49er and 49erFX

World Championships

Gdynia - Poland 20th – 27th July 2013

The Organising Authority is the xxx Sailing Club in conjunction with the International 49er Class Association

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for breaking RRS, 42 will apply.
- 1.3 For the Final races, Addendum Q will apply and takes precedence over any conflicting instructions.
- 1.4 Where there is conflict with the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail except that neither shall change nor alter any Class Rules.
- 1.5 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will prevail.

2. IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 Boats will be required to affix the stickers provided by the Organising Authority on both side of the forward 25% of the hull, 300mm from the bow.
- 2.2 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 on their mainsail respectively. These stickers will be available at the Race Office each day from two hours before the first scheduled warning signal of the day.

3. CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry on board cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority. Competitors may also use their own camera recording equipment and attachments, but these are to be removable for weighing. A boat shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes RRS 62.1

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Race Office in the dinghy park.

5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than two hours before

the scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races, will be posted by 20.00 the day before it will take effect.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located immediately outside the Race Office. When a signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that fleet only.
- 6.2 Flag D displayed ashore with one sound signal this means: "the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed or not before the scheduled time, whichever is later. Boats shall not leave their allocated berth until this signal is made".

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	Date	Event	Warning signal
	Saturday 20 July	Measurement/Registration/Inspection	09.00 – 18.00
	Sunday 21 July	Measurement/Registration/Inspection	09.00 – 13.00
		Practice races	13.55
	Monday 22 July	Qualification races	10.55
	Tuesday 23 July	Qualification races	10.55
	Wednesday 24 July	Qualification races	10.55
	Thursday 25 July	Final races	10.55
	Friday 26 July	Final races	10.55
	Saturday 27 July	Final races	10.55
		Prize giving and Closing Ceremony	
		as soon as possible after Final Races	

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

When more than one race, or sequence of races, will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable

8. FORMAT OF RACING – QUALIFICATION RACES AND FINAL RACES

The regatta will consist of Qualification Races and Final Races.

9. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be a 49er class insignia or a 49erFX class insignia on a yellow background

10. RACING AREAS

Attachment B shows the location of the race area.

11. THE COURSES

- 11.1 Attachment A shows the course to be sailed, the order in which the marks are to be passed, the side on which each mark is to be left, and the signals indicating the number of rounds to be sailed.
- 11.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may display the approximate compass bearing from the race committee signal vessel to Mark 1.
- 11.3 There will be gates at the windward and leeward marks.
- 11.4 A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port
- 11.5 On the last leg to the finish, the leeward gate is not a mark.

12. MARKS

- 12.2 For the 49erFX event Mark 1 will be a Pink cylinder which will be laid up to 400 metres to leeward of the 49er Mark 1.

13. THE START

- 13.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks (race committee starting vessels) at each end of the starting line.
- 13.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 13.3 A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 13.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with ONE sound signal not less than TWO minutes before the warning signal is displayed.

14. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the existing marks (or move the finishing line).

15. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing marks.

16. TIME LIMITS

16.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Time limit......45 minutes

Mark 1 time limit.....15 minutes

- 16.2 If no boat has passed mark 1 within the mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.3 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 RRS 35, A4 and A5.

17. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 17.1 RRS 44.1 and RSS P2.1 are changed so that the two turn penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty including a tack and a gybe.
- 17.2 Appendix P will apply, as changed by SI 17.1

18. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 18.2 The protest time limit will be posted on the jury notice board located at the Race Office. The protest time limit will be 60 minutes after the last boat of the fleet has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area. This time limit also applies to

requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

- 18.3 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 in the Sailing Club. Hearings may start before the scheduled time with the agreement of all parties.
- 18.4 The race committee or jury intending to protest a boat under RRS 60.2 or 60.3 will comply with RRS 61.1(b) by informing her by posting a notice before the end of the protest time limit of the last fleet to finish.
- 18.5 A list of boats that have been penalised under RRS Appendix P on the water or have been disqualified by the jury will be posted on the official notice board.
- 18.6 For the purposes of RRS 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the measurer appointed by the Organising Authority.
- 18.7 Breaches of instructions 2, 3, 6.2, 21, 22.2, 23.2, 25, 26 and 27 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 18.8 On the last day of qualification racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - i) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - ii) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

18.9 On the last scheduled day of qualification racing a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

19. INTERNATIONAL JURY

Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

20. SCORING

The low point scoring system of Appendix A, as changed below, will apply.

20.1 Qualification races

- 20.1.1 FOUR Qualification races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 20.1.2 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's Qualification races score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 20.1.3 The Qualification Series score is carried forward to the Final Races series.

20.2 Final races

- 20.2.1 Assignments to the Final Races will be based on the ranking available at 08.00 on the day of the Final Races. The Jury may extend the time limit.
- 20.2.2 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's Final races score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 20.2.3 No warning signal for the Final races will be made after 16.00 on Saturday 27 July

20.3 **Resolving Ties**

Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

20.4 Scoring enquiries

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. Scoring enquiry forms shall be delivered to the race office. A scoring enquiry may be regarded as a request for redress.

20.5 Scoring abbreviation

The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under SI 18.7 will be 'DPI'.

21. SAFETY

- 21.1 Boats not leaving the shore for the day's races shall notify the race office as soon as possible.
- 21.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 21.3 When Flag V is displayed by the race committee signal vessel, coach and other support boats will collaborate with the race committee in rescue tasks.

22. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 22.1 Replacement of helm, crew or equipment shall require written approval of the PRO
- 22.2 Request for replacement of helm, crew or equipment shall be made to the PRO at the first reasonable opportunity. On Saturday 27 July any replacement equipment shall be approved no later than the protest time limit.

23. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 23.1 All boats will be inspected for class rules compliance prior to racing. Boats shall be presented for measurement checks at the times prescribed in SI 7.
- 23.2 In addition, any boat or equipment may be checked for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions at any time. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for measurement checks.
- 23.3 Limitations of equipment
 - i) Only one set of sails shall be used during the regatta. The sails shall be presented and stamped during the initial inspection.
 - ii) Only one forestay shall be used during the regatta. The forestay will be tagged during the initial inspection.
- 23.4 All boats, when not afloat, shall be placed in the official dinghy park.

24. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified as follows: Race committee boats..... Race committee boats..... Mark boats..... Jury boats.... Other boat under control of RC..... VIP boats...

Yellow flags with letter "A" Orange flags with letter "B" SAP streamers White flags with IJ MEDIA flag VIP flag

25. SUPPORT BOATS

- 25.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not be in the area where boats are racing or within 50 metres of any boat racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This SI does not apply during rescue operations.
- 25.2 At all times while on water, support boats shall display either their national flag on a staff with the top of the hoist minimum 1.5 m above water level or their national code letters (minimum height 200mm) on the outside of the hull or on the outboard motor

cover. Furthermore support boats shall be marked with a number supplied by the Organising Authority. This number shall be clearly visible on the boats.

- 25.3 Support boats that are motoring at more than 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat that is racing.
- 25.4 Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 25.5 All support boats are at all times submitted to the Organising Committee and Race Committee authority, are legally considered as assistance / rescue boats and must comply with any instructions given by these authorities or by the police.
- 25.6 The International Jury may direct the Organising Authority to revoke privileges from any boat or person found to be in breach of SI 25.

26. TRASH DISPOSAL

As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. The penalty for breaking RRS 55 is at the discretion of the Jury and may be less than disqualification.

27. 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.

28. PRIZES

The Organising Authority will provide prizes to the first three boats in the boys 49er Championship and the first three boats in the girls 49er FX Championship

29. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising 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 or the equivalent per incident.

Attachment A

Course Layout

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L	COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order		
L2	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish		
L3 Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish			
L4	Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish		

Attachment B

Course Locations