

29er

2021 Zhik 29er World Championship

What to Expect in 2021

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After careful consideration, the 29er Class and Sailing Aarhus have concluded that the COVID protocols required by the Danish government will make it impossible to go forward with a World Championship in Denmark in 2021. We are grateful to the staff and volunteers at Sailing Aarhus for their exhaustive efforts to work with government authorities to deliver the Worlds in 2021 and are saddened that the global pandemic has disrupted our championship for a second year. We are, however, pleased to announce that the Worlds at Sailing Aarhus has been postponed, not cancelled, and we look forward to traveling to Denmark for the 2024 World Championship in Aarhus.

We are very pleased to announce that Real Club Náutico Valencia (RCNV), the host of our 2021 Zhik European Championship, have kindly offered to host the 2021 Zhik World Championship. The 2021 Zhik World Championship will take place at the same venue and on the same dates originally scheduled for the 2021 Zhik European Championship (23rd to 31st August 2021). More information about these changes is found below.

We intend to reschedule the 2021 European Championship to a new location and date. We are in discussion with a prospective venue and will post details about the Europeans as soon as they are available.

Important details about the relocated 2021 Zhik World Championship are below and we urge NCAs, sailors, parents and coaches to read carefully.

What happens next?

Over the next few days, the current website and entry portal for the Worlds will transition to include information and entry access for the Worlds at RCNV. The website for the 2021 Europeans will temporarily close.

How will entry work?

- Entry to the 2021 Zhik World Championship at RCNV will open on Saturday, 12th June via a link on the event website. Any sailor who has not previously entered for the Europeans at RCNV should enter on the new Worlds website. **Entries made for the World Championship in Aarhus WILL NOT be automatically transferred to the 2021 World Championship at RCNV.**
- **Entries for the previously-scheduled Worlds in Aarhus:** All entries to the waiting list for the World Championship in Aarhus will be **automatically deleted**. No entry fees have been taken and all information will be deleted from the entry system. All sailors interested in competing at the Worlds at RCNV must complete a new entry and pay via the link on the World Championship website.
- **Entries previously made for the European Championship at RCNV:** all entries that have been made for the 2021 European Championship at RCNV will automatically roll over to the 2021 World Championship at RCNV. Sailors who previously entered the Europeans and want to compete at the Worlds should download a

new declaration form and bring the completed form to registration.

- **May sailors withdraw from the event at RCNV?** Sailors who entered the 2021 European Championship who do not want to compete at a World Championship may withdraw their entry by 19th June for a full refund of their entry fees. Withdrawals after 19th June will be subject to the refund policy stated below.
- **Will entry be restricted:** No. RCNV will continue its policy to allow unrestricted entry for the event.
- **Entry deadlines:** in light of these changes and the quickly-evolving changes in global travel protocols, entry deadlines have been extended as follows:
 - **Early entry:** closes 30th June 2021.
 - **Entry closes:** 25th July 2021.
- **Refund Policy:** this policy follows the same policy as previously stated for the 2021 Worlds in Aarhus and the 2021 Europeans at RCNV and is adapted for the changes announced today.
 - **If a team withdraws from the 2021 World Championship at RCNV, entry fees will be refunded as follows.**
 - Up to 30th June: 75% of the entry fee will be refunded.
 - Up to 25th July: 50% of the entry fee will be refunded.
 - After 25th July: No refund will be made.
- **If the 2021 World Championship at RCNV is cancelled:** each competitor shall receive a refund of 75% of the entry fees paid.