



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Open Dutch Championship

Laser Master class

Organised by Zeilvereniging Belterwiede

Under the auspices of the Royal Netherlands Watersport Association (RNWA)

From 25th to 28th May 2017

location: Waterpark Beulaker haven Veneweg 292 7946 LX Wanneperveen, The Netherlands

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

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

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing”

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The ‘Rules for Championships. Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding’ will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the original text will take precedence.
- 1.4 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall have the required license.
- 1.5 Arbitration will be used for breaches of part 2 RRS. Addendum AR of these sailing instructions applies.


2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at Waterpark Beulaker haven Veneweg 292 7946 LX Wanneperveen.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at flag mast located at Waterpark Beulaker haven Veneweg 292 7946 LX Wanneperveen .
- 4.2 When flag AP  is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of races

5.1 Dates of racing

| Date: | Class: Laser Standard | Class: Laser Radial & 4.7 |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 25 May | 2 races | 2 races |
| 26 May | 3 races | 3 races |
| 27 May | 3 races | 3 races |
| 28 May | 2 races | 2 races |





5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal of the races on each day is:

| | | | |
|--------|---------|------------------|--|
| 25 May | Race 1 | Laser Standard | Warning signal 12:55 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | 10 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard |
| | Race 2 | Laser Standard | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 1 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 1 |
| 26 May | Race 3 | Laser Standard | Warning signal 10:25 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | 10 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard |
| | Race 4 | Laser Standard | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 3 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 3 |
| | Race 5 | Laser Standard | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 4 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 4 |
| 27 May | Race 6 | Laser Standard | Warning signal 10:25 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | 10 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard |
| | Race 7 | Laser Standard | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 6 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 6 |
| | Race 8 | Laser Standard | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 7 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 7 |
| 28 May | Race 9 | Laser Standard | Warning signal 09:55 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | 10 minutes after a valid start of the Laser Standard |
| | Race 10 | Laser Standard | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 9 |
| | | Laser Radial/4.7 | A.s.a.p. after the finish of Race 9 |

One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule.

5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14:00 hours.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Laser Standard | Flag D |
| Laser Radial & 4.7 | Flag G |

7 RACING AREAS

7.1 Attachment A shows the location of racing area.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The approximate course length will be 45 minutes.



9 MARKS

9.1 Mark 1,2,3,4, 5 will be yellow cylinders
Mark 1A, will be a Skippy ball

9.2 The starting marks will be a buoy with staf displaying an orange flag and an orange flag on the starting vessel.
The finish marks will be a buoy with staf displaying a blue flag and a blue flag on the finish vessel.

10. RESERVE

11. THE START

11.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 RRS with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be between a buoy with staf displaying an orange flag on the port end and an orange flag displayed on the starting vessel on the starboard end of the line.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall sail at least 50 meters away from and to leeward of the starting line during the starting sequence for other races.

11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4 and A5 RRS.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12.2 When it is not possible to change the position of the original marks, the course may be reset using one or more new marks. When new marks are already in use, the course may be reset using original marks.

12.3 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between a buoy displaying a blue flag at the port end and a blue flag on the finish vessel at the starboard end of the line.

14 RESERVE

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 Time limits are as follows:

| Class | Time limit Mark 1 | time limit | target time |
|------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| Laser Standard | 30 minutes | 75 minutes | 45 minutes |
| Laser Radial/4.7 | 30 minutes | 75 minutes | 45 minutes |

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

15.2 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a) RRS.



- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes 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 RRS.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office located at the
Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 For each class, 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, whichever is later.
- 16.3 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 jury room, located at the Waterpark Beulaker haven Veneweg 292 7946 LX Wanneperveen, beginning at asap after the last race of the day.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) RRS.
- 16.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 14.3, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 RRS or have been disqualified by the jury will be posted.
- 16.6 Breaches of instructions marked with [DP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a) RRS. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 16.7 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66 RRS.
- 16.8 On the last scheduled day of racing and after the last qualifying race a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2 RRS.
- 16.9 A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes rule 65.2 RRS.
- 16.10 A request for correction of an error in the published results has to be delivered within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 60 minutes after posting of the results, if this is later. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the boat is informed that the request is not granted. This changes rule 62.2 RRS.

16.11 RESERVE

17 SCORING

- 17.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2
- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 5 up to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When more the 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her Race scores excluding her 2 worst score.



18 [NP]DP SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. Replacement of the responsible person is not allowed.

19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee.

19.3 The rig chosen at the start of the event has to be used for the whole event

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

20.2 The standard Mark II sail is allowed as well as the original standard rig sail.

21 RESERVE

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: White flag with "RC" or "JURY"

23 [NP][DP] SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

24 [NP]DP TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. A penalty for breaking rule 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. This changes rule 64.1.

25 RESERVE

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27 [NP][DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. VHF will only be used for safety communication.



28 PRIZES

- 28.1 Helmsman of the winning boat of the championship of each fleet (standard and radial) acquire the title "Dutch Champion" and receive the accompanying medal(s) of the RNWA. The responsible person of the winning boat in his fleet acquires the Blue Pennant of the RNWA. Helmsman of the boats that are places second and third in their fleet acquire also medal(s) of the RNWA. Other prizes will be given as follows:

Standard:

- Apprentices
- Masters
- Grand Masters
- Great Grand Masters

Radial:

- Apprentices
- Masters
- Grand Masters
- Great Grand Masters
- Legends
- Ladies

4.7:

- Overall

- 28.2 Amount of prizes will be as follows:

For each category with:

- 3 to 5 competitors: 1 prize
- 6 to 10 competitors: 2 prizes
- 11+ competitors: 3 prizes

- 28.3 The minimum number of competitors per category is 3. In case of less competitors, the competitor(s) will compete in the next available higher class.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4 RRS. Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

30 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.500.000 per event or the equivalent.

31 ORGANISATION

The race officer is: Job Habraken
Chairman protest committee: Joep Straus



Addendum AR; Arbitration

If stated in the Sailing Instructions arbitration will be used when applicable and this addendum will apply

- a. All protests involving a rule of RRS part 2 or RRS 31 and involving only two boats will be subject to arbitration. In this case 20 % in RRS 44.3(c) is changed in 30%.
- b. RRS 44.1 is changed to permit a boat to take a scoring penalty as calculated in the changed RRS 44.3(c) during the arbitration hearing.
- c. RRS 63.1 is changed by adding: The arbitrator may allow a protest to be withdrawn without the approval of the protest committee.
- d. After a protest is lodged, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator unless the protestor requests that the protest be withdrawn. No witnesses will be allowed.
- e. After taking evidence from each representative, the arbitrator will render his opinion:
 - e1 The protest is invalid or no boat broke a rule. If the protestor agrees the protest may be withdrawn. If the protestor disagrees, the protest committee will hear the protest.
 - e2 One or both boats broke a rule. The boat(s) breaking a rule may accept a penalty as mentioned in the changed RRS 44.3(c) and the protest may be withdrawn. If not the protest committee will hear the protest. Rule 64.1(b) applies at a boat that has accepted an arbitration score penalty.
 - e3 The arbitrator decides a full protest hearing is required. In which case the protest committee will hear the protest.
- f. The abbreviation ARB will be used for an arbitration scoring penalty. This is added to RRS A11.

Attachment A

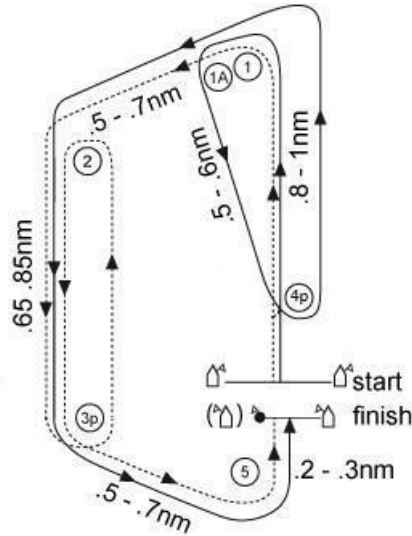
RACING AREA





Attachment B

COURSE DIAGRAM



Course 1 Outer Loop:

Start – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 5 - Finish

Course 1 Inner Loop:

Start – 1 – 1A – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 5 – Finish

Course 2 Outer Loop:

Start – 1 – 1A – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – 5 – Finish

Course 2 Innerloop:

Start – 1 – 1A – 4 – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 5 - Finish

All indicated distances between marks are recommended: the shorter up to 9 Kn wind speed; the longest over 9 Kn and have to be balanced considering of the current an all other sea conditions to reach the time target of 45 minutes.

MARKS

- Mark 1,2,3,4, 5 will be yellow cilindres
- Mark 1A, will be a skippy ball
- Starting marks will be staffs displaying an orange flag on a buoy and on the start vessel .
- Finish marks will be staffs displaying a blue flag on a buoy and on the finish vessel.

