

# Sailing Instructions Steinhuder Meer 2016

Abbreviations:

[NP] - Infringements of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] - The penalty for a breach of this rule is at discretion of the protest committee.

## 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. Appendix P will apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages, German text takes precedence for the "Prescriptions for Racing of the DSV", the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. In all other cases the English text takes precedence.

## 2. Notices to competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the race office.

## 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 90 minutes before the first planned warning signal on the day it will take effect.

Any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

## 4. Signals made ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole of the organizing sailing club near the race office.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after removal this flag ashore. This changes the Racing Rules of Sailing for signals.

## 5. Schedule of races

- 5.1. Dates and number of races see Notice of Races.
- 5.2. The number of races per day will be posted at the official notice board not less than 90 Minutes before the first intended warning signal.
- 5.3. 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.

## 6. The Courses

- 6.1. The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 6.2. No later than the warning signal the race committee will display the course to be sailed in accordance with the diagram and place the first windward mark.

## 7. Marks

- 7.1. Course marks will be red and conical buoys.
- 7.2. The Pin-End mark of the starting line will be a committee vessel or a buoy each with an orange flag.
- 7.3. The starboard end of the starting line will be a committee vessel.
- 7.4. If one gate mark is missing, boats shall round the remaining one, leaving it to port.
- 7.5. Mark 1A (offset mark) is a buoy with an orange flag.

## 8. The Start

- 8.1. The starting line will be between a staff with red-white colour on the starting vessel and a pole displaying an orange flag to port.
- 8.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 8.3. A boat starting not within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS or DNC. This changes RR A4.

## **9. The Finish**

The finishing line will be between a red-white striped staff on the finishing vessel and the pole of a bouy or a pole on a race committee vessel displaying an orange flag.

## **10. Penalty system**

For multihull classes RR 44.1 and P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **11. Time Limits and Target Times**

11.1. Target times and Time limits are as follows:

The Target Time for all classes is 60 minutes

The Time Limit for the first boat of a class is 90 minutes.

11.2. If no boat has sailed the course and finished within the time limit the race shall be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11.3. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RR 35, A4 and A5.

## **12. Protests and Requests for Redress**

12.1. Protest forms are available at the race office. Protest and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.

12.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat of the class has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

12.3. Notices will be posted not 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 the organizing club, beginning at the time posted.

12.4. Notices of the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RR 61.1(b).

12.5. A list of boats that have been penalised according to appendix P for infringing rule 42 will be posted.

12.6. Breaches of Sailing instructions marked with [NP] will not be ground for a protest by a boat. This changes RR 60.1.

12.7. Penalties for breaches of the sailing instructions or class rules marked with [DP] can be less than a DSQ at the discretion of the protest committee.

12.8. Measurement protest or objections lodged on the last day will be rejected, if based on facts available and known to the protestor before the last day.

12.9. On the last day of racing a request to reopen a hearing shall be lodged within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day. This changes rule 66. The time limit for a request to reopen a protest of the day is within 30 minutes after the protest decision has been given.

## **13. Safety regulations [NP] [DP]**

13.1. A boat that retires from a race shall inform the race committee or race office as soon as practicable.

13.2. Competitors shall wear a life jacket or other adequate personal buoyancy securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

## **14. Replacement of crew or equipment [DP]**

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing at the first reasonable opportunity to the race committee on a form available at the race office.

## **15. Equipment and measurement checks [NP] [DP]**

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.

## **16. Official boats**

Official boats are marked with white flags with black Letters as follows:

Race committee boats: "RC"  
Jury-boats: "JURY"  
Measurer boats: "M"  
Additional Safety Boats: „S“

## **17. Additional Safety Boats [DP]**

Boats being approved and marked as additional safety boats shall state in writing which boats they will support. Except when rendering assistance to a boat in danger at that boat's request, or at the request of the race committee, these boats shall stay at least 100 meters outside areas where boats are 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. In the case of a breach of this rule the supported boats may be penalised.

## **18. Radio communication [DP]**

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.

## **19. Parking and trash disposal [NP] [DP]**

19.1. On the event grounds boats, trailers and cars shall be parked in the provided areas only.

19.2. RR 55 must be observed at all times. On the water trash may be placed aboard race committee boats or additional safety boats.

19.3. Trash shall be placed ashore in trash containers.

## **20. Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The authority of the event has the liability only in the extent committed in the notice of race.

## **21. Special local prescriptions**

Corresponding to the Dümmer-Steinhuder-Meer-Verordnung (DStMVO) professional skippers under sails or under power have the right of way (Conveyance of passengers with green-white flag in a shroud).

Attachment 1: Course diagram