

2014 Zoom 8 Boy's and Girl's European Championships

15-20.04.2014

Romanian Royal Yacht Club & Romanian Yachting Federation
Constanta, Romania

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix P will apply.
- 1.4 Competitors shall wear personal floatation devices all times while afloat. This changes part 4 preamble and rule 40.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes rule 63.7.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 Each day while racing, the first, second and third boats in series ranking at the beginning of the day shall display a yellow, blue and red sticker respectively. The organizing authority will supply the stickers and instructions for their use.
- 2.2 For Girls' class, boats shall display a coloured band or ribbon. The organizing authority will supply the bands or ribbons and instructions for their use.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) from the Race Office located in the administrative building of Tomis Marina,

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 18.00 on the day before it will take effect.

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5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole located at the Race Office location. When a signal is displayed over a fleet flag it applies to that fleet only.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6 FORMAT OF RACING For both classes the regatta will consist of a single series.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 Registration: 15.04.2014 from 9 am to 17 pm.

Measurement and Inspection: 15.04.2014 from 9 am to 17 pm.

A practice race is scheduled for 15.04.2014

7.2 Dates of racing are from 16.04 until 19.04.2014

Number of races:

| <i>Class</i> | <i>Number</i> | <i>Races per day</i> |
|--------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Boy's | 12 | 3 |
| Girl's | 12 | 3 |

7.3 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to instruction 3.

7.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 14 pm.
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 11 am.

7.5 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound, at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

7.6 On the last day no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

8 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

| <i>Class</i> | <i>Flag</i> |
|--------------|-------------|
| Girl's | Yellow |
| Boy's | Blue |

9 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the outside waters of Tomis Marina. Attachment B shows the location of the racing area.



10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the course signals and the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display course designations and course signals as shown in the course diagram.
- 10.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

11 MARKS

- 11.1 Marks 1, 2, 3S, 3P, 4S, 4P and 5 will be orange buoys.
New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be yellow buoys.
- 11.2 The starting marks will be race committee boats. The finishing marks will be a race committee boat on the starboard end of the line and an orange buoy on the port end.
- 11.3 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 13.2.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 12.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling 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.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark when the race committee displays a blue flag or shape. This instruction does not apply when rule 32.2 does.

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15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Appendix P will apply as changed by instruction 15.2.
- 15.2 Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 15.3 **Whistle system:**
To encourage boats to take penalties afloat, jury members may blow a whistle when they believe to have seen any breach of a rule.

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

| <i>Time limit</i> | <i>Mark 1 Time Limit</i> | <i>Target time</i> |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 75 mins | 25 mins | 50 mins |

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

16.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 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.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the administrative building of Tomis Marina. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 (a) For each fleet, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or after instruction 16.2 has been applied to that race or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
(b) If rule N1.4(b) applies, the time limit for requesting a hearing under that rule is 30 minutes after the party was informed of the panel's decision.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after 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.
- 17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.5 A list of boats that under instruction 15.1 have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 17.6 Breaches of instructions 2, 12.2, 19, 24, 26 and 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.



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- 17.7** On the last scheduled day of racing a request 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.

- 17.8** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

- 17.9** Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

18 SCORING

- 18.1** 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 18.2** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When from 10 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

- 18.3** To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1** The requirements of this instruction are specified for the safety of competitors.

A "sign on / sign off" procedure will be established. Each race day each competitor shall sign personally a list available at the Race Office before going on the race area and as soon as possible after coming back ashore. The signature of a representative is invalid.

The list to "sign on" will be open from two hours before the first scheduled warning signal up to the starting signal of the first race of the day. The list to "sign off" will be open up to the time limit for lodging protest of the respective day. However, when the Race Committee asks competitors to wait ashore for further signals between two races and then decides effectively to start a new race, the list to "sign off" will be open only up to the time the flag AP is lowered ashore. Then a new list to "sign on" will be open from that time up to the starting signal of the new race and a new list to "sign off" will be open up to the time limit for lodging protests of the respective day.

- 19.2** A competitor that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

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20 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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 a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 SUPPORT BOATS

22.1 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 / fleet to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

Support boats shall comply with all requests from race officials if it is reasonable to do so.

22.2 All coach boats shall conspicuously display the national flag or a flag with the three letter code for the team they are in support of, at all times while afloat.

A coaches meeting before the practice race will be held 12.00 on the 15.04.2014.

A daily coaches meeting is scheduled for 09.30 each day, starting on 16.04.2014

23 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

Race Committee - RC

International Jury – White flag with “IJ”

Media – white flag with “Media”

24 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority as defined on the official notice board.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support boats or official boats.

26 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.



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27 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, 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.

28 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

The overall winner of the Boy's and the Girl's Championship will be awarded the title "2014 Zoom 8 Boy's European Champion" and "2014 Zoom 8 Girl's European Champion", respectively.

Prizes will be awarded to the first three places in each championship.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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 EUR 500.000 per event or the equivalent.

31 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

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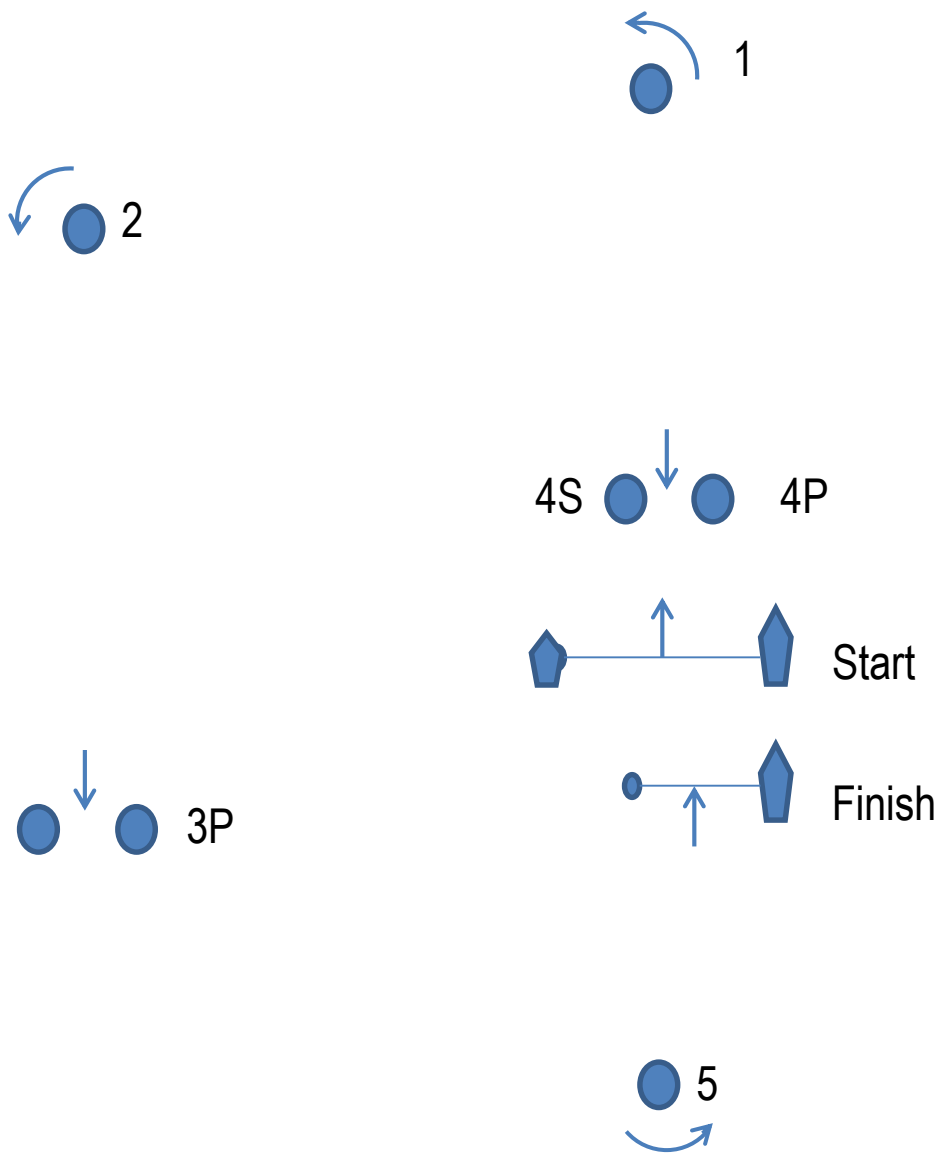
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ATTACHEMENT A – Courses to be sailed

Course signal Course to be sailed

- I 1 Start – 1 – 4S/4P – 1 – 2 – 3P – 5 – Finish
- I 2 Start – 1 – 4S/4P – 1 – 4S/4P – 1 – 2 – 3P – 5 - Finish
- O 1 Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 – 3P – 5 – Finish
- O 2 Start – 1 – 2 – 3S/3P – 2 - 3S/3P – 2 – 3P – 5 – Finish



ATTACHEMENT B – Location of race areas



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