Cape 31 MED Race Circuit 2025



The Organizing Authority ('OA') is the individual host clubs in conjunction with the MED Cape 31 Regional Class Authority.

The notation 'NP' means the provision is not subject to protest by a boat, this changes RRS 60.1.

The Cape 31 MED Race Circuit 2025, termed as 'the Circuit', is composed of a series of race weekends which are termed as 'Rounds' for the purpose of this NoR.

A term in *italics* refers to a definition in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2025 – 2028 and other than a title, a term in **bold** refers to a definition in the World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing 2025 - 2028.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The Circuit and the individual Rounds forming the Circuit shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The Circuit and the individual Rounds forming the Circuit shall be governed by the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS).
- 1.3. Each Round shall be governed by, in addition to this NoR, a 'NoR Round Appendix' (termed as 'Round Appendix' in this NoR) which is an Appendix to this NoR. Each Appendix shall be posted on the Round Official Notice Board (ONB).
- 1.4. The National Prescriptions that apply shall be made available in the relevant Round Appendix and or Round ONB.

2. Sailing Instructions

2.1. Each Round shall have a set of Sailing Instructions (SI) issued by a date set in the applicable Round Appendix. Each Round's SIs shall be posted on the applicable Round ONB.

3. Communication

3.1. The ONB for the Circuit shall be online available at https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/series/9.

3.2. In additions to notices on the ONB, communications with competitors shall be made via a Circuit Messaging System which shall be done via Telegram which can be joined with the following joining link https://t.me/+2yoU0o-6P3lyZTdk or by using this QR Code:



- 3.3. At least one representative from each boat entering the Race Circuit shall join and periodically monitor the Messaging System at least weekly in between events.
- 3.4. Competitors may seek clarity from the Organizing Authority or ask questions by emailing <u>team@cape31class.com</u>.

4. Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1. The Circuit is open to boats of the Cape 31 Class which comply with section B of the '2025 Cape 31 International One Design' **Class Rules**.
- 4.2. The Circuit is also open to Charterers which charter a boat that complies with section B of the '2025 Cape 31 International One Design' **Class Rules** and which hold a valid membership to the Class Association as per Class Rule A.12.1.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration by following this link https://cms.cape31class.com/racing/series/9, and paying the Circuit entry fee as well as the Round fees for the Rounds the boat wishes to compete in.
- 4.4. To be considered an entry, a boat shall complete all online registration requirements for the Circuit and Round(s) they wish to compete in as well as paying relevant fees as follows:

Fee	Deadline
Circuit	2 weeks before the first Round a boat competes in.
Round 1	Friday before Racing (2 May)
Round 2	Friday before Racing (23 May)
Round 3	Friday before Racing (20 June)

Round 4	Friday before Racing (11 July)
Round 5	Friday before Racing (5 Sept)

At its sole discretion, the MED Cape 31 Regional Class Authority may accept 'late' entries being those that wish to compete but have missed the applicable deadlines above.

5. Fees

5.1. The Circuit fee is €2,650 and is payable via bank transfer using the following bank detils:

For transfers from within the EEA:

Account Name: 31 North Ltd

IBAN: GB66 REVO 0099 6969 2572 60

BIC: REVOGB21

For global SWIFT transfers: Account Name: 31 North Ltd

IBAN: GB66 REVO 0099 6969 2572 60

BIC: REVOGB21

Intermediary BIC: CHASDEFX

This includes the provision of:

- 5.1.1. Equipment Inspection
- 5.1.2. On site support by an event co-ordinator
- 5.1.3. Prizes
- 5.1.4. Media coverage
- 5.2. The Round Fees and what they include will be included in each Round Appendix and are payable direct to the relevant host club. Instructions on how these payments are to be made will be set out in the relevant Round Appendix.

1. Crew Limitations

1.1. Not used. See **Class Rule** C.2

2. Advertising

2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority,

2.2. Event advertising (as described in World Sailing regulation 20.4) that a boat is required to display shall be set out in the relevant Round Appendix including the positioning of such advertising and when it must be displayed.

3. Qualifying Series and Final Series

3.1. Not used.

4. Schedule

4.1. The following Rounds constitute the Circuit.

Date	Round Title	Host Club/ Organization
9 - 11 May	Round 1	Cercle d'organisation de yachting de compétition hyérois
28 May – 1 June	Round 2	Yacht Club de Porquerolles
27 - 29 Jun	Round 3	Yacht Club Sanremo
18 – 20 Jul	Round 4	Porto Maurizio Yacht Club
12 – 14 Sep	Round 5	Club Nàutic S'Arenal

5. Equipment Inspection

5.1. A Boat shall be subject to **Event Equipment Inspection** as detailed in the Round Appendix and SIs.

6. Clothing and Equipment

6.1. Not used. See Class Rule C.3.

7. Venue

7.1. The venue for each round is as described below.

Round Number	Venue	Race Area
1	Hyeres	Hyeres Bay
2	Porquerolles	Hyeres Bay
3	Sanremo	Sanremo Gulf
4	Imperia	Imperia Gulf
5	Palma	The Bay of Palma

8. Courses

8.1. As described in the Round Appendix.

9. Penalty System

9.1. As described in the Round Appendix

10. Scoring

- 10.1. At least 1 race is required to be completed and scored for a Round series to be constituted.
- 10.2. At least 3 Rounds are required to be completed and scored for the Circuit series to be constituted.
- 10.3. At least 3 races in a Round are to be completed and scored for that Round to count toward the Circuit series scores.
- 10.4. If less than 4 Rounds are counted toward the Circuit series score, a boat's Circuit series score shall be the sum of her Round ranks. If 4 or more Rounds are counted toward the Circuit series score, a boat's Circuit series score shall be the sum of her Round ranks excluding her worst.
- 10.5. For the purpose a boat's Circuit series score, if it does not come to the start area of at least 1 race in a Round, ready to race, for that Round it shall be scored points equal to the total number of boats entered in the Circuit plus 1.
- 10.6. Where a boat is chartered, for the purpose of the Circuit series score, points, ranks and scores shall be associated with the Charterer not the boat they charter.

11. Support Person Vessels

- 11.1. See **Class Rule** C.8.
- 11.2. In addition to the **Class Rules**, *Support Person* Vessels shall carry appropriate marine VHF equipment to be able to receive communications on the channels used by the *Committee(s)* detailed in the SIs and channel 16 to facilitate compliance with RRS 37 Search and Rescue Instructions.

12. Chartered of Loaned Vessels

12.1. Not used.

13. Berthing

- 13.1. Not used.
- 13.2. Boats shall berth as directed by the Organizing Authority.

14. Haul-Out Restrictions

- 14.1. See **Class Rule** C.5.4.
- 14.2. In addition to the **Class Rules**, boats shall be afloat in their designated berth by 17:00 on the day before the first scheduled race as described in the relevant Round Appendix.

15. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools

15.1. Not Used.

16. Data Protection

- **16.1.** The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with the RYA, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published and made publicly available.
- 17.2 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, photographs, video footage, and audio recordings taken of them prior to, during, and after the event without compensation.

17. Risk Statement

- 17.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
 - 17.1.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event.
 - 17.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
 - 17.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - 17.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
 - 17.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
 - 17.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
 - 17.1.7. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and

information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

18. Insurance

18.1. As described in the Round Appendix.

19. Prizes

- 19.1. An Overall 'Open' and 'Corinthian' MED 31 Race Circuit Trophy will be awarded to the Circuit Series Winners at the conclusion of Round 6 alongside other Circuit prizes.
- 19.2. Prizes will be awarded for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall 'Open' and 'Corinthian' teams in each Round during each Round prize giving detailed in the relevant Round Appendix.
- 19.3. For the purpose of 24.1 and 24.2, a Corinthian entry is a boat with no more than 1 **crew** on board which does not hold a valid World Sailing Category 1 Categorization as per the World Sailing Categorization Code.
- 19.4. For the purpose of 24.3, where **Crew** have made a genuine timely effort to obtain a Category 1 Categorization but have been unable to due to the World Sailing platform, they may apply to the Organizing Authority and the Organizing Authority may accept that **Crew** as holding a Category 1 status. Where the Organizing Authority accepts such Crew, the Crew shall obtain and confirm to the Organizing Authority that Categorization as soon as reasonably practical after the relevant Round.

20. Further Information

20.1. For further information regarding the Circuit, emails may be sent to team@cape31class.com