

The Nautical Club of Thessaloniki under the auspices of the Hellenic Sailing Federation and the Municipality of Thessaloniki organizes the ALEXANDER THE GREAT CUP from 20 July to 23 July 2015

#### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**[DP]** denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.
- 1.2 Appendix P will apply as amended: rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

## 2. [DP][NP] Identification CAMERAS & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.

## 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the ground floor of the NcTh

# 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of the first races of a day will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

# 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the NcTh signal pole between 09:00 and 20:00.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

#### 6. SCHEDULE



Widhday 20 July	11:00 – 20:	OU Registration
Tuesday 21 July	09:00 – 11:00 Registration	
	13:00	1st warning signal
Wednesday 22 July	12:00	1st warning signal
Thursday 23 July	12:00	1st warning signal

19:00 Awards

6.1 Nine (9) races are scheduled. Three (3) races are scheduled to be sailed every day. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no fleet becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to sailing instruction 4.

20.00

- 6.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange (start) flags defining the starting line will be displayed with one sound for at least five (5) minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 6.3 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 17:00.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

Monday 20 July

470 men: Blue flag with white class insignia 470 women: Pink flag with blue class insignia

## 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Appendix A show the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 Courses will not be shortened. This changes rule 32
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg and the course that the starting class will sail.

## 9. MARKS

- 9.1 Mark 1,2, 4s-4p will be **yellow** cylindrical inflatable buoys. Marks 3s-3p will be **yellow** conical inflatable buoys
- 9.2 New marks S.I. 11 will be **orange** conical inflatable buoys.
- 9.3 The starting marks will be the race committee starting boat at the starboard end displaying RC yellow flag and a boat displaying an orange flag at the port end.
- 9.4 The finishing marks will be the race committee finishing boat at the port end displaying a blue flag with letters Finish and a mark with a staff displaying a flag with the letters 'FINISH'

## 10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between two (2) staffs displaying an orange flag with the letters **start** on the starting marks.
- 10.2 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of the boat's hull, crew or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark



during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but will not if the race is re-started, re-sailed, postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26 Starting Races. When flag U is used as the preparatory signal rule 29.1 Individual recall does not apply. The scoring abbreviation for a flag U penalty is UFD. This changes A11 Scoring Abbreviations.

- 10.3 **[DP]** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 50 meters from the starting line and marks in all direction
- 10.4 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rule A4 AND A5.
- 10.5 When there is a subsequent race on the same day, identification of boats scored OCS or BFD in the previous race will be displayed from the RC signal boat before the next warning signal.
- Races will be started as follows, according to RRS 26 as alerted below: 10.6 Time before start signal sound signal 5minutes Warning 1sound 4 minutes Preparatory 1 sound (P, I, U or Black flag) (P, I, U or Black flag) lower 1 minute 1 sound 0 minutes 1 sound Start

## 11. CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay the **new mark** S.I. 9.2 (or move the finishing line) as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

## 12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between two (2) staffs displaying blue flag with letters finish on the finish marks

#### 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 13.2 Appendix P will apply.

#### 14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES



14.1 Time limits and target times are as follows

Time Limit Target Time Mark 1 Time Limit Finish Window 75 min 50 min 25 min 15 min

- 14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 14.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 14.4 Boats failing to finish within 15min after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

#### 15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 For each fleet, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room beginning at the time posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 30 minutes before the end of the protest time.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or international jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 A list of boats having been penalized under Appendix P for breaking RRS 42 will be posted
- 15.6 Breaches of rules in the sailing instructions marked **[NP]** will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 15.7 Penalties for RRS, the EIR, class rules or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP] are at the discretion of the international jury. A boat may accept a discretionary penalty for the breaches stated above before a hearing concerning the same incident by completing a form available at the jury office.
- 15.8 On the last day of racing, a request for redress based on the jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 15.9 On the last race day, requests for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
  - a. within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day,
  - b. no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

#### 16. SCORING

- 16.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
  - a. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - b. When five to nine races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.



- 16.2 When a tie in the series points between two or more boats after application of rule A 8.1 still remains, it will be broken in favor of the boat with the best score in the first race in which the tied boats raced and scored differently. This changes rule A8.2
- 16.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

## 17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A boat abandoning a race shall inform the race committee as soon as possible and lodge the relevant application form at the race office.
- 17.2 Every rescue boat (including coach boats) shall be equipped with special ribbons supplied by the organizing committee. The ribbons shall be used by tying them around the lowest part of the forestay, in case that a boat is abandoned but the crew is safe.

# 18. [DP] SUBSTITUTION OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the jury.
- 18.2 Substitution of lost or damaged equipment will not be allowed without approval of the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be lodged at the race office at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 19. [DP][NP] EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT INSPECTION

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and the Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## 20. [DP] SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1 Support boats shall register at the race office. The drivers shall present their relevant license, are responsible for their movements and shall wear the quick-stop.
- 20.2 All support boats shall have third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 540.000€.
- 20.3 During any starting sequence, support boats shall stay at least 50 meters below the starting line and its extensions.
- 20.4 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing, from the time of the warning signal for a class' race until all boats in all classes have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. To observe the race, support boats will be able to move from leeward to windward through the sides of the course keeping well clear of the course area, approximately 50 meters outside of the laylines and the starting marks. Race committee vessels may indicate a support boat to move further from the course area, in which case the mentioned boat shall do so immediately.



#### 21. OFFICIAL BOATS

- 21.1 Race committee starting boat will fly yellow flag with letters RC
- 21.2 Race committee finishing boat will fly blue flag with letters finish
- 21.3 Other race committee boats will fly **orange** flags.
- 21.4 Jury boats will fly white flags with the letters 'I J'
- 21.5 Press boats will fly green flags with the letters 'MEDIA'
- 21.6 Rescue boats will fly red flag with letters 'RESQUE'
- 21.7 Actions of an official boat will not be grounds for a request of redress by a boat.

# 22. [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not throw thrash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## 23. [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

#### 24. PRIZES

- 24.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats of each class, except if there are less than four entries in a class a prize will be awarded to the first boat.
- 24.2 Perpetual trophies will be awarded to the winners.

#### 25. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 25.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk (RRS 4, Decision to Race).
- 25.2 The organizing authority and any other party involved in the organization of the races will not accept any liability for any material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the races.

#### 26. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 540.000 €.

#### 27. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in this championship, a competitor automatically grants to the organizing authority and the sponsors of the championship the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the championship, and of all of his or her material related to the championship, without compensation



# Appendix A (Courses)



