOVk9BSExZQ0ZZTTIVS1ITi4u&r2424d89b252f4469be0fcaa8249bcd0e=%22Topcat%20Worlds%22>

and pay on-site 100,00 Euro for the registration. By registration, team support boats/coach boats will receive the OA Flag and ID flag number and get the tickets for the social events.

16.2 If called upon, support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

16.3 [DP] [NP] When afloat, all persons on board of a support vessel shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) and, as soon as their engine is running, drivers shall be using a kill-cord to their engine contact.

17 Jury

An International Jury will be appointed for the World Championship in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its' decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

18 MEDIA CONSENT

By signing an Entry Form, all competitors agree to and grant the Organizing Authority, the ITCA, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to photograph and/or videotape participation in the regatta, or at the regatta facilities, and to the use of their name, likeness, and images, without compensation and without the competitor's prior approval.

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