



## **2025 ARKAS ICOW – ARKAS “INTERNATIONAL CESME OPTI WEEK ”**

**22-25 May 2025**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

#### **1. Venue**

Arkas Cesme Sailing Club, Yildizburnu, Çeşme, Izmir/TURKEY The event is organized by Arkas Cesme Sailing Club.

#### **2. General**

The Sailing Instructions will be published on 22 May 2025 on the website [www.arkascesmeyelken.org](http://www.arkascesmeyelken.org) and can be downloaded in PDF. They will not be handed over at the registration.

#### **3. Rules**

The 2025 TYF (Türkiye Sailing Federation) Principle Decisions, General Race Rules (GRR) and Class Rules apply.

The races will be held in accordance with the World Sailing Sailing Racing Rules (RRS) (2025-2028), TYF 2025 Principle Decisions, this Notice of Race, TYF 2025 General Racing Rules, TYF Sailing Race Organization Rules, TYF Athlete License Registration, Visa and Transfer Instructions, TYF Disciplinary Instructions, TYF Sail Number Allocation Rules, TYF Sailing Referee Instructions, TYF Coach Instructions, TYF Support Boat Use Instructions, TYF Advertisement Receiving and Carrying Rules will be in accordance with the applicable Class Rules of the competing classes and the Additional Racing Instructions to be published.

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2025 – 2028).

Rule 61.1 “Informing the Protestee” is changed as follows:

Add to rule 61.1(a) "The protesting boat shall inform the Race Committee of the boat/s being protested at the finishing line immediately after finishing.

Rule 40 and the preamble to Part 4 are changed as follows:

The first sentence of rule 40 is deleted and replaced by: "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) according to class rule 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing." Add to the preamble of Part 4, after 'racing': "; except rule 40 as amended by instruction 1.4.1"

Rule changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

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

#### **4. Advertising**

Boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the organizing committee.

#### **5. Entry**

The regatta is open to all nations. Competitors must be born in 2010 and after. Turkish competitors who will compete in the Junior class will be required to have participated in the 2025 TYF (Turkish Sailing Federation) Yıldızlar Cup.

Entries shall be made by submitting the online registration forms at

[www.arkascesmeyelken.org](http://www.arkascesmeyelken.org)

Deadline for the online entries is **15 May 2025**.

#### **6. Entry Fee**

Early registration is until April 15th. The early entry fee is fixed at 80 Euros. The late registration fee is 100 Euros.

#### **7. Limitation**

Boat registration is limited to 320 competitors. If the number of participants exceeds 75 athletes, grouping may be made in the races.

#### **8. Registration and Sailing Instructions**

Each competitor must be registered online at [www.arkascesmeyelken.org](http://www.arkascesmeyelken.org) Deadline for online registration is **15 May 2025**.

The Race Office will be open for registration on 22 May 2025 at 09:00.

Sailing Instructions will be displayed on 22 May 2025 at [www.arkascesmeyelken.org](http://www.arkascesmeyelken.org)

## 9. Schedule

22 May Thursday

09:30 – 17:00	Registration
12:00	Coaches meeting
14:00	Trial Race
17:00	Opening Ceremony

23 May Friday

	(RACE DAY 1)
09:30	Coaches meeting
11:00	Races

24 May Saturday

	(RACE DAY 2)
09:30	Coaches meeting
11:00	Races

25 May Sunday

	(RACE DAY 3)
09:30	Coaches meeting
11:00	Races
15:30	Last warning signal
18:00	Prize giving and closing ceremony

Group determination races are planned for the first and second days of the race. If 4 or more races are held in the first two days, the final races will be held on the last day. A total of 8 races are planned.

## **10. Prizes**

First 10 competitors Overall

First 10 competitors Girls

First 10 competitors Junior (Born 2014 or later) First

5 competitors Girls Juniors (Born 2014 or later) Gifts

can be given by lottery at the closing ceremony.

## **11. Charter Boats**

Competitors shall not modify the boats or cause them to be modified in any way except that

- A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
- Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
- Hulls, dagger boards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
- \* Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
- All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided that the Class Rules are complied with.

Competitors may use their own foils, spars, fittings and running rigging.

Charter boats will be provided with airbag, racing spars, racing foils, padded toe straps, trolley.

Sail, 2 bailers, mainsheets and blocks, bowline, vang, outhaul, sprit hall yard, and paddles will NOT be provided.

In addition to the charter fee a damage deposit of 150€ will be charged cash at the registration to be paid back at the end of the event.

Failure of the charter equipment shall not be subject to request for re-dress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

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## **12. Support Boats**

There will be a limited number of coach boats (RIB) to be chartered.

Reservation for coach boats must be done until 10 May 2025.

You must send an e-mail for information.

[bilgi@arkascesmeyelken.org](mailto:bilgi@arkascesmeyelken.org)

### **13. International Jury**

An International Jury will be constituted in accordance with RRS Appendix N. The decision of the Jury is not subject to appeal as provided in RRS.70.5.

### **14. Transportation**

If support is required for transportation, notify the organization in advance via e-mail.  
(Number of people, arrive date, etc.)  
organization@arkascesmeyelken.org

### **15. Accommodation**

If support is required for accommodation, contact with PIRIL HOTEL that close to the race area.

E-mail: [info@pirilhotel.com](mailto:info@pirilhotel.com)

+90 232 253 03 03

<https://g.co/kgs/ZKNpNcw>

### **16. Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the Championship entirely at their own risk and responsibility.  
See rule 4, Decision to Race.

The Organization Authority and any other party involved in the organization of the Championship will accept no liability whatsoever for any injury, damage, loss or claim, whether personal or material, incurred by or inflicted to competitors before, during or after the Championship.

All competitors and support staff will be required to execute liability waiver.

### **17. Insurance**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1,000,000.per event or the equivalent.

### **18. National Flag**

Each team is requested to bring their own National Flag (100 x 150 cm).

### **19. Social events**

Events to be announced on whatsapp groups.

## 20. Bank Account Details

### **ARKAS ÇEŞME YELKEN KULÜBÜ**

Garanti BBVA

IBAN: **TR 25 0006 2000 1000 0009 0837 24** (Euro)

Registration Form: [www.arkascesmeyelken.org](http://www.arkascesmeyelken.org)

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**The address of the venue;**

Only athletes who register for the 2025 Optimist European Championship will be able to park their boats at Arkas Çeşme Yelken Spor Kulübü.

Cesme Sailing Club, 5253 sok. No: 6/A, Yıldızburnu mevki, near Sheraton Hotel Çeşme.

<https://g.co/kgs/fVJiYvb>





The remaining athletes will park their boats at the Batı Yelken Spor Kulübü.



Altinyunus, 3215th St.

The sailing club is located south of Setur Çeşme Marina.