



JUEGOS/JOGOS DEL/DO ATLANTICO
**ATLANTIC
GAMES**
2024 BAJO/BAIXO
GUADIANA
03-07 JULIO



GENERAL REGULATION



GENERAL COMPETITION REGULATIONS FROM 3 TO 7 JULY 2024

1. GENERAL

The Atlantic Nautical Committee and the Municipalities of Alcoutim, Castro Marim, Vila Real de Santo António, and the Municipalities of Ayamonte and Isla Cristina, cordially invite the regions and countries of the Atlantic Area to participate in the XXIV edition of the Atlantic Nautical Games. The Atlantic Nautical Committee reserves the right to invite other regions or countries.

The Atlantic Nautical Games 2024 will take place from July 3 to 7, 2024 in the territory of Bajo Guadiana.

The Water Sports that will participate will be: Beach Sprint (Rowing), Sea Kayaking, Canoeing, Swimming with Fins, Open Water Swimming, Paddle Surfing, Lifesaving and Lifeguarding, Sailing and Sport Fishing; and how to exhibit the following modalities: Kitesurfing, Windsurfing and Wingfoil, all of them under the authority of the following federations:

- Portuguese Canoeing Federation
- Andalusian Rowing Federation
- Andalusian Swimming Federation
- Portuguese Sailing Federation
- Algarve Regional Sailing Association
- Portuguese Sport Fishing Federation
- Algarve Regional Fisheries Association
- Portuguese Federation of Underwater Activities.
- Royal Spanish Lifesaving Federation
- Spanish Surfing Federation
- Andalusian Sailing Federation

The places where the different modalities will be held are:

- **Guadiana River and Monte Gordo Bay:** Sailing.
- **Isla Cristina Beach:** Paddle Surf and Kitesurfing, Wingfoil and Windsurfing on display.
- **Isla Canela Beach:** Beach Sprint (Rowing), Lifesaving and Kitesurfing and Wingfoil on display.
- **Praia de Altura – Castro Marim:** Sea Kayaking, Swimming with Fins and Sport Fishing.
- **Alcoutim – Ria Guadiana:** Canoeing.
- **Vila Real Santo António – Guadiana River:** Open Water Swimming and Guadiana River Swimming Crossing.

The Opening Ceremony will take place in Ayamonte on July 3, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Spanish time followed by a social party. The venue will be announced at a later date.

2. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Atlantic Nautical Games 2024 are organized by the Municipalities of the Bajo Guadiana, with the technical coordination of the Guadiana Sailing Association and the Municipal Sports Board of Ayamonte, and with the collaboration of local clubs and other associations linked to the event.

3. REGULATION

The competitions will be held in accordance with the rules of the respective Federations of each sport, the General Call for the Atlantic Nautical Games 2024 in the Bajo Guadiana, and the General Sports Regulations of the Atlantic Nautical Sports Committee:

3.1. ADVERTISING

Participants will be able to display advertising of the sponsors, collaborators and organizers of the games on the hulls and sails of their boats, or on other equipment other than that provided and required by the organization.

3.2. IMAGE RIGHTS

Within the strict framework of the organization's needs, the people who compete may appear in:

- **Photographs**
- **Recordings to make a video**
- **Press Interviews**
- **The image of the participants in the competition may be published and quoted in the press, as well as on the website of the Atlantic Nautical Games and on social networks. The documents may be used by the Atlantic Committee.**

4. MODALITIES AND DISCIPLINES

See Appendix "*Competition Announcements*".

5. EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

Persons competing may be sanctioned for the misuse or destruction of material provided by the Organization, in sports in which the Organization provides equipment. Such a penalty may result in disqualification, payment of compensation and/or withdrawal of the privilege to use such material.

The Organising Authority will not supply technical devices or accessories or any personal equipment. No modifications of any kind will be made to boats, boards or any other material without prior consultation and authorization by the organizing authority.

6. ELIGIBILITY

6.1. PARTICIPATING REGIONS

Athletes who are part of teams representing a country, a region or a city in the Atlantic Arc, or other areas already mentioned in this call, may participate.

The Atlantic Arc includes the following countries: Ireland, the United Kingdom, France, Spain and Portugal.

These teams may be nominated by the national, regional or local sports authorities of these countries, regions or cities.

Teams representing regions or countries other than those mentioned above are allowed to participate, provided that a formal request is sent to the Organizing Committee for their participation.

6.2. EQUIPMENT & LICENSES

Each competitor must be a member of a Club located in the territory or city that their team represents.

Each competitor must be a member of a Sports Federation compatible with their competitive practice and the territory or city that their team represents.

Each competitor must be in possession of an individual sports licence issued by their Federation. In the case of a Federation that does not issue a license, it must have a "sports accident" insurance stipulated by its Federation.

The Organising Committee will resolve any request or disagreement relating to the determination of the national or regional authority that a competitor represents.

6.3. FLAGS OF THE PARTICIPATING TEAMS

Each team must bring their national or regional flag, approximately 1.5 x 2.5 meters in size, and a CD/MP3 with the regional or national anthem.

7. INSCRIPTIONS

7.1. PRE-REGISTRATION

The participating authorities must communicate before May 15, 2024 by means of a pre-registration to the Organizing Committee:

- **The final number of sports disciplines your team will participate in**
- **The number of athletes your team includes**

THE PRE-REGISTRATION FORM FOR TEAMS AND ACCOMPANYING WILL BE FILLED IN AT THE FOLLOWING LINK: www.atlanticgamesguadiana2024.eu

7.2. REGISTRATION DEADLINES

Registrations must be made from March 1, 2024, on the website of the Atlantic Nautical Games 2024, by the participating entities.

The registration period is divided into 2 phases:

- **Phase 1: by May 15, 2024**
- **Phase 2: after May 15 and until June 21, 2024**

The following documents must be submitted:

- **Sports license** (countries or regions)
- **Certificate of civil liability insurance** (country or region without a federal license)
- **Parental Authorization** (for underage athletes: model available in www.atlanticgamesguadiana2024.eu)
- **Authorisation for the use of your image**

Registration will close on June 21, 2024 at 24:00 UTC.

Late registrations: The Organizing Committee reserves the right to accept registrations submitted after June 21, 2024.

7.3. REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee per participating athlete is calculated based on the following:

1. **Enrollment in Phase 1 or Phase 2.**
2. **Membership or not of the Atlantic Watersports Committee, presented by the organization to which the athlete belongs the organization to which the athlete belongs.**

The status of member of the Atlantic Nautical Commission is acquired upon payment of the fee. The price for the period 2024 – 2025 is set at 70 euros.

Subscription fees are defined as follows:

	NON-MEMBER ORGANIZATION	MEMBER ORGANIZATION
PHASE 1	50 euros per Athlete	40 euros per Athlete
PHASE 2	60 euros per Athlete	40 euros per Athlete

EXAMPLE FOR A TEAM OF 8 ATHLETES

	NON-MEMBER ORGANIZATION	MEMBER ORGANIZATION
PHASE 1	8 x €50 = €400	8 x €40 + €70 = €390
PHASE 2	8 x €60 = €480	8 x €40 + €70 = €390

Any registration that has not been paid or confirmed by the closing date of the registration period will be cancelled on June 21, 2024.

A competitor who participates in several sports (e.g. a competitor participating in open water swimming and lifeguarding) will have to pay as many entry fees as the number of the number of disciplines in which he/she wishes to participate.

A competitor who participates in several events of the same sport will only pay an entry fee.

All payments will be made to the bank account of the V.R.S.A. Organizing Committee with an address at:

IBAN: PT50 0033 0000 457014865653 05

7.4. REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

The registration and identification of each athlete must be confirmed on July 2 and 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. by the team managers at the General Secretariat of the Atlantic Nautical Games.

7.5. OBLIGATIONS OF PARTICIPATING ENTITIES

Participating entities have the obligation to:

- **Select the teams and designate those responsible for them.**
- **Collect information from competitors:** licenses and insurance certificates.
- **Send the information of the competitors, the entry forms and the Atlantic Games Regulations.**
- **Collect parental authorizations** (available on www.atlanticgames.eu) **and send them to the Organising Committee.**
- **Organising and financing transport to the competition city.**
- **Financing the accommodation and restoration of your equipment.**
- **It is recommended that each competitor has a European Health Insurance Card.**

8. ACCOMMODATION, CATERING/FOOD

8.1. HOSTING PLAN

The organization will provide information on recommended accommodation and the prices agreed with a specialized agency, and participants must make reservations in a timely manner directly with the agency.

Information will be provided well in advance about the social events to be held by the organization in the municipalities involved.

9. SAFETY

Special mention is made of compliance with the established safety standards, both in general and in particular to the respective sports modalities.

10. BOAT RENTAL

10.1. BOAT OR CANOE RENTAL

The Organization may propose the rental of a certain number of boats.

10.2. DEPOSIT FOR BOAT RENTAL

Participating teams must deposit a deposit of 500 euros (cheque or cash) at the time of confirmation of registration to cover possible damage, loss or deterioration that may be suffered by the nautical supports provided or rented. The deposit will be the limit of liability for each incident.

In the event that it is necessary to make partial or total use of this deposit, the affected competitor must return it to its initial amount in order to continue participating in the competition.

11. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

This provisional schedule will depend on the final competition announcements of each discipline.

Wednesday, July 3rd:

- **10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. PT:** Reception of delegations and participants and confirmation of registrations, at the competition secretariat of each of the venues.
- Reception at the competition venues and free practice sessions.
- **7:00 p.m. ES – 6:00 p.m. PT:** Opening ceremony followed by a social event in Ayamonte.

Thursday, July 4th:

- **10:00 a.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. PT:** Technical meetings of the team leaders at the competition venue.
- **From 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. PT:** Competitions in venues with schedules adapted to sports events.

Friday, July 5th:

- **10:00 a.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. PT:** Technical meetings with team leaders at the competition venue.
- **From 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. PT:** competitions in places with schedules adapted to sporting events.

Saturday, July 6th:

- **10:00 a.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. PT:** Technical meetings with team leaders at the competition venue.
- **From 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ES – 09:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. PT:** Competitions in venues with schedules adapted to sports events.
- **20:00h ES – 19:00h PT:** presentation of results and Closing Ceremony in Vila Real de Santo António, and collective awards ceremony.
- **21:00h ES – 20:00h PT:** Closing in Vila Real de Santo António

Sunday, July 7th: pick-up of boats, and organization of the trip of the participants.

The organization will be able to organize social events for the participants in their municipalities, which will be announced well in advance.

12. SCORES

The classifications will be conditional on the participation of at least three teams in each modality and event. If the participation is less than three teams, no classification will be established.

a) Individual Competition Ranking

The ranking system for individual athletes or crews in each event shall be defined in accordance with the Competition Instructions or Competition Rules for each discipline.

b) Team classification by sport

The team classifications of the Atlantic Games apply to all teams participating in the Atlantic Games, whether those teams compete in one or more sports or disciplines.

The classification of teams by sport ("Sport" Trophy) is established in accordance with the specific rules and practices of the federations. Failing this, the ranking shall be established by counting the number of gold medals (individual athlete or crew ranking) obtained by each team in the sport concerned.

c) General classification of the teams of the Atlantic Games

The Atlantic Games team rankings apply to all teams participating in the Atlantic Games, whether those teams compete in one or more sports or disciplines.

- The team ranking, all sports combined, ("Atlantic Games" Trophy) shall be constructed from the team rankings per sport. To establish it, the places of each team in each sport will be added up and the points will be distributed as follows: 1st = 1 point, 2nd = 2 points, 3rd = 3 points...

13. AWARDS (MEDALS/TROPHIES)

The prizes that will be awarded are as follows:

- **Individual medals** for the top three finishers in each event (if there are a minimum of three teams participating in each event).
- **"Sport" trophies** to the top three teams in each sport (provided there are a minimum of three teams participating in the sport in question).
- **"Atlantic Games" trophy** for the top three teams in all disciplines of the Games qualification (provided that a minimum of three teams participate).

14. SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

Specific instructions will be available to all persons participating in the competition at the time of confirmation of registration.

15. INTERNATIONAL JURY

Whenever possible, in all disciplines, the Organising Committee will appoint an international jury. Anti-doping controls may be carried out during the competition.

16. MEASUREMENT

Measurement checks will be carried out before the start of the tests and during the tests, on any vessel, to ensure compliance with the regulations.

17. RESPONSIBILITY

Persons who participate in these Games do so at their own risk. Neither the Organising Committee, nor the Atlantic Watersports Committee, nor any of the persons or organisations involved in the organisation of the event can be held liable for any injury, damage, loss of life or property caused during the Games.

Each participant is responsible for his/her participation or non-participation in a test. The Organizing Committee of the Bajo Guadiana 2024 Atlantic Nautical Games may demand payment for damages caused by the misuse of nautical facilities and official accommodation. It may expel any participant, or their companion, from the competition for misconduct or inappropriate behavior, regardless of the actions that may be taken by the respective jury.

18. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

All enquiries related to the Atlantic Nautical Games – Bajo/Baixo Guadiana 2024 should be sent to:

E-Mail: atlanticgamesguadiana2024@gmail.com

FINAL NOTE

THIS GENERAL CALL FOR THE COMPETITION MAY BE MODIFIED IN ALL ITS PARTS AT ANY TIME WITH THE PRIOR AGREEMENT OF THE COORDINATING ENTITIES OF THE SPORTS COMPONENT, THE GUADIANA NAVAL ASSOCIATION AND THE MUNICIPAL SPORTS BOARD OF AYAMONTE. THE UPDATED VERSION OF THIS GENERAL CALL WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITES OF THE ATLANTIC NAUTICAL GAMES 2024 AND THE ATLANTIC WATERSPORTS COMMITTEE www.atlanticgamesguadiana2024.eu AND www.atlanticgames.eu