

NOTICE OF RACE



CIRCOLO VELA ARCO
LAKE GARDA - ITALY • 22 -30 AUGUST 2025

<https://2025.fireballworlds.com>

Organising Authority:

The Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) delegates the affiliated club **Circolo Vela Arco ASD**, in collaboration with Fireball International and Fireball Italia National Class Association.



*[DP] Rules for which the penalty may, at the discretion of the protest committee,
[NP] Denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).*

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 The National Sport Regulations of the Italian Sailing Federation available at the following URL applies <https://tinyurl.com/SpasnFIV>
- 1.3 No National Authority prescriptions applies.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P (Special procedures for RRS 42) applies.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 Rule 23 of the Class Rules (Limitation of equipment) will apply.
- 1.7 [NP] [DP] RRS 40.1 (Personal flotation devices) shall apply at all times while afloat

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available no later than 12:00 on 15 August 2025 at the regatta webpage at the following URL.

<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/10476/event> Paper copies will not be distributed

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at the regatta webpage at the following URL:
<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/10476/event>
- 3.2 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The Championship is open to all boats of the International Fireball Class whose helmsman and crew are members of a National Fireball Class Association recognized by Fireball International (NCA) or Fireball International if there is no NCA in the country of origin of the boat.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event by completing the online entry form, available at the regatta webpage at the following URL:
<https://www.circolovelaarco.com/cva/regate/2025/2025-fireball-world-championship>
and submitting it, together with the required fee, **by 30 June 2025 at 23:59**
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority, if accompanied by the payment of the increased late entry fee.



4.5 All competitors shall confirm their registration at the race office, according to the schedule shown in the NoR 7.1, showing the following documents:

- (a) Membership of a club affiliated to a World Sailing Member National Authority (see RRS 75). Italian sailors shall have a valid FIV membership including the health certificate.
- (b) Certificate of the third-party liability insurance in English or Italian, in which the maximum coverage, the expiry date and the risk extension for races are clearly legible (see NoR 19). Italian sailors may use the FIV Plus card.
- (c) Fireball Class membership for the current year where required by the class.
- (d) Proof of payment of entry fee.
- (e) Any competitors aged under 18 shall complete the parental consent form.
- (f) Valid measurement certificate



5 ENTRY FEES

5.1 Entry fees as follows:

Name:	Until:	Fee:
Early entry fee	31 st of May 2025 at 23:59	€500
Standard entry fee	30 th June 2025 at 23:59	€600
Late Entry fee	15 th August at 23:59 (See also NoR 4.4)	€700

5.2 The entry fee must be paid via the website at the following link:

<https://www.circolovelaarco.com/cva/regate/2025/2025-fireball-world-championship>

by credit card (stripe).

5.3 Entry fee includes: Official T-shirt for each competitor; Crew dinner for each competitor; Free hospitality for boat and trailer (when there is room) from 17/08/2025 to 31/08/2025

6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1

Sunday 17 August - Thursday 21 August 2025	Club facilities available for competitors and private on-the-water practice.
Thursday 21 August 2025	Arrival day, Registrations and equipment inspections : 14:00/18:00
Friday 22 August 2025	Charter boat distribution : 09:00/12:00 Registrations and equipment inspections: 14:00/18:00
Saturday 23 August 2025	Registrations and equipment inspections: 9:00 /12:00 - 14/17:00 Informal short practice races Opening Ceremony 18.30
Sunday 24 August 2025	Equipment inspections: 08.30/11:00 Skipper Meeting: 10:00 Races: first warning signal at 13:00 Pasta party after races
Monday 25 August 2025	Trophy-giving for previous day's races: 10:30 Races: TBD Pasta party at the end of the races
Tuesday 26 August 2025	Trophy-giving for previous day's races: 10:30 Races: TBD Official Crew Dinner: 20:00
Wednesday 27 August 2025	Reserve day Fireball International AGM: 19:00
Thursday 28 August 2025	Trophy-giving for previous day's races: 10:30 Races: TBD Pasta party at the end of the races
Friday 29 August 2025	Trophy-giving for previous day's races: 10:30 Races: TBD last possible warning signal: 15:00 Prize Giving: as soon as possible

7.2 The first possible warning signal for each day will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 20:00 of the preceding day.

7.3 The Social Event Programme will be available at event registration.

7.4 Number of races:

Number	Races per day scheduled	Races per day maximum
10	2	3

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid measurement certificate.
- 8.2 [DP] Boats shall be available for equipment inspection according to the schedule that will be defined by the technical committee and published on the official notice board at least the day before the start of the inspections.
- 8.3 Boats may be inspected at any time.
The following equipment may be inspected or measured:
 - (a) Weighing of boats and rudder.
 - (b) Measurement of mast, boom and spinnaker poles.
 - (c) Sails inspection.
- 8.4 [DP] Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1 when presented for inspection

9 COURSE

A combination of “Triangular” and “Windward-Leeward” as defined in Sailing Instructions.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2
 - (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes to RRS A2.1.
 - (b) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1 Coaches and support personnel may register online:
<https://www.circolovelaarco.com/regate> (Coach Entry)
payment will be made at the club by credit card or cash.
- 12.2 The registration fee is 100 euro.
- 12.3 Coach boat charter is available. Please contact the sailing club office Circolo Vela Arco.Email: amministrazione@circolovelaarco.com (only for coach boat charter)
- 12.4 All coach boats shall be registered.
- 12.5 All Support Boats and crews with assistance boat shall be accredited with the Local Organising Authority and shall have:
- VHF on board.
 - accepted the "rules for support personnel and assistance boats" described in the Sailing Instructions;
 - provided numbers of the accompanied competitors.
 - A maximum of two support persons on board the motorboat;

Accredited Support Persons will be subject to the technical and disciplinary directives of the RC and the PC which, in the event of an infringement, will be able to act on the basis of rule 64.5 of the RRS

Motorboats are generally prohibited in the Northern part of Lake Garda. For this event a temporary permit shall be issued.

12.6 The permit may be issued only if the following documents have been uploaded on the coach entry page, sent per email or delivered personally to the race office:

- a. engine registration document of the rib (engine brand name – engine serial number);
- b. current insurance of the engine;
- c. driver's identity document or navigation license, if the engine is 40.8 HP or more.

12.7 Each support person vessel shall display the proper yellow flag with a black S, provided by the Club. For the flag a refundable deposit of 20,00 € will be required.

[DP] Identifying marks (flags, stickers, etc.), if provided by the OC, must be visible throughout the races.

13 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 13.1 RRS G3 will apply as follows: a chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.



14 BERTHING

- 14.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park.

15 RISK STATEMENT

- 15.1 17.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 15.2 The participants are aware that the sailing activity falls within those governed by article 2050 of the Italian Civil Code therefore all Italian competitors must have a valid FIV membership, including medical validation, that guarantees accident coverage, including death and permanent disability.
- 15.3 Non-Italian competitors shall comply with the requirements of their World Sailing Member National Authority (MNA), if any, and be in possession of accident coverage, including death and permanent disability as per current Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) regulations.
- 15.4 The organizing authority, the race committee, the jury, the technical committee, and any other party involved in the organization of the event will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race. Each boat representative accepts these terms by registering for the event.

16 PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first ten boats .

The Championship perpetual trophies will be awarded as follows:

World Champion Helm	Worlds Trophy
World Champion Crew	Humboldt Trophy
Race 1 First Place	Moore Trophy
Race 2 First Place	Rondar Cup
Race 3 First Place	Volvo Trophy
Race 4 First Place	Certina Trophy
Race 5 First Place	Mildara Wines Trophy
Race 6 First Place	Bell Bowl
Race 7 First Place	Sponsor Trophy
Race 8 First Place	RVYC Trophy
Race 9 First Place	Safaricom Kenya Trophy
Race 10 First Place	P & B Trophy
Overall Classic	Classic Boat Trophy
Perseverance	Geest Trophy
First Youth Helm	Tom Gillard Trophy
First Youth Crew	Vyv Townend Trophy

16.2. Special Prizes : MIXED overall; Female overall; Under 25 overall; Over 125 overall. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

17 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions; however, the organizing authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion – “smart casual” is required. **Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non-attendance at the prize giving ceremony.**

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to remain in the race is hers alone."

Therefore: by participating in this event each competitor agrees and recognizes that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity that carries risks. These risks include the possibility of facing strong wind and rough sea, sudden changes in weather conditions, breakdowns / damage to equipment, manoeuvre errors of the boat, poor seafaring by other boats, loss of balance due to boat instability and fatigue with resulting in an increased risk of injury. The risk of permanent and serious injuries or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes is inherent in the sport of sailing.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 euro per event or the equivalent. The insurance policy presented at registration shall have an English translation.

20 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

21 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 21.1 The Basic Principle says: “Participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of sailing”. Therefore all sailors are asked to follow RRS 47 – Trash disposal - before, during and after the event : “Competitors and support persons shall not intentionally put trash in the water. This rule applies at all times while afloat. The penalty for a breach of this rule may be less than disqualification”



22 FURTHER INFORMATION

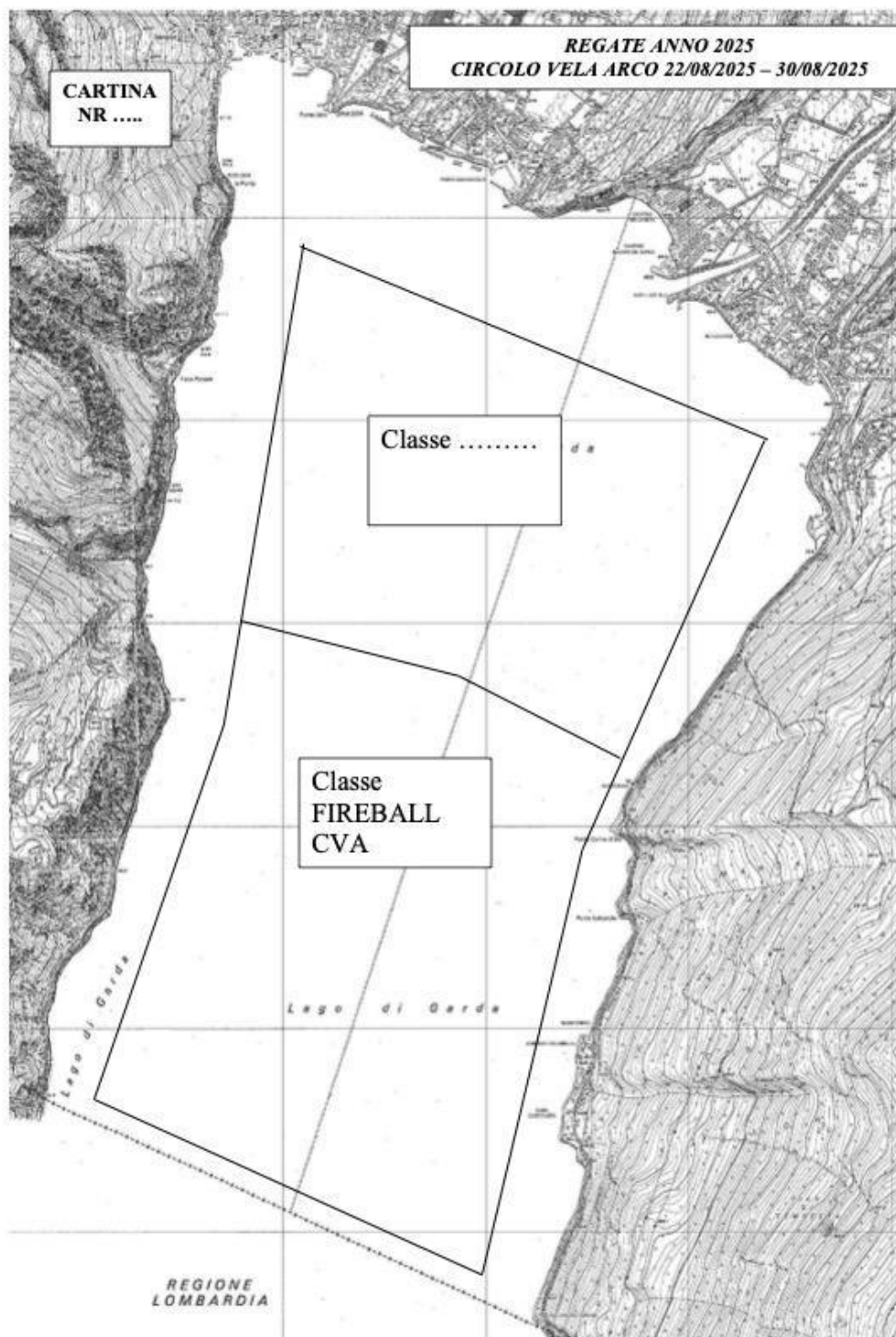
- 22.1 Final Registration will take place at the race office located at Circolo Vela Arco. ADDRESS: Via Lungo Sarca, 20 Arco TN -Italy
- 22.2 For further information please contact: +39(0)464.505086
Email: info@circolovelaarco.com Website: www.circolovelaarco.com
Race Office: race.office@circolovelaarco.com
Office opening hours: 9.00 a.m - 12 p.m. / 2.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

23.VENUE

23.1 NoR Addendum A



23..2 NoR Addendum B; shows the location of the racing areas.





ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – not part of the N.o.R

1) THE CLUB

Circolo Vela Arco is situated between Riva Del Garda and Torbole, which is in the Northern part of Lake Garda in North- Italy. The town of Arco is particularly attractive and has a wide range of shops, bars and interesting restaurants. For non-sailing friends there's a lot to do, including mountain biking, windsurfing, hill climbing, canyoning, beach activities, sup, canoeing etc. The majority of which are all available within a short drive to the town center. One of the features of this end of the lake (in Trentino) is that no motorboats are allowed (other than ferries or rescue boats) which helps to keep the noise levels down and the dreaded jet-skiers out of the picture. So if you have friends or relatives interested in "sharing" your holiday – bring them along.

2) TRAVEL & TRANSFERS

Airports to head for are Verona Catullo Airport (80 km) - Bergamo Airport Orio (130 km) - Milano Linate Airport (150 km) - Milano Malpensa Airport (160 km) – Venice Marco Polo Airport (190 km) – Treviso Airport (200 km) - Innsbruck Airport in Austria (220 km), all of which can be reached by a number of cheap airlines e.g. Ryanair or EasyJet. The nearest Airport to Arco is "Verona Catullo".

On arrival at the airport of Verona the next issue is transport to / from Arco or Riva del Garda. Options include:

- Bus Verona – Garda - Riva del Garda. For more info see:

<https://www.atv.verona.it/flex/cm/pages/ServeBLOB.php/L/EN/IDPagina/77>

- Railway Verona - Rovereto

From Rovereto to Riva del Garda or Arco there is no railway service but buses connect the two towns nearly every hour (for more info see: <https://www.trentinotrasporti.it/en/#find-a-bus-stop>)

If driving from the Airport Verona then follow the A4 direction east to the A22 North - Brennero, and exit at the Rovereto Sud exit (toll fee).

Taxi services:

- Taxi Alto Garda - Riva del Garda - Tel 0039 (0)464 557044

- Eugenio FAVA – Arco - Tel 0039 333 1493219

- Shuttle transfer & taxi FLORIN - Tel 0039 327 5312555 or 0039 347 0797895



3) ACCOMMODATION

You can find a booking request form on the organizing club web site

<https://www.circolovelaarco.it/prenota-hotel>

Your request will be sent to all the nearby hotels, campings, B&B and other accommodation services and they will answer you directly with their offer.

We suggest you to book your accommodation with very large advance, as the championship will be held in the touristic high season.

You can also check the tourism office website:

https://www.visittrentino.info/en/trentino/resorts-towns/riva-del-garda_md_271

<https://www.gardatrentino.it/en/experiences>

4) VENUE

Thanks to the lake, Arco benefits in summer weather conditions from a Mediterranean climate. In August temperature can reach 30°/33° degrees during the day.

Wind / Racing: Northern Lake Garda is well known for being a **“sailing” Mecca**, largely due to the thermally generated **“Ora” wind** that kicks in from the south usually around 12-1pm, and builds regularly up to a F4 and occasionally up to a F6-F7. During the morning from the North arrives from 6am to 10/11am a regular and strong “Pelèr” Wind. Conventional theory is that “there’s more breeze nearer the cliffs” but that only holds true some of the time and also depends on the racing area you use. Occasionally you can get thunderstorms rolling around the mountains and the clouds and lower temperature can prevent the “Ora” from kicking in. The racing with the North Wind can be a good alternative.

5) NAUTICA SUPPLIERS

- Negri Nautica Store - Via Matteotti 90 - Torbole - tel +39 0464 710774 - www.negrinautica.com
- Oradini Sport – Via Gardesana, 23 – Arco – tel +39 0464 505080 – www.oradinisport.com
- Best Wind – Via Padova, 5 – Riva del Garda – tel +39 0464 755070 – www.bestwind.it
- Seatex - Via Strada Granda 87 – Torbole sul Garda tel +39 0464 506050/+39 335 5274455 - www.seatexsails.com
- Raf Wind – Via Strada Piccola – Torbole sul Garda - tel +39 340 7757978 - www.rafwind.com
- Torbole Sails – Via San Nazzaro, 2 – Riva del Garda – tel +39 346 2888625 www.torbolesails.com



ARRIVAL AT THE CLUB :

In order to speed up and simplify the arrivals we ask you NOT to offload the boats in the car park:

- 1 - Check the opening hours of the Club in order to arrive and unload when it is open
- 2- Come to the office to register your arrival and to get the stickers to be applied on boats/road trailers/ribs/cars.
- 3 - Offload the boats in the area indicated by the staff. (FIELD INSIDE THE CLUB, BEACH or TRAILER PARK)
- 4 - Apply the stickers before pulling the sailing boats inside the “Boats Park”.
- 5- Ask for directions to launch the motorboat.

OUR BASIC RULES:

The car park is only for parking of the car/van and not to unload or prepare boats Boats have to be rigged on the given boat place.

Sailors have to take care of their boats & equipment.

Please NEVER ride with the car /trailer on the “Regatta” field

The beach area is only for transit and hauling boats,

You always have to keep the cycle path and the beach clear!

Trolleys have to be left on the TROLLEY AREA, do not leave them on the beach or on the ramp!

NEVER leave your boat alone on the beach, but keep it inside the given boat place, also during the lunch break. Respect, order and cleanliness are fundamental, but mostly important is your Fun;

ENJOY YOUR STAY!