



## NOTICE OF SERIES (version 1 dated 17/02/16)

The following regattas constitute the 2016 EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup

Trofeo Princesa Sofia - Palma, Majorca	26 March - 2 April 2016
Trentino Garda Olympic Week - Riva del Garda, Italy	11 - 15 May 2016
Delta Lloyd Regatta - Medemblik, the Netherlands	24 - 28 May 2016
Kieler Woche - Kiel, Germany	18 - 22 June 2016

### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority will be made up of the European Sailing Federation (EUROSAF) and the Organising Authorities of the five regattas constituting the 2016 EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup.

### 2. RULES

- 2.1 The regattas of the EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 2.2 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, will apply.
- 2.3 For the Medal Races, ISAF Addendum Q, *Umpired Fleet Racing*, available on the ISAF website ([www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org)), will apply and changes a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.4 For Paralympic events,
  - 2.4.1 For the 2.4mR event, the 2.4 Norlin OD class rules will apply. However, Schedule K of the 2010 International 2.4 class rules will apply to boats that previously held measurement certification under Schedule K but do not hold certification under 2.4 Norlin OD class rules
  - 2.4.2 SKUD 18 Class Rules Section J.3 will apply
  - 2.4.3 This will be a Sonar Class Association Appendix B - Alternative Rules event.
- 2.5 The prescriptions of the National Authority of the venue shall be stated in full in the Notice of Race of the relevant regatta
- 2.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 3. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS

- 3.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 3.2 Competitors aboard the boats ranked first, second and third in the series at the beginning of each day, shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing. The bibs will be provided by the Organising Authority.
- 3.3 [SP] Boats shall display national flags on mainsails as specified in their class rules. If the class rules do not include a specification for display flags on mainsails, they shall be displayed in accordance with ISAF specifications available on the ISAF website.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The series is open to the events chosen for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition and the 2016 Paralympic Sailing Competition.
- 4.2 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each Olympic event. Women are not eligible to compete in men's events and vice versa.
- 4.3 For the Paralympic events, these events will be open to all competitors whether or not they meet the Paralympic Eligibility criteria. All teams will be eligible for EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup series points.
- 4.4 Online registration will be available as described in the Notice of Race of each regatta. Competitors and coaches shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website and paying the required fees.
- 4.5 ISAF Eligibility shall apply. Each athlete shall be registered as an ISAF Sailor on the ISAF website: [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor)
- 4.6 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration.
- 4.7 Competitors shall produce evidence of membership of the appropriate class association at the time of registration as may be required by the Organising Authority.

### 5. FEES

The entry fees (boats and coaches) for each regatta will be determined in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

### 6. FORMAT

- 6.1 For Olympic events,
  - 6.1.1 The regatta will consist of an Opening Series and a Medal Stage. The Opening Series may be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Final Series.
  - 6.1.2 The top TEN finishers in the Opening Series of each event will advance to the Medal Stage provided a minimum of 3 races have been completed in the Opening Series.

6.1.3 There will be ONE Race in the Medal Stage in ALL events

6.2 For Paralympic events, the regatta will consist of a single series.

6.3 Other formats may be used as authorised by the Champions Sailing Cup Steering Committee.

## **7. SCHEDULE**

7.1 The schedule for each regatta shall be as described in the Notice of Race of each regatta. This schedule will include dates and times for Registration, Equipment Inspection, Opening Ceremony, Opening Series, Qualifying Series, Fleet Racing Series, Medal Races and Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony.

7.2 The number of races scheduled for each event shall be stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

7.3 The scheduled time for the warning signal for each event shall be as stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

7.4 The time after which no warning signal will be made, on the last day of racing, will as described in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

## **8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

8.1 Each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate (if required by class rules). Boats shall use the approved Nationality Code Letters on their sails as required by the RRS

8.2 Boats may be subject to equipment inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the sailing instructions or equipment inspection regulations (EIR).

8.3 The equipment limitations as specified in the class rules shall apply.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the event website.

## **10. VENUE**

As stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta

## **11. THE COURSES**

The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid except that any other courses adopted by ISAF for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition or approved by the Champions Sailing Cup Steering Committee may also be used.

## **12. PENALTY SYSTEM**



For the Men's Skiff, Women's Skiff, Mixed Two Person Multihull and Paralympic Two Person Keelboat events, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

### **13. INTERNATIONAL JURY**

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b).

### **14. SCORING**

#### **14.1 Regatta scoring system**

As stated in the Notice of Race of each regatta. It is intended that;

(a) For the Opening Series, or for the Paralympic classes with a single series, a total of at least 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta. When 5 or more races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(b) The top TEN boats overall after the Opening Series in the Olympic classes but not including Men's Skiff and Women's Skiff will carry forward their overall points to the Medal Stage which shall be added to their Medal Race points to give the overall Event score. Points scored in the Medal stage are double and shall not be excluded.

(c) The top TEN boats overall after the Opening Series in the Men's Skiff and Women's Skiff classes will carry forward their overall points to the Medal Stage which shall be added to their THREE Medal Race points to give the overall Event score. Points scored in the Medal stage shall not be excluded.

(d) Ties in the overall Event scores will be decided on the final race scores in the Medal Stage. This changes RRS Appendix A8

#### **14.2 EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup series scoring system**

(a) In each event, only the 15 boats ranked highest in the overall rankings of the regatta will be scored. First will be scored 15 points, second 14 points, etc....and fifteenth 1 point. Except that for the SKUD 18 event for which first will be scored 8 points, second 7 points, etc

(b) A minimum of 15 boats, in each event, representing at least three EUROSAF MNAs are required to score regatta points for the EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup series. Except for the SKUD 18 event for which a minimum of 8 boats and for the Sonar event for which a minimum of 10 boats from at least three EUROSAF MNAs are required.

(c) The EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup series score for a boat will be the sum of her regatta scores - with four counting regattas excluding her worst score and with three regattas or less no excluded scores..

#### **14.3 EUROSAF Nations Cup scoring system**

(a) In each regatta the top two boats, in each event, from each nation in the overall rankings of the regatta will be scored as in 14.2 above. The highest scoring nation will be awarded at the regatta prize giving ceremony. If a nation has only one boat the second boat shall be awarded zero points.

(b) The best nation in the EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup series will be determined by adding all the nation scores obtained in each regatta as per 14.3 (a) above, with no discard. A nation not taking part in a regatta shall be scored zero points for that regatta.

### **15. SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL**

Each support boat / coach is required to register as described in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

### **16. BERTHING AND HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Competitors shall follow requirements described in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

## **17. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## **18. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

## **19. PRIZES**

19.1 In each regatta medals will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each Olympic and Paralympic event. The Organising Authority may alter prizes if less than 10 boats are entered in an event.

19.2 EUROSAF will award medals to the top 3 boats, in each class, in the Champions Sailing Cup Series

19.3 EUROSAF will award the EUROSAF Nations Cup to the highest scoring nation in the Champions Sailing Cup Series

## **20. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat must hold third party liability insurance with a minimum cover as described in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

## **22. 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.



## **20. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

- 20.1 By participating in an event of the EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority, EUROSAF 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 the competition without compensation..
- 20.2 By participating in an event of the EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup event competitors accept to receive event information from EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup Organising Authorities
- 20.3 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
- 20.4 The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 20.5 Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

## **21. FURTHER INFORMATION**

Further information will be described in the Notice of Race of each regatta.

## **22. REGATTA NOTICE OF RACE**

If any conflict arises between the EUROSAF Champions Sailing Cup Notice of Series and the Notice of Race of an individual regatta the Notice of Race of the individual regatta will prevail.