



Tomis Trophy
53rd edition, 15th– 18th of May 2014



Romanian Royal Yacht Club & Romanian Yachting Federation
Constanta, Mamaia, Siutghiol Lake

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 53rd edition Tomis Trophy is organized by the Romanian Royal Yacht Club in conjunction with the Romanian Yachting Federation.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016*.
- 1.2 No national 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 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at *Pinguin Nautical Club*.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at *Pinguin Nautical Club*.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.



5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Program:







Date	Time	Activities
15.05.2014	1200 - 2400	Arrival and Registration
16.05.2014	1000 – 2000	Registration

Date	Time	Activities
	1425	Practice Race
	1900	Briefing with Coaches and Team Leaders
17.05.2014	1025	First possible warning signal; 4 races scheduled
18.05.2014	1025	First possible warning signal; 3 races scheduled
	1600	Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony

5.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

Class	Flag	Flag Image
Optimist	White Flag with blue Optimist logo	
Cadet	Flag K	
Zoom8	White Flag with red Zoom8 logo	
Laser 4.7	White Flag with red text "Laser 4.7"	
Laser Radial	White Flag with red text "Laser Rad"	
Laser Standard	Green Flag with red text "STD"	
470	White Flag with blue 470 logo	

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

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.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg. Failure to signal the bearing will not be grounds for request for redress.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks are described in Attachment B.

- 9.5 A race committee boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 10.2 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.
- 10.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signals Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.6 The starting sequence is:
- 470
 - Laser STD
 - Laser RDL
 - Laser 4.7
 - Zoom8
 - Cadet
 - Optimist
- 10.7 After the first race of a day, the Race Committee may change the starting sequence.
- 10.8 The start of 2 (two) or more classes can be combined, for instance Cadet and Zoom8. In case of combining classes, the class flags will be hoisted together.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 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.
- 11.2 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 change rule 28.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 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.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Appendix P will apply as changed by instruction 13.2.
- 13.2 Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.
- 13.3 **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.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Target time is 50 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This change rule 62.1(a).

- 14.2 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.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Immediately after finishing, a boat that intends to lodge a protest will inform the Race Committee boat at the finishing line about the boat/boats she intends to protest until her intention is recognized by the Race Committee. (Addition to RRS rule 61.1(a)).
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Penguin Nautical Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 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.
- 15.4 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, located at Penguin Nautical Club.
- 15.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 A list of boats that, under instruction 13, have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 15.6 Breaches of instructions 17, 20, 22, 23 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This change rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.7 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 change rule 66.
- 15.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This change rule 62.2.
- 15.9 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 7 (seven) races are scheduled of which 1 race are required to be completed to validate the regatta.
- 16.2 (a) When 4 races or fewer than 4 races have been completed score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race (except circumstances outside her control) shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible and shall also fill in the relevant form available at the Race Office within the protest time limit of the respective day.
- 17.2 When flag W, with a long sound signal, is displayed on a committee boat all support boats are requested to remain afloat and assist all sailors.



18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted providing that the relevant form has been filled in at the Race Office, the damaged equipment has been checked by the Race Committee and the substituting equipment has been inspected.
- 18.3 If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting pieces of equipment shall be presented to the Race Committee after the end of the day's racing. In this case, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Race Committee given retrospectively.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

20 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority

21 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

Race Committee	White flag marked with blue 'RC'
Jury Boat	Red flag marked with white 'JURY'
Coaches boats	National flag or a three letter code flag for the team they are in support of.
Support boats	White flag marked with black 'MEDIA'

22 SUPPORT BOATS

- 22.1 Except when requested to participate in rescue operations, team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and are restricted to a 5 knot speed limit, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet of a race to start until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment of all fleets. The areas the boats are racing in is defined as the area inside the course and within 100 meters of any mark, lay line, starting line, finishing line or any area where any boat that is racing is sailing or may sail. Attachment B assists the interpretation of this exclusion area. During any starting sequence, support boats in the vicinity of the start line, shall stay at least 50 meters below the starting line and its extensions.
- 22.2 When a Race Committee or Protest Committee member indicates a support boat to move further from the course area, the mentioned boat shall do so immediately.
- 22.3 The Protest Committee or the Race Committee may instruct one or more support boats to maintain station in areas which are at variation from instruction 22.1.
- 22.4 The Race Committee or the Protest Committee may protest any boat whose support boat is in breach of Sailing Instruction 22. Penalties imposed as a result of a protest under this rule will result in a penalty being imposed on the boat(s) supported by the support boat.

23 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

24 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.

25 PRIZES

Medals and cups will be awarded to every boat placing first, second and third in each group and class. For Optimist class will be awarded separately the Optimist Boys and Optimist girls groups.

Further prizes and diplomas may be awarded to all participants.

26 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.

27 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 300.000 euro per incident or the equivalent.

Fair wind,

Principal Race Officer

Pinar Coskuner (IRO)

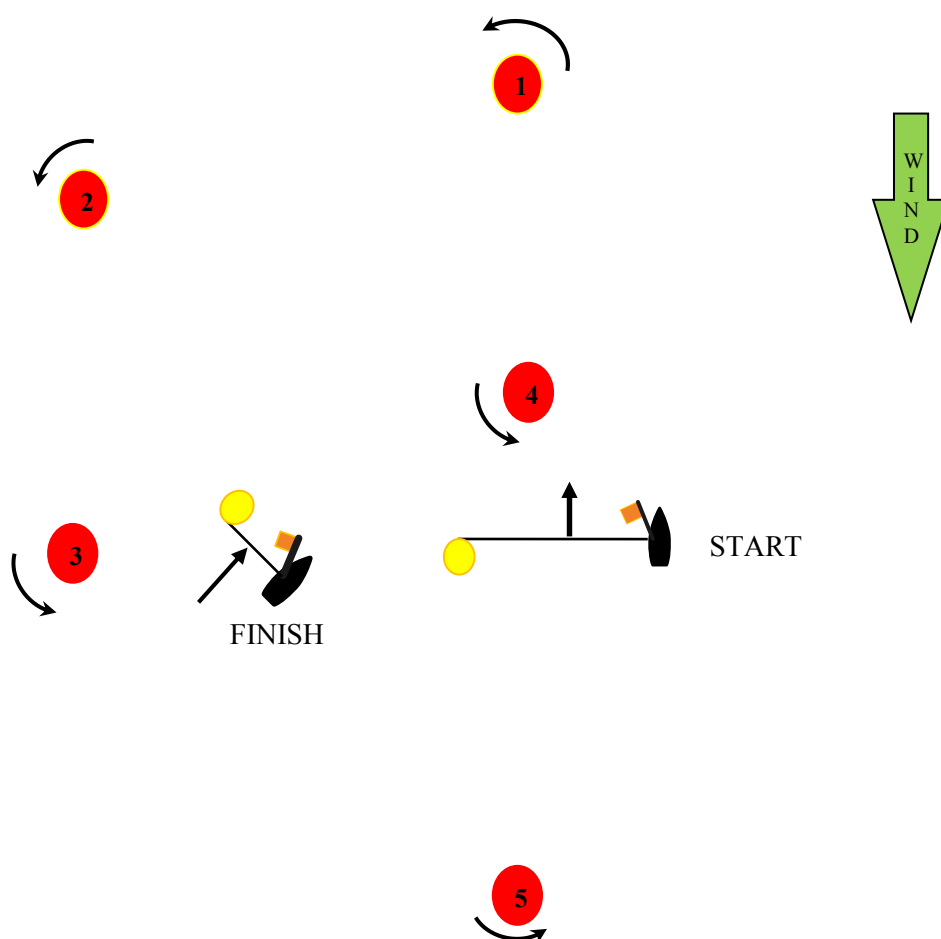
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Appendix A - Racing Area

The racing area will be in Mamaia, Siutghiol Lake, in front of Pinguin Nautical Club.



Appendix B - THE COURSE



MARK 1,2,3,4 and 5	Orange cylindrical inflatable buoys
New MARK (if used)	Yellow cylindrical inflatable buoy
Port-end starting/finishing mark	A yellow spherical inflatable buoy

Class	THE COURSE
Optimist	START – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – FINISH
Cadet	START – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – FINISH
Zoom8	START – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – FINISH
LASER 4.7	START – 1 – 4 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – FINISH
LASER RDL	START – 1 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – 2 – 3 – FINISH
LASER STD	START – 1 – 5 – 1 – 5 – 1 – 2 – 3 – FINISH
470	START – 1 – 5 – 1 – 5 - 1 – 2 – 3 – FINISH