

49er and 49erFX

World Championships Information

Matosinhos, Portugal

25th August to 2nd September 2017

The Course

For the Qualifying and Final Series the courses will be windward/leeward with gates at the windward and leeward ends of the course.

The same course will be used in the Medal Races Series with boundaries.

Format of Racing

The Championship will be in three series:

1. Qualifying Series
2. Fleet Racing Series
3. Medal Races Series (with a Petit-Final followed by a Final)

1. **Qualifying Series** (Days 1, 2 and 3)

- The fleet will be split into groups of approximately equal numbers of boats. The Qualifying Series will consist of a maximum of TEN races and a minimum of SIX races. Up to FOUR races are scheduled each day. If SIX races have not been completed by all fleets by the end of Day 3, the Qualifying Series will continue.
- HALF the Qualifying Series points will be carried forward into the Final Series

2. **Fleet Racing Series** (Days 4, 5 and 6)

- The top 20 boats based on their final Fleet Racing Series scores will race in the Gold fleet.
- The remaining boats will be split into Silver and Bronze fleets of approximately equal numbers depending on the number of boats.
- THREE races are scheduled per day for each fleet. Target times 20 minutes for Gold Fleet and 30 minutes for Silver and Bronze Fleets
- Day 6, TWO fleet races are scheduled for Silver and Bronze Fleet boats. There will be NO Gold Fleet races.
- The leading boat in the Silver Fleet, for 49er and 49erFX, at the end of Day 5 will NOT race in the Fleet Races but will race in the Petit-Final Medal Races Series.

3. **Medal Races Series** (Day 6)

- The Petit-Final Medal Races Series will be for the leader of the Silver Fleet and the boats ranked 10th to 20th overall in the Gold Fleet at the end of Day 5.
- The Final Medal Races Series will be for the top 9 boats overall in the Gold Fleet at the end of Day 5 plus the leader overall after the Petit-Final Medal Races Series.
- Each of the Medal Races Series will be THREE races, target time 10 minutes, single low points scoring