

Hellenic Sailing Federation Offshore Committee

IRC in Greece - 2021

Five (5) major sailing events were scheduled and were canceled due to the epidemia covid 19 and none of IRC certificates were issued in Greece the 2020. The sailing events were Rodos cup, the Aegean 600, the North Aegean Cup, the Aegean Regatta, and the Andros race. The Covid -19 epidemia had an intense impact on the sailing events in Greece during 2020 and a grand part of races were canceled.

The race calendar of 2021 opened with a delay, than usual, just in the middle of June. Twenty-five (25) IRC certificates were issued in Greece until the end of September 2021 and IRC class was present in Aegean 600, Rodos cup and Spetses Classic Yacht Regatta. The curtain opened with the Spetses Classic Yacht Regatta, an important race for classic and traditional yachts, held on 24-27 June in the beautiful island of Spetses. IRC class was presented with 8 boats.

The Aegean 600 took place from 8 to 16 July 2021 with 24 IRC entries. In front of the Temple of Poseidon at Cape Sounio, 37 teams of monohull and multihull entries with sailors from around the world started a 605 nautical mile non-stop race through the Aegean archipelago, challenged by winds of all extremes, tricky tactics and navigation and tough competition. The Italian yacht Atalanta II (Farr 70) managed to win, with the Greek Optimum (Farr 52) and the Danish Artemis (X-4.6) in second and third place.

From 18 to 23 July took place the 24th edition of Rodos Cup with 42 entries from 7 countries and with 5 IRC boats.