



NOTICE OF RACE

3 - 7.06.2026

We invite you to participate in the 8th edition of the club regatta

Offshore Race Week Bornholm

1. Organizers

The Regatta is organized by the Yacht Club Nexø in cooperation with tourist company BORNPOL, Nexø Marina and ØstBornholm Association.

2. Regatta Rules

The regatta will be conducted in accordance with IRPCAS, the Racing Rules of Sailing World Sailing 2025–2028, ORC and KLR classes, the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and WS Offshore Special Regulations (Appendix B).

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

3. Advertising

3.1. The World Sailing Advertising Code applies.

3.2. The organizer requires all yachts to display the received sponsor advertisements of ORW BORNHOLM during the event from the moment of receipt until the yacht leaves the marina in the following way:

a) the yacht starting number together with advertising, on both sides, on the bow pulpit,

- b) sponsor flags suspended under the port spreader,
- c) the regatta flag on a flagstaff, permanently attached to the stern pulpit.

3.3. Advertisements from previous regatta events must be removed from the yacht before the event. This does not apply to Off-Short Racing markings and the South Baltic Cup.

National flags shall not be displayed during the regatta.

4. Media rights

Participants, owners and their guests grant the organizer the right and express consent to photographing and filming people and yachts during the event and to publishing and broadcasting these materials in all media for publishing or advertising purposes.

5. Regatta routes

The regatta will take place on two routes:

- 5.1 "Bornholm Challenge" around the island of Bornholm, starting and finishing in the Nexø harbor. The length of the route is approximately 66 nautical miles.
- 5.2 "Christiansø Challenge" around the Ertholm archipelago, starting and finishing in the Nexø harbor. The length of the route is approximately 33 nautical miles.
- 5.3 An additional race "Nexø In-port Race" will take place in the waters of the Nexø harbour.

6. Classes

6.1 The following classifications are provided:

- Class I – LOA up to 10 m.
- Class II – LOA 10 m and above.
- Class III – ORC.
- Class IV – KLR.

6.2 Racing classes will be created after at least five yachts have registered.

6.3 The regatta will be considered valid if at least one of the planned races is completed.

6.4 Classification groups and courses of planned races will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

6.5 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the website www.orwbornholm.com with additional information about changes.

7. Entry Fee

Participation in the Regatta requires a non-refundable payment of the entry fee, which for a yacht including the skipper is:

- 150 €, when LOA is less than 10.0 m;
- 200 €, when LOA is equal to or greater than 10.0 m.
- 70 € for every crew member of the yacht
- applications submitted along with the entry fee payment by 3 April 2026, will be eligible for a **20% discount** on the yacht entry fee including the captain.
- if the crew consists of more than 40% women, the yacht entry fee including the captain will be eligible for a **50% discount**.

8. Online Registration

8.1 As soon as possible and no later than 24:00 on Sunday, April 19, 2026, each yacht must register for the regatta via the portal www.orwbornholm.com.

8.2 Submission of the registration form constitutes acceptance of the obligation to pay the entry fee. Payment shall be made based on an invoice issued by the Organiser.

8.3 The Organizers may decide to accept a late registration of a yacht after 20 April 2026. In such a case, the entry fee will be increased by 2% for each day after the deadline, up to a maximum of 25%.

9. Berth in the Harbor

The berthing of yachts in Nexø Harbour (position 55°03.644'N, 015°08.114'E) from Tuesday, June 2, at 14:00 to Sunday, June 7, at 18:00 is included in the entry fee.

10. Personal Registration

The skipper of the yacht should report to the Race Office in the Nexø Yacht Club building on 3 June between 17:00 and 20:00 (yachts wishing to participate in the additional race “Nexø In-port Race” should report on 4 June between 09:00 and 11:30) and present the following documents:

- a) valid third-party liability insurance for the yacht and crew,
- b) valid measurement certificate of the yacht,
- c) completed and signed liability acceptance form received together with the registration confirmation by e-mail from the Organizers,
- d) current crew list,
- e) changes and updates may be made by submitting a new form containing the amendments. From 4 June at 22:00, crew changes may only be made with the written consent of the Race Committee,
- f) any change in the crew composition requires an additional entry fee corresponding to the change.

Measurement Inspection of Yachts

Yachts should be available for inspection in Nexø Harbour on 4 June between 18:00 and 20:30, in accordance with RRS Part 6, Rule 78.

The Organizer shall not be responsible for any costs resulting from the rejection of yacht registration in accordance with Rule 76, or disqualification in accordance with Rule 78.2.

11. Program of ORW Bornholm Regatta 2026

June 3. 2026, Wednesday

The first yachts arrive at the port of Nexø. Organizational and recreational day.

June 4. 2026, Thursday

09:00 Opening of the Race Office – Nexø Yacht Club building

Start of registration

Distribution of information, race numbers and sponsor flags

Registration for the “**Nexø In-port Race**”

12:00 Start of the harbor race.

17:00 Continued registration, distribution of information, race numbers and sponsor
Flags

20:00 Welcome reception for participants.

June 5. 2026, Friday

05.00 Skippers' briefing
 06.30 Start of Race I (Bornholm Challenge).

June 6. 2026, Saturday

06.00 Skippers' briefing.
 07.30 Start of Race II (Christiansø Challenge).
 19.30 Official closing ceremony of **ORW BORNHOLM 2026**, prize giving
 20.00 Closing reception.

June 7, 2026, Sunday

Yachts depart from Nexø.

13 Communication

Communication with the Race Committee on channel 72 VHF. Competitors shall not transmit or receive information that is not publicly available to all participants during the regatta.

14 Trophies and Prizes

Bornholm Challenge Trophy for the fastest yacht in the race around Bornholm, Class I and II.
 Christiansø Challenge for the fastest yacht in the race around the Ertholm archipelago, Class I and II.
 ORW Bornholm Trophy in Class III, IV.

The condition for awarding a prize is participation of at least 5 yachts in a given class.

The winner of each race, if they improve the course record in a given class, holds it until it is beaten during subsequent ORWBORNHOLM regattas.

15 Safety

During the regatta, from the moment of leaving shore until returning to shore, the following rule applies:
 All competitors wear personal flotation devices, except while briefly changing clothing or personal equipment.
 Wet suits and dry suits are not considered personal flotation devices.

16 Insurance and Disclaimer

Each yacht participating in the regatta must have valid third-party liability insurance. All participants take part in the regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility. The Organiser, sponsors, or any other party involved in the organisation of ORW BORNHOLM shall not accept any liability for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience to persons or property, both ashore and afloat, arising from participation in the event. Each yacht owner or their representative confirms possession of valid insurance and equipment complying with the requirements for the sailing area and agrees to the above conditions by completing the registration form. Competitors are reminded of RRS Part 1, Fundamental Rule 4:
"Each yacht is solely responsible for deciding whether to start or continue participation in the race."