

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations are used in this Sailing Instructions:

- AUC Official Online Notice Board
- CIS International Signal Code
- RC Race Committee
- CP Committee of Protests
- SI Sailing Instructions
- FIV Italian Sailing Federation
- OSR Offshore Special Regulations
- RRS Racing Rules of Sailing
- WS World Sailing
- UVAI Unione Vela d'Alta Italiana
- SR Regatta Secretariat
- TC Technical Committee
- CO Organising Committee
- DP Discretionary Penalty
- NP Standard Penalty

The notation in a rule of the SI:

- [NP] Rules that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1** The Organizing Authority is **Circolo Nautico Riva di Traiano** with the collaboration of the Mini 6.50 Class Italy. The Race is valid for the Italian Championship Mini 6.50 and for the National Ranking Mini 650.

2. GENERAL RULES

- 2.1** The **Roma per Due – Mini 6.50** race will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and by:
- The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for **Category 3**.
 - The Mini 6.50 2025 Class Rules (see Mini 2025 guide), part B, section II of the RIPAM (IRPCAS) when it replaces the rules of chapter 2 of the RCV.
 - The race is to be considered Category "B".
 - The right of way provisions set forth by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) that shall overrule the RRS Rules, Part2 from sunset to sunrise.

In the event of a conflict between regulations, national ones will prevail.

- 2.2** [DP] [NP] Each participating boat will receive two banners carrying the event logo and the racing number. Such banners will be distributed starting from 3 pm on April, 8 and they will have to be positioned on the stern rails both on the port and starboard sides. The banners will have to be visible throughout the race up until the end of the prize awarding ceremony on April 19, 2025

A forestay flag will also be provided, which must be displayed at all times when the boat is at berth from the time of delivery until the prize awarding ceremony on April 19, 2025.

- 2.3** The Organizing Committee, the Race Committee and race officials may use the information received from the system for media communication purposes, for technical and safety ones as well as to verify the boats sailing by the waymarks.
- 2.4** In case of conflict between the NoR and these SI, these and subsequent Official Notices will prevail. This modifies RRS 63.5(c).

3. COMMUNICATIONS AND BRIEFING

- 3.1 All decisions and changes issued by the Race Committee and the Organizing Committee will be posted on the Official Online Board (AUC) on the institutional website romaper2.com.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall have on board a VHF radio transmitting on channels: 9 (for communications with Porto Riva di Traiano), 16, 72 and 74.
- 3.3 [DP] During the race, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.
- 3.4 Errors or delays in posting notices on the institutional site, shall not be subject for a request for redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 3.5 The Briefing will be held on **April 11, 2025 at 5 p.m.** at the Circolo Nautico Riva di Traiano. **At least the presence of the skipper is mandatory.**
- 3.6 Italian is the official language of the race.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 Schedule of the event:

Tuesday, April 8th, 2025

3 p.m.: safety checks start

Wednesday, April 9th, 2025

9 a.m. – 6 p.m.: safety checks

Thursday, April 10th, 2025

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.: safety checks

12 p.m.: prologue

7 p.m.: crew party

Friday, April 11th, 2025

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: safety checks (if necessary)

5 p.m.: course briefing, weather briefing and tracking delivery

Saturday, April 12th, 2025

8.30 a.m.: boats in racing configuration and phone delivery limit

11.50 a.m.: warning signal

Saturday, April 19th, 2025

12 p.m.: prize-giving ceremony and reception

5. MODIFICATIONS TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Communications about the race will be posted to the Official Online Board (AUC) on the institutional website by the time the briefing starts.
- 5.2 As defined by Rule 90.2(c) boats may be notified on water of verbal modifications to the SI via official VHF channel 74, subsequent to the display of the 3rd Substitute, with repeated sounds.
- 5.3 For any communications during the competition (e.g. shortening of the route, etc.) the competitors may be informed by the Race Committee as well as by telephone and/or messages also through dedicated communications from the Coastal Radio Centers concerned on the VHF 16.

6. INSPECTIONS AND ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1 Inspections as set forth in Art. 11 of the Notice of Race will start at 3pm on April 8, 2025. The time slot will be agreed with competitors by reservation to be made on the specific form sent by the Mini 6.50 Class.
- 6.2 The Race Committee will set boats ultimate eligibility to compete after having carried out all the inspections. After inspection, no equipment whatsoever may be landed.

- 6.3 The Race Committee may request any time verification of the participating boats should it deem it appropriate and useful.

7. CLASS FLAG

- 7.1 The Class 6.50 pennant shall be considered as the class flag.

8. RACE AREA

- 8.1 Please take note that close to Punta del Pecoraro (NNW of Riva di Traiano harbour entrance) and West of Capo Linaro (near the town of Santa Marinella) there are rocky shallows only partially shown by the charts. Participating boats are required to stay off the above capes.

- 8.2 Please keep at a suitable safe distance along the race course from the areas used as shooting ranges by the military as described below and which will be graphically represented on the Yellow Brick map.

Santa Severa 1 - area bounded by the lines joining the following coordinate points:

42° 00.500' N 11° 58.700' E

41° 55.975' N 11° 59.230' E

41° 56.027' N 11° 57.644' E

41° 56.383' N 11° 56.129' E

41° 57.020' N 11° 54.789' E

41° 57.893' N 11° 53.715' E

41° 58.944' N 11° 52.980' E

42° 00.101' N 11° 52.634' E

42° 01.286' N 11° 52.701' E

Santa Severa 2 - area bounded by the lines joining the following coordinate points:

42° 00.950' N 11° 58.433' E

41° 59.166' N 12° 02.000' E

41° 55.000' N 11° 57.500' E

41° 58.500' N 11° 55.200' E

42° 00.466' N 11° 58.100' E

Nettuno - area bounded by the lines joining the following coordinate points:

41° 27.266' N 12° 40.916' E

41° 22.000' N 12° 36.000' E

41° 14.833' N 12° 37.866' E

41° 06.800' N 12° 51.766' E

41° 16.000' N 12° 55.000' E

41° 20.500' N 12° 55.833' E

41° 24.950' N 12° 48.616' E

- 8.3 **[DP] Such areas are off-limits around the clock for all participating boats.**

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Two courses are planned:

Course n°1 (numeral pennant n.1. displayed with the warning signal):

Riva di Traiano – Ventotene Island to leave starboard – Lipari Island to leave port – Riva di Traiano (539 nm.)

Course n°2 (numeral pennant n.2. displayed with the warning signal):

Riva di Traiano – Ventotene Island to leave starboard – Ustica Island to leave port – Riva di Traiano (453 nm.)

- 9.2 A different length than that indicated shall not be subject for a request for repair. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).

10. START PROCEDURES

- 10.1 Races will be started as per RRS 26 with the warning signal displayed 10 minutes before the start signal. There will be a single start for both classes, Prototypes and Series.
- 10.2 An orange flag will be flown with a sound signal at least 5 minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 10.3 The race will start by crossing the line defined on the left by the orange flag placed on the Control Tower of Riva di Traiano harbour, and on the starboard by a yellow pyramidal buoy with the sponsor's logo anchored approximately at 42°03,915' N; 11°48,151' E. The latter will have a reading of 270 degrees from the Control Tower (pls refer to **Annex 2**).
- Boats must cross the line heading north-south, thereby leaving the buoy starboard.
- 10.4 **Bow sails, spinnakers and gennakers may be used no earlier than the starting signal; their removable bowsprits or tangons shall be at rest until the starting signal itself.**
- 10.5 The Race Committee will perform the starting sequence from the Tower hereabove where, if necessary, the 'AP' flag of the International Code of Signals (ICS) will be displayed also as a result of a delay in the preparatory operations. Raising of the flag ashore is equivalent to its displaying at sea. The start of Roma per Due – Mini 6.50 will take place at **12.00pm on April 12, 2025.**

11. STARTING SIGNALS

- 11.1 Signals:
- WARNING:** a White/Blue "Roma Per/Garmin" flag and the Class flag will be displayed 10 minutes before the races start (at 11.50pm).
- PREPARATORY:** the ICS 'P' (Papa) flag will be raised 4 minutes before the races start
- LAST MINUTE:** lowering of the 'P' flag will mark the last minute before the races start
- START:** all flags will be lowered
- 11.2 The starting procedure will be supplemented by sound signals and radio transmissions on VHF 74. Radio transmitting or receiving failures shall not be grounds for a redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1). Boats shall cross the starting line no later than 30 minutes after the starting signal has been given. If a boat fails to do so, whatever the reason, or if after having crossed the starting line she has to return to Riva di Traiano, the Race Committee has the undisputable right to agree upon a new or delayed start.

12. RECALLS AND PENALTIES

- 12.1 The Race Committee will recall individually by radio on VHF 74 any boat crossing the line before the starting signal and it will display the ICS 'X' flag (X-RAY). Radio transmitting or receiving failures shall not be grounds for a redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1). The 'X' flag will be displayed until the recalled boats will cross the starting line correctly and, in any case, the flag will be lowered 4 minutes after the official start of the race.
- 12.2 [DP] For any recalled boat not returning to perform a valid start the experimental World Sailing DR21-01 rule Jan-25 version will be used and the boat will be penalized by adding one hour to her route time,

amending point 24 of the Federal Offshore Regulations and the RRS 44.3(c). This changes the OCS definition of Rule A11.

- 12.3** As provided for by Rule 24 of the Federal Regulations a time penalty with a percentage chosen by the Race judges may replace a disqualification (this modifies Rules 14, 63.5 and 44.3(c) of RRS), even for errors in the course that do not represent a real competitive advantage.
- 12.4** The race judges may apply a time penalty with a percentage of their choice unlike DSQ (this modifies Rule 60.5(c) and Appendix A of RRS).
- 12.5** **GENERAL RECALL.** Should there be many unidentified boats crossing the line before the starting signal is given, the Race Committee will display the FIRST SUBSTITUTE flag and will communicate the recall by radio on VHF 74. Radio transmitting or receiving failures shall not be grounds for a redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1). The new starting procedure will begin 1 minute after the 1st substitute is lowered.

13. COURSE PROGRESSION

- 13.1** Once the race has started, all boats shall head and pass inside the gate positioned at approximately 2.5NM to course 165°. The gate will be defined by a pyramid buoy to port (approx. coordinates 42° 1.503' N - 11° 49.487' E) and an orange cylindrical buoy to starboard (approx. coordinates 42° 1.221' N - 11° 49.009' E) (refer to map in **Annex 2**).
- 13.2** Once past the gate, it is necessary to pay attention to the shallow waters near Capo Linaro (S. Marinella). Afterwards, competitors may choose freely their course to Ventotene, Lipari (Course n.1) or Ustica (Course n.2) and, finally, Riva di Traiano, respecting the areas closed to navigation within the polygon, as specified at point 8.

13.3 VENTOTENE MARK (refer to Annex 3)

The passage of Ventotene will occur on crossing the line connecting the Ventotene lighthouse benchmark at 40° 47.815'N; 13° 26.074'E and the S. Stefano island benchmark at 40° 47.479'N; 13° 27.075'E (reading of the Ventotene lighthouse from the reference mark on S. Stefano island is approximately 293° and distance is approximately 0.8nm), as per **Annex 3**. The date and time of crossing will have to be included on the Statement of Compliance.

Participating boats once passed the alignment, must set course for Lipari (Course n.1) or Ustica (Course n.2).

13.4 LIPARI MARK (refer to Annex 4)

The passage of Lipari will occur at the southern crossing of the island at longitude 14°56.990'E. (Annex 4).

The date and time of crossing will have to be included on the Statement of Compliance.

13.5 USTICA MARK

The passage of Ustica will occur at the southern crossing of the island at longitude 13°10,616 E. The date and time of crossing will have to be included on the Statement of Compliance

14. FINISHING LINE AT RIVA DI TRAIANO

- 14.1** The finishing line will be the same as the starting line but it will have to be crossed in the opposite direction (south-north), leaving thereby the mark, a yellow cylindrical buoy fitted with a flashing strobe light, to port and on starboard the blue flag placed on the Control Tower of Riva di Traiano harbour.
- 14.2** When approaching Riva di Traiano, boats will have to call the Race Committee by radio on VHF 74, the first time when they are 3 miles away and then when they are 1 mile away. They will have to communicate the name of the boat, the race number and the ETA.
- 14.3** Once having arrived, competitors will be communicated their stopping record time (in hours, minutes and seconds) and will wait for the Race Committee to instruct them on how to enter the harbour.

- 14.4 ARRIVAL WITH UNFAVOURABLE CONDITIONS.** Should wind and sea conditions upon arrival hamper or prevent boats from entering the Riva di Traiano harbour, the Race Committee will inform competitors to head towards the nearby Civitavecchia Harbour (map Annex 5).
- 14.5 TIME LIMIT.** Any participating boat finishing the race by 11 am on Saturday April 19, 2025, will be included in the ranking. Such time limit does not change even if the starting time is delayed.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1** All radio communications will be made on VHF 74.
- 15.2** All flag signals made by Race Committee will possibly be repeated by radio on the VHF channel. Failure to communicate or receive will not be subject for request for redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 15.3** [DP] A racing boat may not make radio communications of any kind except to notify its retirement, any emergency, or to respond to calls directed to it from the Race Committee. This restriction also applies to voice or data transmissions and receptions that are not public and available to all boats. This modifies RRS 41.
- 15.4** The use of any kind of portable telephone is forbidden during the race as provided by Class Rules
- 15.5** **[DP] AIS and TRACKER.** AIS devices and Trackers will have to be on (transmission/reception) at all times during the race as per RRS 56.3.
- 15.6** **ROUTAGE.** Routing is forbidden, meaning by that any set of information gathered ad hoc for one or a group of competitors by external agents should they not be extracted from publicly available meteorological sources and should they allow to choose the most appropriate course thanks to the interpretation of the different meteorological conditions.

Upon arrival, each competitor will be required to sign a declaration whereby they undertake they have complied with this rule jointly with their sponsor and onshore team.

16. DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE

- 16.1** The Statement of Compliance, duly filled in and signed by the Skipper and Co-skipper, should be completed on the institutional website in the Area for Skippers within two hours from arrival. This is compulsory also for competitors having exceeded the time limit.

17. PROTESTS, HEARING AND REQUEST OF REDRESS

- 17.1** Protests concerning accidents or course irregularities will have to be submitted within two hours from arrival.
- 17.2** Protests concerning rating will have to be submitted no later than two hours before the races start and a 500.00 euro deposit will have to be paid.
- 17.3** Any additional protest concerning the rating may be submitted only for events occurred during the race.
- 17.4** Notifications regarding the hearings will be posted on the institutional website to inform "parties" or those named as witnesses. The hearings will be held c/o the Circolo Nautico Riva di Traiano.

18. SAFETY RULES

- 18.1** [DP] A boat retired from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 18.2** The Race, according to current regulations, has no in-water assistance except in case of emergency, for which the Maritime Authority is responsible. For this reason, all boats must have a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channels 16 (distress channel), 72 and 74.
- 18.3** Throughout the whole navigation to complete the course, competitors must always be on the VHF channel 16, 74 frequency. There will be two daily mandatory communications: at 08.00 am and at 7.00 pm,

in the order of the race number.

Competitors must provide their position by indicating their coordinates.

- 18.4** Competitors must keep a logbook which may be requested by the Race Committee, the Protests Committee or the Maritime Authorities. In the book must be noted all the information regarding navigation, the time of passage of the various islands and, if possible, the sailing number of the competitor which are sailing before and after the various passages.
- 18.5** **PORT CALL.** A boat has the right to release in a port according to the conditions defined by article "E-21-e" of the Mini Guide for the year 2025, and in accordance with RRS 42.3(h). The time limit for any boat on a technical stopover may not exceed 12 hours at each stage, regardless of the number of stopovers, from the moment it touches down until the moment it resumes the race. After this time of 12 hours, it will be classified DNF on the stage without instruction.
- 18.6** As a result of a violation of the conduct or sportsmanship, the Protest Committee may apply disciplinary actions even for actions that occurred ashore. The owner or his representative is responsible for the behaviour of the crew.

19. MANDATORY NAUTICAL CHARTS

19.1 Istituto Idrografico della Marina Italiana or equivalent of other Institute:

N. 913: Da Piombino a Fiumicino e costa orientale della Corsica, scala 1:250.000;

N. 914: Da Fiumicino a Punta Licosa, scala 1:250.000;

N. 915: Da Punta Licosa a Capo D'Orlando ed Isole Eolie, scala 1:250.000;

N. 916: Da Cefalù a Trapani e Isole Egadi, scala 1:250.000;

N. 251: Isola di Ustica, scala 1:30.000;

N. 248: Isole di Lipari, Vulcano e Salina, scala 1:30.000;

N. 126: Isole Pontine – Isole di Ventotene e S. Stefano, scala 1:30.000.

20. OFFICIAL BOATS

20.1 Official boats will be identified as follows:

- Assistance: White flag with red S
- Press: CNRT Guidon

20.2 Boats used by the press, photographers, video operators or spectators are not under the jurisdiction of the Race Committee. Any action by these boats may not be subject to a request for redress. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).

21. SCORING, PRIZES AND TROPHIES

- 21.1** Special overall ranking and class ranking will be scored based on real-time upon arrival, corrected by any penalty received.
- 21.2** **Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats classified for the Mini 6.50 Prototypes and the first three classified for the Mini 6.50 Series.**
- 21.3** Should no boat participating finish the full course within the time limit, Lipari or Ustica will become automatically the end of the race and the scoring will be done in accordance with the ranking at such checkpoint.
- 21.4** Prizes not collected during the award ceremony will no longer be awarded
- **Garmin Marine prize** to the Line Honors winner of Mini 6.50 Series
 - **Garmin Marine prize** to the Line Honor winner of Mini 6.50 Prototypes
 - **FWC prize** for all crew members of award-winning boats
 - Special Prize Traiana Nautica 91 (n.2 Spinlock Deckvest)

21.5 The Organising Committee may establish additional special prizes.

21.6 **The Prize-awarding Ceremony will be held at 12.00 on April 19, 2025 c/o Porto Turistico Riva di Traiano.**

22. RESPONSIBILITY

22.1 RRS 3 mentions, "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone" Therefore, participants are aware that the sailing activity falls under those governed by Article 2050 of the Civil Code and that all participants must have a valid federal membership guaranteeing accident coverage, including death and permanent disability. Foreign competitors must comply with any requirements of their own MNA and have accident coverage including death and permanent disability, as per current FIV Regulations.

22.2 According to the Fundamental Rule N.1 of the "Safety" World Racing Rules of Sailing, all boats and competitors are mandated to assist any person or ship in danger. Should this be the case, competitors may also be required by the Organizing Committee to change their route to respond to a distress call.

23. TRASH DISPOSAL

23.1 Wool threads, used to splice spinnakers or gennakers, dropped overboard will not be considered trash. This modifies RRS 47.

24. INFORMATION

24.1 For information and conventions: romaper2.com

24.2 Telegram group: t.me/romaperdue