

Confédération Mondiale des Activités Subaquatiques  
World Underwater Federation



2<sup>nd</sup> CMAS

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY & 1<sup>st</sup> VIDEO

**SPECIFIC REGULATIONS**

LA HERRADURA, GRANADA/ SPAIN

4<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2016

## 7. Specific Rules

### Introduction

The Organization of the European Underwater Visual Championship has been granted by CMAS to the FEDAS – Federación Española de Actividades Subacuáticas.

The dates set are 4<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2016.

The event will be held under the official authority of CMAS.

These Specific Rules complete **Specific Rules** of the International European General Rules.

### 7.1. Participation and Entry

- 7.1.1. All European Federations (Member of CMAS) interested in participating have to return no later than 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2016 the entry form (Enclosure A and C) to CMAS ([spo@cmas.org](mailto:spo@cmas.org)) with a copy to FEDAS ([fedas@fedas.es](mailto:fedas@fedas.es))
- 7.1.2. Each member federation or association can propose maximum a total team of 10 persons including 2 photographers, 2 photo assistants, 2 videographers, 2 video assistants (models) and one or two captains.
- 7.1.3. The federations should send to CMAS HQ the Enclosure B1, B2 and C of specific procedures and obligations with a copy sent to the FEDAS. [fedas@fedas.es](mailto:fedas@fedas.es)
- 7.1.4. The inscription fee payable to CMAS is € 92,00. This sum is payable to CMAS either by bank draft or bank transfer as detailed in the Entry Form ( Enclosure A)

### 7.2. Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting will be held on October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, at 16:00

#### 7.2.1. Participants:

- The organizing committee
- The head of the Hosting Organization Committee
- Persons in charge appointed by the Hosting Federation (doctor, diving boats)
- CMAS International Judge
- CMAS Delegate
- The President of the CMAS Visual Commission
- Team Captains and competitors

#### 7.2.2. Purpose of the meeting

- Allocate by draw a number to each competitor in order to use throughout the competition.
- The distribution of the teams on the boats and allocation by draw of the rotation of the boats on dive sites.
- Announce all the information concerning:
  - Technical matters
  - Time schedules and means of transport
  - Safety measures
  - Organization of the dives and handling of card memory
  - Guidelines for the protocol medal ceremony

### 7.3. Program/Schedule of the Event

\*Competition Program (Provisional)

#### 7.3.1. SCHEDULE OF 2<sup>nd</sup> CMAS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP OF UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY & 1<sup>st</sup> VIDEO 2016

Date	Activity
Tuesday, October 4th ..	09:00 Welcoming Cocktail. Accreditation.
	12.00 Lunch (not included in package)
	16.00 Technical Meeting
	19.30 Opening Ceremony
	20.30 Dinner at the Hotel
Wednesday, October 5th ..	06.30-07.30 Breakfast at the Hotel.
	08.00 Transfer to the Marina (Port).
	08.30 Photographic or Video Equipment Checkup.
	10.00 Departure of boats to the diving sites. Professional activities including two adaptation dives. (Lunch at the Marina).
	17.00 Return to the Marina after second dive.
	18.00 Transfer to the hotel.
	20:00 Dinner at the Hotel.
Thursday, October 6th ....	06:30-07:30 Breakfast at the Hotel.
	08:00 Transfer to the Marina.
	08.30 Photographic or Video Equipment Checkup.

	10:00 Departure of boats to the diving sites. Professional activities including two competition dives. (Lunch at the Marina).
	16:00 Return to the Hotel.
	20:00 Dinner at the Hotel.
Friday, October 7th	06:30-07:30 Breakfast at the Hotel.
	08:00 Transfer to Marina.
	08.30 Photographic or Video Equipment Checkup.
	10:00 Departure of boats to the dive sites. Professional activities including two competition dives photographers (Lunch at the Marina) and videographers (Lunch at the Hotel).
	11.00 Videographers Return to the Hotel.
	16.00 – 21.00 Videographers editing films.
	16.00 Photographers Return to the Hotel.
	20.00 Selection of images by the Photographers.
	21:00 Dinner at the Hotel.
Saturday, October 8th	07.00-08.00 Breakfast at the Hotel.
	07.30 Submission of images to the Jury for the contest.
	10.00 Jury Deliberation (10 best per category)
	12.00 Lunch at the Hotel.
	18.00 Public Judging at Cultural Center and projection of the prizewinning photos & video  Official Prize Awarding Ceremony.
	21.00 Dinner and Closing Gala.
Sunday, October 9th	06.30-07.30 Breakfast at the Hotel.
	08:00 Return all participants to Malaga Airport.

#### 7.4. Package Prices

The inscription in the championship should be made using the “inscription form” and send it to [fedas@fedas.es](mailto:fedas@fedas.es), no longer than 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2016.

**AT HOTEL BEST ALCAZAR ALMUÑECAR \*\*\*\***  
( <http://www.besthotels.es/es/hotel-costa-tropical/hotel-alcazar/6> )

It includes per person:

- Transfers Airport – Hotel –Airport or rent a Car
- A 5-night stay at the all-inclusive Hotel Best Alcazar Almuñecar, per person in double rooms.
- Welcoming Cocktail at the event
- Dinner and Closing Gala
- 4 Lunches and 4 Dinners
- Pack of two daily dives in different sites during the three days of competition and on boats with expert crew, diving instructor (judge).

<b>Package price for the event (in Euro)</b>		
All participants, assistances and captains	<b>Single room</b> <b>700</b>	<b>Double room</b> <b>650</b>

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## 7.5. Environmental conditions and others:

- Sea temperature: between 20-24 degrees Celsius
- Visibility: 10-20 meters.
- The transfer from the Marina to the Dive Site is of 5 to 20 minutes depending of the zone.
- Transfer from one Competition Site to another takes about 10 minutes.
- The Diving Centers has 12/15 -liter cylinders filled at 200 bars and there are also international connections.
- For any request of information concerning the championship, you can contact the Organizing Committee at: [davisual@fedas.es](mailto:davisual@fedas.es); [fedas@fedas.es](mailto:fedas@fedas.es)

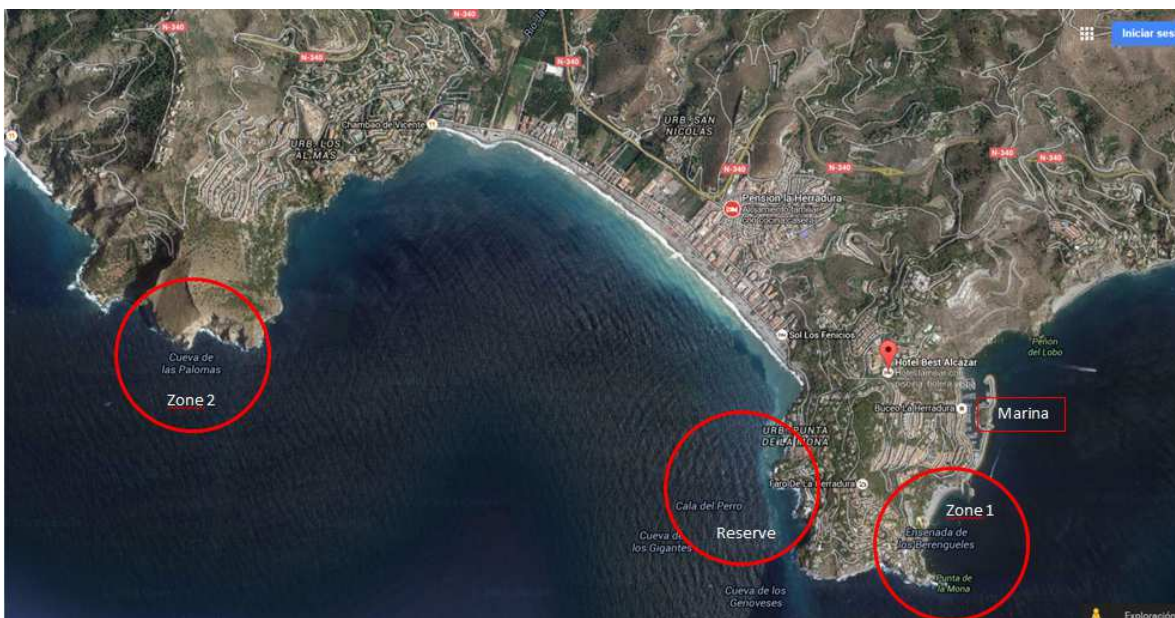
## 7.6. Photograph Categories

The 5 categories for the individual classification are:

- 7.6.1. Fish** (Fish Photo only (turtles, octopus, etc. are not accepted) involving nice attitudes of these creatures).
- 7.6.2. Close-up photo with a theme** (Macro or close-up photo of a theme. Each championship will have a subject or theme representative of the location of the competition. The theme will be nudibranchs)
- 7.6.3. Close-up photo without a theme.** (Macro or close-up photo of all subjects except fish or the theme of the championship as the main subject). Details of fish or of the theme are not accepted in this category).
- 7.6.4. Wide angle without diver.** (A wide angle photo without any diver showing the beauty of the natural underwater environment including fauna and flora).
- 7.6.5. Wide angle with diver.** (A wide angle photo including diver who may be the assistant; colored lights and half pictures are allowed in this category. **Freedivers are not allowed.**)

## 7.7. Competition Zones

There will be 4 (four) Competition Sites and 2 (two) as reserve.



The competition sites will be drawn in the organizing meeting and all competitors must equally pass by the same sites.

Only the CMAS International Judge is entitled to change the Competition Zones and use the reserve ones in case of inclemency of the weather or force majeure.

### **7.8. Photos & Video**

Selection of photos and video images see General Rules.

### **7.9. SAFETY MEASURES**

- 7.9.1.** The entry form submitted and signed by each participant ensures that all team members have no physical impediments to diving
- 7.9.2.** Competitors are responsible for their own safety during the competition events, and must observe as and when necessary the safety norms for underwater scuba-diving. Their very participation in the Zone Championships is a pledge of their familiarity with safety rules and procedures.
- 7.9.3.** All competitors and assistants are obliged to wear a stab jacket and use a regulator with pressure gauge.
- 7.9.4.** The competitors in addition should have an alternative air source (double regulator, regulator on jacket or pony bottle) as well as a float.
- 7.9.5.** The Organizing Committee will guarantee necessary assistance to provide proficient management of the competition and will have to provide the necessary information on emergency aid and any competent local emergency services.
- 7.9.6.** As a minimum requirement the organizers will provide all the necessary means of communication in case of emergency and oxygen supplies aboard will be available at the competition locations and will be used exclusively for this purpose.
- 7.9.7.** A doctor specialized in diving will be present at the competition site at all time.
- 7.9.8.** Each competition boat will have on board a spare dive tank equipped for safety reasons. Any use of these tanks may lead to the CMAS International Judge applying sanctions as it sees fit.

### **7.10. RESPONSIBILITIES**

Competitors will be responsible for equipment they are given during the Championship as well as for their personal equipment and accessories allowed in the competition.

### **7.11. PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT**

- 7.11.1.** Competitors and/or assistants should not touch the corals or move any creatures underwater. They have to avoid any manipulation or destruction of the fauna and flora during all the competition including the practice day.
- 7.11.2.** Competitors and assistants may be controlled during the practice day and the competition days.
- 7.11.3.** Neither the competitor nor the assistants may cause any damage to sea life. It is completely forbidden to:
  - damage sea urchins or any other living creature;
  - handle any species;

- move a dead animal or part of it to use it in an image;
- move living animals from one place to another;
- stir up the sediments or creating pollution on purpose;
- capture image living animals out of their natural environment;
- create air bubbles in caves for taking images;
- pull out algae, coral and mollusks and other seabed organisms;
- catch crabs, shrimps and lobsters;
- keep any species captive for taking images;
- use of elements alien to sea life.

**7.11.4.** In the case of destruction of the fauna or flora by a competitor and/or an assistant, where the destruction is duly confirmed by the CMAS International Judge, the competitor and/or the assistant may be excluded.