



The organizing authority is the Royal Varuna Yacht Club, Pattaya, Thailand

NOTICE OF RACE

Royal Varuna Open Masters Championship Friday 30th January- Sunday 1st February 2026

(NP) Denotes a rule which shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028*
- 1.2 (NP) The penalty for breach of a class rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T applies.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will apply.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.7 For the OK dinghy class, these rules apply;
 - a) Nationality letters on the sails are not required but incorrect country letters shall not be used. This changes class rule C9.1.
 - b) To allow some used sails to fit different masts, the Half width and Three-quarter width can be modified up to 40 mm wider than the dimensions in the OK dinghy class rule G 2.4, which rule is therefore changed.

2 ADVERTISING

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

3 ELIGIBILITY, AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to sailors who are 35 years old and over (determined by year of birth; born in or prior to 1991).
- 3.2 It is open to boats of the **ILCA 7, ILCA 6 and OK Dinghy**.
- 3.3 Eligible entrants shall enter by filing the form electronically at <https://forms.fillout.com/t/9rSwQaPK6aus> by 23:59 of Friday 26th December 2025
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.

4 FEES

4.1

Entry Fee (Until 23:59 of 26 th December 2025)	Late Entry Fee (27 th December 2025 onwards)
THB 3400	THB 4400
	<i>Note: Event shirts are not guaranteed for late entrants</i>

- 4.2 Entry fees shall be paid in full when completing an electronic entry form. Failure to do so shall be considered as have not entered. The participant is responsible for all payment fees.
- 4.3 Include in an entry fee are- racing, one event shirt, one regatta dinner, after sailing snacks and limited quantity of drinks. Additional event shirts and social events tickets can be purchased in advance in the electronic entry form.

5 COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 The Official Notice Board (ONB) will be online at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/11191/event>
- 5.2 Other documents governing the regatta will be published on the Official Notice Board.
- 5.3 For safety, sailors at the age of 70 years old and over are recommended to carry a mobile phone while racing.



5.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice, radio or data transmissions and shall not receive voice, radio or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Racing schedule

Date	Time	Event
Thursday 29 th January	13:00-16:00	Onsite Registration
Friday 30 th January	10:30	Race Briefing
	12:00	Warning signal of first race (Maximum 3 races)
Saturday 31 st January	12:00	Warning signal of first race (Maximum 3 races)
Sunday 1 st February	10:30	Warning signal of first race (Maximum 3 races)
	After racing	Prizegiving

6.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

7 RACING FORMAT

7.1 The organizing authority reserves the rights to combine boat classes and/or age groups' starts according to the entry number.

8 VENUE

8.1 Racing will take place in the waters immediately off the Royal Varuna Yacht Club.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The Windward/ Leeward, Triangle Sausage and Trapezoid courses may be used. Final configuration will be stated in Sailing Instruction.

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1 Sailing Instructions will be available by 18 January 2026 on The Official Notice Board

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 Rule 42 shall be enforced and Appendix P will apply.

12 SCORING

12.1 Appendix A will apply

12.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

12.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

13 PRIZES

13.1 Prizes are intended to be given in the following categories;

ILCA 7:

Overall including Apprentice class (Age 35 and over)

Master (Age 45 – 54)



Grand Master (Age 55 – 64)

Great Grand Master (Age 65 – 74)

ILCA 6:

As for ILCA7, with addition:

Legends (Age 75 and over)

Women (Age 35 and up; in 2 age categories)

OK dinghy:

Overall (from 35 years & up)

Masters (Age 55-69)

Grand Master/Women: (Age 70 and over or Women age 35+)

13.2 The OA intend to ensure that there is reasonable competition for all prizes and may combine classes/age categories to achieve this. Number of prizes will be about 25-33% of the participants. Final list of prizes will be published on the ONB before the first day of racing.

13.3 Participants are eligible to receive only one prize; priority is given to overall score. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority

14 SUPPORT BOATS

14.1 Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority, and be marked with the national letters and sail numbers of the participants it is supporting. The Organizing Authority may refuse or accept registrations at their sole discretion.

14.2 It is mandatory for support boats to carry at least one VHF radio on board. All persons aboard shall wear buoyancy aids at all time while they are afloat and the driver shall use a kill cord.

14.3 All support persons & boats will be required to comply with local legislation and the event rules.

14.4 Registered support person boats shall act as assistance / rescue boats in case of need and shall comply with any instruction given by the Race Committee or the Organizing Authority.

14.5 The support person boats must be covered by third party liability insurance (personal liability insurance and passenger accident insurance).

15 CHARTER BOATS

15.1 To charter or inquire about a boat, contact varunamasters@varuna.org and specify either “ILCA charter” or “OK charter” in Subject field.

15.2 Failure of charter boats supplied by the Organizing Authority or others, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

16 LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. 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.

16.2 A competitor is advised to have personal accident and health insurance that covers him/her while attending the event and while racing.

16.3 At-fault occurrences to other boats are the responsibility of the competitors. Competitors should provide their own coverage for personal goods and liability protection. The organizing authority recommends that competitors consult their own insurance carriers to ensure they are covered at this event and regarding additional personal liability insurance coverage.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 For further information please contact: varunamasters@varuna.org and specify “ILCA inquiry” or “OK inquiry” in the Subject field



18 PRIVACY POLICY

By registering for the race, you allow RVYC to use your personal information, including photographs, for administrative, instructional and safety purposes. You also agree that RVYC may share photographs of you with you and the other participants of your course and also within the RVYC community, including on our social media. (If you do not wish to have your photograph shared, please notify our reception when you register.) RVYC will never use your personal information or photograph for advertising purposes without your prior explicit permission.