49er and 49erFX

European Championships

Porto, Portugal
4th to 12th July 2015

The Organising Authority is composed by Clube de Vela Atlântico as host club and Douro Marina Sailing Academy as event manager in conjunction with the International 49er Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

Para 3.5 added 13th May 2015
Para 1.7 added 18th June 2015

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, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply
1.3 For the Medal Races, ISAF Addendum Q (as posted on the official notice board) takes precedence over any conflicting instructions. However for 49erFX, boats competing in the PanAm Games need not compete in the Medal Race and will be awarded points for DNS of 22 points.

1.4 The Class and Championship Rules of the International 49er Class Association will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.

1.5 No National Authority prescriptions will apply.

1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

1.7 The bottom two panels of the jib area shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs in accordance with the 49er class jib advertising policy.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Competitors shall comply with ISAF Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).

3.2 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er Class Association.

3.3 Entries should be received by the Organising Authority no later than 12th June 2015 to qualify for the early entry fee and will not be accepted after 26th June 2015.

3.4 Competitors can enter by visiting the event’s web http://49er.org/event/2015-european-championship/

3.5 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each of the Olympic events.

4. FEES

Entry Fee: € 375.00 (until 12th June 2015), € 425.00 (after 12th June 2015) Includes the International Class Championship Fee.

Coach Fee per person: € 70.00, no separate fee for support boat registration.

5. FORMAT OF RACING.

5.1 The Championships will consist of an Opening Series and a Medal Races Series. The Opening Series will be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Final Series.

5.2 The format of the Medal Races Series will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1 The Championship schedule will be as follows:

Saturday 4 July
0930 - 1800 Registration/Inspection
1530 Sponsored Douro River Race - 49er
2100 Local festivities with firework

Sunday 5 July
0930 - 1800 Registration/Inspection
1400 Practice Race – 49er/49er FX
1530 Sponsored Douro River Race - 49erFX
1730 Competitors meeting
1800 Opening Ceremony with cocktail

Monday 6 July
1255 Qualifying Races 49erFX

Tuesday 7 July
1025 Qualifying Races 49erFX
1255 Qualifying Races 49er
Notice of Race – Final

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6.2 On Sunday 12 July there will be no warning signal after 1600 for those taking part in the Final Races and after 1700 for those taking part in the Medal Races.

7. MEASUREMENT
7.1 All boats will be inspected for class rules compliance prior to racing, according to the Schedule of Events. Additional spot measurement checks may be carried out during the Championship.
7.2 Only one set of sails and one forestay shall be used throughout the duration of the Championship.
7.3 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Race Committee.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

9. VENUE
The 2015 49er and 49erFX European Championships will be held at Douro Marina – Vila Nova de Gaia, Porto, Portugal

The mailing address for the event is:
Rua da Praia – Douro Marina
Post Code: 4400-554, City: Vila Nova de Gaia
Portugal

10. THE COURSES
Courses will be windward/leeward with a gate at the leeward end of the course.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM
RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.

12. SCORING
12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply to the Opening Series
12.2 At least 5 races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

13. SUPPORT BOATS
13.1 Support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. Team leaders/coaches shall register at [http://49er.org/event/2015-european-championship/](http://49er.org/event/2015-european-championship/) and complete on-site registration at the race office at the venue.

13.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm.

13.3 If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

14. **INTERNATIONAL JURY**

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

15. **PRIZES**

Prizes for the European Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of the Medal Races for the first three places overall and for the Other Fleet(s) respectively.

16. **RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

17. **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third part liability coverage of at least EUR 1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

18. **RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;

d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

19. **MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**
19.1 By participating in the Championship competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, International 49er Class Association and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.

19.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.

19.3 Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences at the Championship.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

- **Event manager:** Diogo Barros – diogo.barros@bbdouro.com / 00351 936 740 163

- **Official Hotel of the event**

  Porto Palácio Hotel – 10 minutes drive from the marina

  Avenida da Boavista, 1269, 4100-130 Porto, Portugal

  Sales manager: svquirino@portopalaciohotel.pt / 00351 935 644 766

  Promotional code: 49er Porto 2015 – from the 21\textsuperscript{st} of June 2015

- **RIB Rental:** tiago.morais@bbdouro.com / 00351 919 380 037

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River Douro tide table

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ATTACHMENT A - RACING AREA

Open Sea Areas – Matosinhos, Porto and Gaia Courses

The images shown don’t represent the real size of racing areas.