



**ORC European championship
2026 Klaipėda, Lithuania**

SUSTAINABILITY GUIDE FOR VISITORS



Dear Visitors,

While visiting the Regatta Village, we invite you not only to experience the exciting world of sailing, but also to play an active role in protecting our sea.

The ORC European Championship 2026 in Klaipėda is organised in accordance with the principles of the Sailors for the Sea Clean Regattas programme and aims to set a new benchmark for sustainable sailing events across the Baltic Sea region.

Throughout the Championship, we will implement a wide range of sustainability initiatives as we work towards achieving the highest level of Clean Regattas certification – Platinum Clean Regatta.

We invite you to join us in this commitment. Even the smallest everyday choices can help protect the Baltic Sea and preserve it for future generations.

You can support the event's sustainability goals through simple everyday actions, both on shore and by the water.

BRING A REUSABLE WATER BOTTLE

Single-use plastic water bottles will not be distributed during the event.

Water refill stations will be available at key event locations.

We encourage you to:

- Bring your own reusable water bottle.
- Refill it at the designated water stations.
- Help reduce plastic waste.

Water refill stations will be clearly marked throughout the event venue.

SORT YOUR WASTE

Clearly marked waste sorting stations will be available throughout the event venue.

Please dispose of your waste in the appropriate containers according to the signage provided.

If you are unsure where an item belongs, ask one of our volunteers or Green Team members.

Every correctly sorted item helps reduce the environmental impact of the event.

HELP PROTECT THE BALTIC SEA

The Baltic Sea is one of the world's most sensitive and environmentally vulnerable marine ecosystems.

Please help us protect it by:

- Never disposing of waste into the water.
- Respecting natural coastal areas and protected habitats.
- Protecting local wildlife and plant life.

Small actions make a big difference.



KEEP BEACHES AND THE COAST SMOKE-FREE

Cigarette butts are among the most common forms of litter found on beaches and coastal areas.

Please:

- Avoid smoking on beaches and along the coastline.
- Use designated smoking areas where provided.
- Never leave cigarette butts on the sand, near pontoons or in the water.

CHOOSE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

Whenever possible:

- Walk.
- Ride a bicycle.
- Use public transport.
- Share your journey with others.

Together we can reduce transport-related emissions and traffic around the event.

Information about public transport and bicycle parking facilities will be available at the Information Centre and on the event website.

SUPPORT SUSTAINABLE CHOICES

During the event:

- Use reusable cups, water bottles and food containers.
- Avoid single-use packaging and disposable tableware whenever possible.
- Choose vegetarian or plant-based meal options.
- Help reduce food waste.

Every sustainable choice matters.

JOIN OUR SUSTAINABILITY ACTIVITIES

We invite you to participate in:

- Sustainability initiatives taking place throughout the event.
- Educational activities focused on the Baltic Sea and marine conservation.

Further information will be available in the event programme and through our social media channels.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE

The success of the ORC European Championship 2026 will be measured not only by sporting achievements, but also by the positive legacy we leave for the environment, the city and the local community. Together we can demonstrate that world-class sailing events can also be organised responsibly and sustainably.

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