



*Promoter Aquabike Portugal*  
*Affiliated to Portuguese Powerboat Federation – UPD*

# ADVANCE PROGRAMME

AQUABIKE

ENDURANCE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

Portimão

Portugal

24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015



## 1- ORGANIZATION

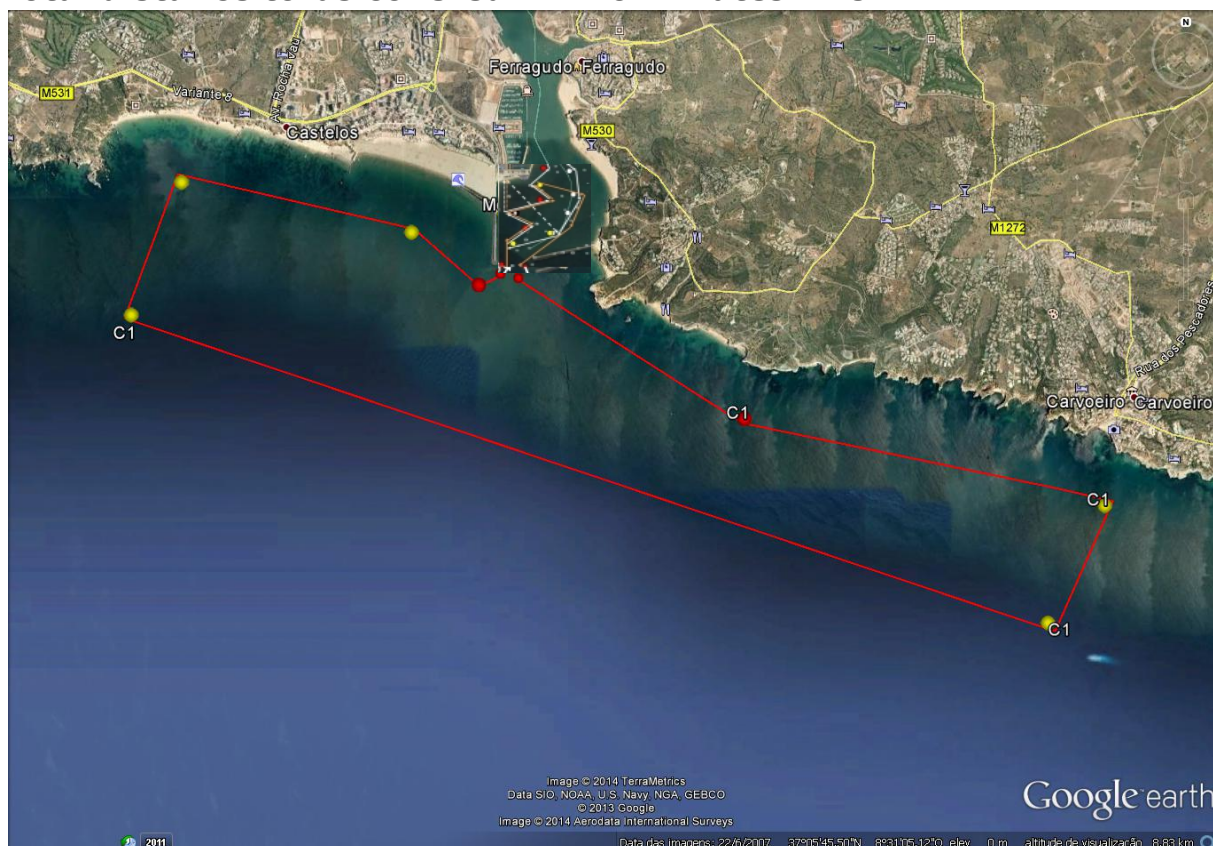
ABP - AQUABIKE PROMOTION Ltd, under the aegis of the U.I.M., FEDERAÇÃO PORTUGUESA DE MOTONÁUTICA and PROMOTORA LIVRE ASSOCIAÇÃO NÁUTICA MOTORIZADA jointly with the MUNICIPIO DE PORTIMÃO is organizing on **24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> April 2015 in Portimão - Algarve - Portugal the UIM-ABP EUROPEAN AQUABIKE ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP 2015**

## 2 - CIRCUIT

25<sup>th</sup> April 2015

The **Runabouts'** circuit will develop between the pier Rocha beach/ Carvoeiro beach /Vau beach, Rocha beach and Marina beach, with a circuit length of 10 nm to 10,7nm (+-19,5Km).

**Total distance to be covered in 120 minutes - 187km +-**



**Note: In case of bad water conditions of the sea the race will take place on the river**





The **Skis'** circuit will develop between Marina beach, entry bar, Marina beach, front port entry under the nostril

Total time:

April 25<sup>th</sup> race of 60 minutes duration

April 26<sup>th</sup> race of 90 minutes duration



RUNABOUTS SKI

26<sup>th</sup> April 2015

The **Runabouts'** circuit will develop between Marina beach/Barra do Alvor/Vau beach/Rocha beach/Marina beach with a circuit length of 10 nm to 10,7nm (+- 19,5Km).

**Total distance to be covered in 180 minutes – 280km +-**



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**Note: In case of bad water conditions of the sea the race will take place on the river**

### **Total circuits lengths :**

Runabout in 2 days 466Km

Ski in 2 days 2:30 hrs

## **3 – RULES AND FORMAT**

This event is organized under U.I.M. rules 2015 and specific regulations for the event.

All participants, organizers, commissioners, pilots, mechanics and assistants must be aware of UIM Rules and Regulations and have to stay within the limits of related regulatory provisions.

Only pilots holding a valid license delivered by a National Authority recognized by the UIM can apply for the compulsory UIM Superlicense  
License procedure from the following link:

[http://uimpowerboating.com/files/3914/2107/2355/Procedure\\_SL\\_Aquabike\\_2015\\_Complete\\_file.pdf](http://uimpowerboating.com/files/3914/2107/2355/Procedure_SL_Aquabike_2015_Complete_file.pdf)





**Daily license can be issued by the Race Secretariat at registrations upon presentation of all required documentation.**

The Pilots must provide a valid proof of insurance cover as requested by UIM Rules or pay to the local organizer on site at registration a one event insurance (amount TBA).

The races will take place on Saturday April 25th and Sunday April 26th.

### **COMPETITION FORMAT:**

**Saturday** beginning at 14h30 in a closed circuit 120 minutes “non stop” for Runabouts and at 17h00 for Skis with 60 minutes.

**Sunday** beginning at 09h30 for Skis with 90 minutes, and at 11h30 for Runabouts with 180 minutes.

- 1) 1:30 hrs for the skis and 3:0 hrs to the runabouts “non stop”.
- 2) Closed Pit compulsory between the 2 race days, closing 2 hours after the arrival of the last competitor and opening one hour before the start of the race
- 3) Time classification for the rounds with adding the times of the 2 rounds of the weekend and, for the Championship, attribution of points at the end of the race (UIM schedule of 25)
- 4) Penalties for refueling with Stop and Go

## **4 - CATEGORIES**

The authorized categories are **SKI and RUNABOUT.**

### **Categories - Endurance**

#### **Ski Division GP3**

#### **Ski GP1**



## Ski Veteran

### GP1 or GP3

Veteran: drivers over 45 years.

### Run GP3

### Run GP2

### Run GP1

### Run Veteran

### GP1/GP2 or GP3

Veteran: drivers over 45 years.

**Engines, propellers and accessories should be in accordance with the UIM rules or the specific rules of the event.**

**Consult technical regulation UIM 2015 Aquabike (Rules 2015)**

## 5 – INSCRIPTIONS AND COMMITEMENTS

The registrations for **RUNABOUTS and SKIS** will begin on Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> from 16h00 to 20h00, and on April 25<sup>th</sup> of 09:00 at 11:00

The access to the Paddock will be free of charge and open to the public.

In the Closed Pit is strictly forbidden to smoke.

The paddock will be beside the Clube Naval de Portimão

The Closed Pit will be guarded during Friday and Saturday night from 20:00 till next day at 07:00.

The maximum number of pilots per team will be 2 in Ski and in Runabout.

The maximum number of assistants will be 2 (ski) 4 (runabout) per team.





## 6 – TECHNICAL VERIFICATIONS AND DOCUMENTATION

The technical verifications will take place between 09h00 and 11h00 of Saturday (25<sup>th</sup> April), in the closed park.

The bikes should remain on the trailers or on proper dollies with the stickers of the race number, U.I.M, AQUABIKE, F.P.M., P.L.A.N.M., and/or others provided by the organization.

During the Technical verifications the pilots should remain near the bike, with all the equipment visible as well as the verifications form.

The participants should comply with the Portuguese navigation rules.

Bikes without approved technical verifications shall not be admitted to compete.

## 7 – DRIVERS BRIEFING

The drivers briefing will take place at the Secretariat located in the Clube Naval.

The attendance of the pilot to the drivers briefing is mandatory.

The absence of a pilot at the drivers briefing shall lead to the elimination from the competition.

The members of the various National Authorities, as well the 3 members of each team could attend to the drivers briefings which will be in English and translated to Portuguese and French.

The drivers briefing is conducted by the Race Director and by the UIM Commissioner.



A roll call will be made to check the presence of all participants.

## 8 – TIMEKEEPING

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## 9 – PADDOCK RULES

For vehicles, bikes, motorcycles, ATV, etc., the speed limit is 10 km/h in the entire event location.

Coloured bracelets are distributed to pilots, assistants, journalists and VIP's. The improper use of these access bracelets could lead to disciplinary sanctions to offenders.

All fuel tanks must be well stored, protected and secured, at least a distance of 5 m from any flame. An area especially reserved shall be designate by the Race Director for all fuel tanks.

Inspection of fuel tanks: these tanks will be subject to an inspection and acceptance by the Race Director and local fire department.

Fire extinguisher : each participant must place one fire extinguisher with an easy access inside its occupied area.

Refuelling: extreme caution should be taken when refuelling. Any spill on land may be object of penalty.

## 10 - RACE DIRECTION

The decisions of the Race Director are finals. If a rider is lodging a protest in due time as per UIM Rules, the Protest Judge will adjudicate on all protests and his decision will be final.

The Race Director is responsible for the realization of the competition. He is responsible for the project of the race courses.





The Race Director has the power to impose discipline established under the regulations regarding drivers, owners, sponsors and staff that accompanying the drivers (assistants, etc.). The sanctions will be limited to disqualification, exclusion of an event or the exclusion from the local race.

The official results will be approved and signed by the Race Director and UIM Commissioner.

The Race Director may finish or suspend the race or the event, for reasons of potential danger for the participants or spectators only on his own judgement.

For those cases, the organizer must determine if they take prizes or trophies, if any.

The Race Director can short a race or event, for any reason, but before he should explain to the participants.

The Race Director can stop, pause or stop the on going of the race due to potential danger for participants or spectators, or the method of counting positions is defective. If a race is interrupted after more than half of the stipulated time can be considered complete.

The Race Director may decide the method of laps counting, and equipment of conditions and time dimensions monitoring, and can demand technical inspectors to make a technical inspection where he feels the need.

Race Commissioners (including, but not limited to Race Director) cannot participate as drivers in the races where they are appointed as "officials".

The safety at sea will be responsibility of a Sport Director of the Portuguese Powerboat Federation under control of the Race Director.

## 11 – GENERAL RULES OF COMPETITION

Identification of competitors and assistants:

All the pilots and their assistants to enter in restricted areas must use an identification bracelet.

Abandonment of the race:



If a pilot abandons the race, the pilot or the team must notify immediately the Race Director. The pilot or his team may be punished by non-information or lack of information within a reasonable time.

Responsibility of the competitor:

It is responsibility of the pilot to notify the closer race Commissioner in case he/she sees another competitor hurt or in difficulties.

Missing Buoys:

If a pilot does not make a buoy correctly or not pass to one or more buoys will be penalized with a "stop and go".

The decision time will be proportional to the pilot error at the criteria of the Race Director.

### Identification of buoys:

**Red Buoy:** turn left.

**Yellow Buoy:** turn right.

**Blue buoys and others colours:** special effects (the Race Director will explain their use during the briefing)

### Finish line:

The finish line will be marked by two special buoys.

## 12 – SPORTS RULES

### Driving in the circuit:





Being on the circuit is only permitted with the authorization of the Race Director. A pilot may be penalized if he behaves on a dangerous way in the circuit, if deliberately hits or damages buoys along the course, if he has an unsporting behaviour during the race. In the case of a group of persons belonging to a team or a brand have incorrect behaviours; all this persons can be penalized according with the decision of the Race Director. The penalty can be up to expulsion of the race local.

### **Blocking:**

Blocking the line of a fastest pilot will be subject to sanctions by the Race Director.

### **Head or tail of the race:**

It is absolutely forbidden walk against the race direction. A pilot who is the head or tail of the race, if it falls, is authorized to return to the race, taking care that this is only possible if this action does not prevent a collision course with other competitors. These have priority. Pilots flowing in the wrong direction of the race will be disqualified.

### **Obstruction:**

If for any reason, a pilot is forced to stop on or near a circuit buoy the first obligation is to alert about its position immediately face the other pilots, avoiding the obstruction to its competitors.

### **Overtaking:**

The pilot must always be ready to make overtaking and should also be aware of others pilots who will try to overtaking him soon.

### **Hand Signals:**

The pilot who has fallen or is no longer on its machine should raise the hand to indicate that he is not hurt and that he does not need help. The return of the race must be done safely and taking into account the arrival and the priorities of the others pilots.

### **Support in Race:**



The pilot can have assistance in the race course by the commissioners. If the competitor during the time of the race course becomes dangerous for the others can be penalized. The decision taken by the Race Director is definitive.

If a mechanical assistance or other is necessary, the pilot must absolutely leave the race course. To do this he can ask to be towed by a commissioner.

If he does it through trailer, he can return in the race with a penalization in time indicated during the briefing.

### 13- START PROCEDURES

The Race Director will explain the start process during the briefing before the departure.

Depending on the configuration of the water, three types of exits are possible: le Mans, in Row or Launched.

The Race Director can punish any competitor whose starting method is not in accordance with the rules set in the briefing.

#### **Delay in grid:**

When a pilot is not in a starting grid alignment he can leave after the passage of the last pilot in the mark and always in the same direction.

### 14 - REASONS OF STOPPING OF **THE RACE** AND PROCEDURES FOR THE SECOND START

#### **PROCEDURES FOR STOPPING:**

Each pilot is free to stop in the boxes area determined on briefing, at any time of the race.

To exit the circuit of the race, the pilot must have the utmost vigilance or gradually deviate from the circuit to appear in the entrance of the box area.

The entry to the box area is regulated by a commissioner which allows or not that the pilot can stop in the entrance of the boxes.





In the first case, the pilot should take the machine to 5 knots (9 km / h), enter and leave the area designated for refuelling. The pilot can be penalized if exceeds this speed.

The filling of tanks and supplies should be done in areas designated by the Race Director.

## 15 - REFUELLING

By security reasons, the assistance is limited to 2/4 assistants + pilot and second pilot, identified by bracelets that allow the access to the area, to the staging area and park. In case of non compliance with this rule the team will be penalized.

Smoking is absolutely always forbidden.

The Race Director can forbid the method of refuelling if, in his opinion, represents a danger to the pilots, assistants or spectators.

The refuelling can be done by cans or tower.

### **CANS :**

Maximum capacity by recipient: 30/45 liters

The recipient must be certified to support hydrocarbons.

The simultaneous filling will be limited to two recipients.

Pressurizing is prohibited on recipients (gravity only).

### **TOWER:**

Capacity up to 70 liters.

Free Format.

Total maximum height: 2 meters



Maximum filling tube: 3 meters (valves).

Maximum inner of the tube diameter: 60 mm.

Mandatory 1/2 turn off valve outside the tower.

Mandatory 1/2 turn off valve outside the tower a few centimeters before the filling port.

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Tower base with a minimum of 3 meters till a maximum of 4 meters.

Each leg should be adjustable to a height of between 10 and 40 cm, in order to adapt to any type of terrain.

Air escape is mandatory. Must be mounted at the top of the tower and turned into the front to the floor.

The refuel of the Tower must be done without taking any part of the device and using a manual bomb device.

Fluid will flow only by gravity the tower can be used by several teams. Only one person by team is certified to fill.

The Technical Commissioner or the Race Director of the event reserves the right to control the equipment of a pilot and to reject it in case of non compliance with the minimums standards of security.

The pilot will be penalized with a stop and go if he/she spreads gasoline on land or in water.

**When refuelling, the usage of a carpet is mandatory (4x3)**

**GP1/GP2 and GP3 can use the fast filling system.**



## 16 – PROTESTS AND APPEALS

### **403 – PROTEST PROCEDURES**

#### **403.01 – VALIDITY OF PROTESTS**

Only a driver may protest against facts pertaining only to the races in which he takes part.

Joint protests signed by several drivers will not be considered.

All protests must be in writing - type written or hand written in printed characters in English.

It must state the reason for the protest and be accompanied by any relevant documents that shall provide evidence within the given time and any protest fee as stipulated by the Race Organiser.

All protests must be signed by the protester.

The protest must be handed to the Race Secretariat who must, in the presence of the protester, record the time of receipt.

Any costs involved in verification are to be borne by the losing party.

A written protest can be withdrawn by the protester; he then loses the protest fee.

#### **403.02 – PROTEST FEE**

The amount of the Protest fee must be decided by the National Authorities and it must be published in the advance programme. The maximum amount for a Protest fee will be decided by the UIM General Assembly. It will be 80 €, or an equivalent sum in the national currency.

#### **403.04 – TIME OF LODGING A PROTEST/ PROTEST PERIOD**

A protest regarding the qualification of a boat, a motor, or a driver must be made before the drivers briefing. Starting in a race is considered as acceptance of the conditions and the eligibility of the other competitors. The only exception to the above is when the protester can prove the facts were not given to him before the drivers briefing, then a protest can be lodged up to one hour after the posting of the results.

Any other protest must be lodged within one hour of the first results being posted with the following exceptions:

A protest of a driver (driver "A") against another driver (driver "B") can be lodged within 30 minutes after the posting of the protest form according to rule 404.03 if driver "B" has been penalized and himself protested against this penalty. Without lodging such a protest driver "A" shall not be entitled to appeal against the protest judge decision.

A protest against any other decision, posted after the posting of the first results can be lodged within one hour after the posting of this decision.

#### **403.05 – JUDGEMENT**

Decisions by the Protest judge shall be reached by simple majority of votes. In the case of equal votes, the Chairman's vote will be the casting vote.

In the event of a protest, penalties may be agreed, rejected or changed by the protest judge.

***If a protest is upheld by the Protest judge, the fee must be returned to the protester.***

Any judgement pronounced by the Protest judge stays in effect until altered by the Appeal Board.

#### **403.06 – NOTIFICATION OF DECISION**

All decisions by the protest judge, ***the minutes of the meeting and the justification of the decision*** must be notified to the concerned parties in writing, including their right of appeal.

#### **403.07 – AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS**

All documents relevant to any decision by the Protest judge must be filed with the organising N.A. and held available for a higher authority until the time limit for an appeal has expired.





## 17 – PRIZES GIVING

The prizes giving will take place on Sunday April 26th, at 16h30/17h00, on Podium.

The prizes will only be delivered to the pilots present.

The undeliverable prizes will be given to a charity organization.

## 18 – PRIZE MONEY

The prize money will be distributed to the pilots upon publication of the final results.

### PRIZE MONEY

A minimum of 8 riders ski, 15 riders runabout GP1, 10 riders GP2 and GP3 per class must be registered to get prize money for each categories.

# RANK	SKI GP1	SKI GP3	RUNABOUT GP1	RUNABOUT GP2	RUNABOUT GP3
1	300 €	300 €	1.200 €	800 €	800 €
2	200 €	200 €	800 €	500 €	500 €
3	140 €	140 €	400 €	300 €	300 €

Note:

The prize money will be reduced to 50% if a minimum of 6 riders in Ski, 10 riders runabout GP1, 6 riders GP2 and GP3.

## 19 – INSCRIPTIONS

**The entry forms should be sent up to 40 days before the event.**



## 20 - SCHEDULES

### REGISTRATIONS

24<sup>th</sup> – 16h/20h

25<sup>th</sup> – 08h/10h

### TECHNICAL VERIFICATIONS

25<sup>th</sup> – 09h/11h00

#### BRIEFING:

25<sup>th</sup> – 11h00

26<sup>th</sup> – 08h00

#### RACES:

25<sup>th</sup> – 14h30/16h30 – Runabout

25<sup>th</sup> – 17h00/18h00 – Ski

26<sup>th</sup> – 09h30/11h00 – Ski

26<sup>th</sup> – 11h30/14h30 – Runabout

#### PRIZE GIVING:

16h00/17h00

## 21 - DESTRUCTION OF DEMARCATION BUOYS

The destruction of one turn buoy implies the payment of **an amount in €** (value to be informed in drivers meeting) increased to the penalties of U.I.M. for the pilot, and should be paid immediately before the next practices, race or podium.

## 22 - TITLES

### UIM CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS TITLE

To allot a title of Continental Champion, the competition must have a minimum of four Nations participating, and two Nations by classes.



ENDURANCE:

Ski GP1 | SKI GP3 | SKI VETERAN

RUNABOUT GP1 | RUNABOUT GP2 | RUNABOUT GP3 | RUNABOUT VETERAN

## 23 – CASES OMITTED

UIM Aquabike Rules 2015 will be applied  
<http://uimpowerboating.com/rules/aquabike/>

## 24 – REGISTRATION FORM AND PRICE LIST

The pre-registration will be sent until April 12 to:  
[promotalivre@gmail.com](mailto:promotalivre@gmail.com)

Registration fees must be requested to the Promotora Livre

## 25 – ACCOMMODATION

The Portuguese organization offers 1 night in 1 apartment (accommodation only) for each Team (4 people)

## 26 – OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATION RACE HOTEL

### APARTAMENTOS PRESIDENTE

Estrada do Vau – Vau/Praia da Rocha 8500-802  
Portimão







## 27 – OTHERS INFORMATIONS

### Hotels

#### Tivoli Marina Portimão

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8500-843 Portimão  
Algarve - Portugal  
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#### Hotel Júpiter

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## Hotel Rocha

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## Alvor Baia Hotel Apartamento

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## RESTAURANTS

### Restaurante Taberna da Maré

Travessa Barca 9  
8500-755 PORTIMÃO



### Restaurante Mistral

Avenida Comunidade Lusíada  
8500 Portimão  
Tel: 282 427 719







## Churrasqueira da Rocha



## Restaurante do Cais

Edifício Clube Naval de Portimão  
Zona Ribeirinha  
8500-503 Portimão





**PIZARIA LA DOLCE VITA**  
**Praia da Rocha**



**GELATARIA NOSOLO ITÁLIA**  
**Praia da Marina**







## Airports

### Faro International Airport– 60 Km



### Lisbon International Airport – 268 Km





## POSTER





# Pre-registration Form

## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP ENDURANCE

### PORTUGAL | ALGARVE | PORTIMÃO

### 25/26 April 2015

Name	1. ° Pilot	CC	2. ° Pilot	CC	Race Number
Surname	1. ° Pilot		2. ° Pilot		
Address	1. ° Pilot			City Country Zip Code	Phone and E-mail
Date of birth	1. ° pilot	2. ° pilot	Assistants		Name 1. ° assistant Name 2. ° assistant
Federation	1. ° pilot	License National	1. ° pilot	<b>CATEGORY</b>  SKI GP1 SKI GP3 SKI VETERANS RUNABOUT GP1 RUNABOUT GP2 RUNABOUT GP3 RUNABOUT VETERANS	I will participate in following categorie:  <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>SKI</b>  <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>RUNABOUT</b>  <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text"/> </div>
	2. ° pilot	License UIM	1. ° pilot		
			2. ° pilot		

**TEAM NAME:**

**SPONSORS:**

(maximum 3 of team)

#### PWC BRAND

POLARIS

KAWASAKI

YAMAHA

SEADOO

HSR

BENELLI

FZ

SEND UP to 12 APRIL for @

Location and date

Signature of 1. ° pilot