



**AUDI SAILING Champions League Final 2017**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2017**  
**Porto Cervo**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 Organizer**

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**2 Rules**

2.1 The Event will be governed by

- (a) The 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- (b) The rules for Handling Boats (SI Attachment 2) that also applies to any practice sailing. Class rules will not apply.
- (c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.
- (d) All races will be sailed under World Sailing Addendum Q (modified) – Umpired Fleet Racing.
- (e) In case of conflicts between the NoR and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions takes precedence.

2.2 Changes of Rules.

- (a) RRS 26 is changed, see SI 12
- (b) RRS 27.1 is amended, with the following: "no later than the warning" is changed to "no later than the One minute signal"

**3 Advertising**

The rules on advertising are mentioned in Notice of Race Appendix B.

**4 Notices to competitors**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Piazza Azzurra in front of the entrance of the YCCS Clubhouse.

**5 Changes to the sailing instructions**

Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the Piazza Azzurra in front of the entrance of the YCCS Clubhouse or distributed to all teams not less/after than 30 minutes before they will take effect, except that any change to the time schedule of races will be posted by 21:00 the day before it will take effect. Oral changes may be given either on the water or ashore. This changes RRS 90.2(c).



## **6 Signals made ashore**

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole on the YCCS Clubhouse terrace overlooking the Piazza Azzurra.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the RRS race signal AP. This changes Race Signals.

## **7 Schedule**

### **Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

Registration from 09:00 to 19:30

Practice of the boats in groups from 11:00 to 19:00

### **Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Skippers briefing is at 10:30

First warning signal is at 11:30

Opening Ceremony at 19.30

### **Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Daily skippers briefing at 09:00

First warning signal at 10:00

Team BBQ Dinner at 19:30

### **Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

Daily skippers briefing at 09:00

Frist warning signal at 10:00

Last possible warning signal at 16:00

Price giving ceremony at 16:30

- 7.1 Training Opportunity: All participants have access to training in the boats for periods of 2 hour, according to a plan published on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> at 09:00.
- 7.2 Subsequent races will be started immediately after crew changes have finished. The crew change will be as scheduled in the Paring list. The Paring List will be published on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>.

## **8 Class flag**

The Class Flag is a white Flag with SCL Logo

## **9 Race Area**

As described in NoR Appendix A.

## **10 Course**

Attachment 1 shows the course and the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed and their required side. Mark Rounding order, take precedence over the illustration.

## **11 Marks**

- 11.1 Mark M1 is an inflatable buoy and shall be left to port. It can be red, white or yellow. Final designation of the mark to be rounded will be indicated no later than the "1 minute" from the start signal of each flight by displaying a flag with the colour of the mark.
  - 11.2 Marks M2s and M2p, are red inflatable buoys.
  - 11.3 Start and finishing marks are: a red inflatable buoy (or a race committee boat) and the race committee signal boat.
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## **12 Start**

- 12.1 The starting line is between a red inflatable buoy or an orange flag on the race committee boat on the port end of the line and an orange flag on the race signal boat on the starboard end of the line.
- 12.2 RRS 26 is amended as follows:
- (a) Warning signal: 3 minutes before the start. The signal class flag will be displayed, with one sound.
  - (b) Preparation signal: 2 minutes before the start signal flag "P" will be displayed, with one sound.
  - (c) One-minute signal: 1 minute before the starting signal, signal flag "P" will be lowered with one sound.
  - (d) Start signal: Class flag will be lowered with one sound.
- 12.3 Boats that start later than 3 minutes after starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5.

## **13 Change of course.**

- 13.1 The Race committee may change mark M1 in the following way.
- (a) When rounding the gate:
    - (1) Displaying red, white or yellow flag with repeated sounds.
      - (a) This means: Mark M1 is replaced by the mark with the colour of the signal. This changes RRS33.

## **14 Shortening the course**

The course will not be shortened.

## **15 The finishing line.**

The finishing line is identical as the start line.

## **16 Protest and request for redress**

- 16.1 World Sailing Addendum Q will be used for direct judging.
- 16.2 Breaches of the following sailing instruction will not be grounds for protest by a boat. Penalty for those infringements will be initiated by an umpire according to Addendum Q.
- (a) SI 19.1 personal buoyancy
  - (b) SI 19.3 prohibited area
  - (c) Attachment 2, 4.1 crew position
  - (d) Attachment 2, 4.2 bowsprit.
- 16.3 There will be an International Protest Committee for the event.

## **17 Target time**

- 17.1 Target time for each race is 12-15 minutes.
- 17.2 Time limit for first boat finishing is 25 minutes.
- 17.3 Boat that does not finish within 5 minutes after the first boat has finished will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **18 Scoring**

- 18.1 Low point system will be used under RSS. DNC, DNS, OCS, DNF, RET, DSQ all score 9 points. This changes 35, A4, A5.
- 18.2 Three flights are required by all competitors in order to constitute a valid SAILING Champions League Final 2017.
- 18.3 Each competitor's score will be the sum of her scores for all races.
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- 18.4 If at the end of the regatta, some of the competitors have sailed an uneven number of races, due to incomplete flights, the competitors missing a race will be scored according to RRS A10 (a).
- 18.5 If a participant is unable to start a race because the organizer cannot supply a boat for them, the participant will have an average score for this race, according to RRS A10 (b). This change RRS A2 and A5.

## **19 Security / Restricted area**

- 19.1 Each participant must wear a personal flotation device when racing. Except while briefly changing or adjusting personal clothing. Wet suits and dry suits are not considered as a personal flotation device.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from the race shall immediately notify the race committee.
- 19.3 There might be a restricted area. This area is prohibited to sail in and rank as an obstruction. The marks that limit the area may be touched.

## **20 Replacement of crew and equipment**

- 20.1 When a skipper or crew is unable to continue in the event, the RC may authorize a change.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment and repairs may only be done by the organizers repairmen, or under their management.

## **21 Official boats.**

The official boats will be marked with white flags with the following text:

Race Committee: "YCCS Burgee and RC flag"

Repair boat: Flag "RIG"

Umpire boat: "U"

Press boat: "Press"

Crew transport Boats: Coloured flags (matching the colours and numbers of the boats)

## **22 Electronic**

While racing, a participant may not use any electronic devices except a watch for timing the start. If this watch has functions other than the clock, they must not be used.

## **23 Coaches and support boats**

- 23.1 Coaches and support boats shall be marked with the club name or identify the club they are supporting.
- 23.2 Coaches and support boats must keep a minimum distance of 50 meters to any racing boat and will motor in a way so they do not make waves or swells in the racing area.

## **24 Damage**

- 24.1 If there is a damage to a boat, the participant shall complete a damage report as described in the Attachment 3.
- 24.2 Each skipper is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the umpires.

## **25 Crew change**

- 25.1 Every team shall hold itself ready for change in sufficient time onboard the MY Matilda. Last point in time is the preceding start.
- 25.2 The change takes place after the finish, with rolled-up jib and standing mainsail. The shuttle boat will then approach.
- 25.3 After the change, the shuttle boat will stay next to the boat for about 2 minutes. During this time, the new crew will inspect the boat. If there is damage, the crew has to pull the Echo flag on the shrouds. The repair service will then come to the boat. Protests declared later than that are not valid and will not lead to a start postponement and are no reason for request of redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).
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## ATTACHMENTS

Course areas: Refer to the Notice of Race, Appendix A

Advertising: Refer to the Notice of Race, Appendix B

Attachment 1: The course

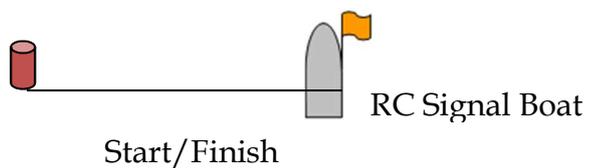
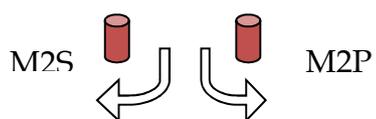
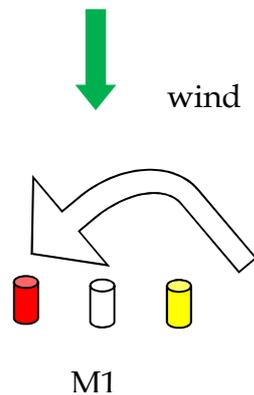
Attachment 2: Handling the boats

Attachment 3: Damage Report

Attachment 4: World Sailing Addendum Q – Umpired Fleet Racing

### Attachment 1: The course

Mark rounding order: Start – M1 – M2s/M2p – M1 – Finish



## **Attachment 2: Handling the boats.**

### **1 General**

The organizers aims to get the boats equal. Any differences in the boats cannot be ground for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

### **2 Prohibited Actions**

To prevent damage to the boat and crew the following is prohibited, except in an emergency or under the instructions of the race committee:

- 2.1 To sail the boat in a way that can lead to damage to the boat or crew.
- 2.2 Any substitution, change or assembly of spare parts and equipment, if they have not been supplied by the organizer.
- 2.3 Using the equipment for purposes other than its intended use.
- 2.4 Moving the equipment from its normal position, except to fix it properly.
- 2.5 Write on the hull, cockpit or sail, perforation of the sails or installation of additional tell-tails on the sails.

### **3 Receipt and delivery of boats**

3.1 When a crew receives a boat, it has 2 minutes to check that the boat is okay and report possible errors for the race committee (hail to either start boat, repair boat or the umpire boat).

After this, the race committee may start the procedure for the next race.

Information to the organizer after the warning signal has been displayed will not be reason for postponement for repair.

3.2 The crew sailing the boat shall report any damage or problem with the boat, before turning over a boat to the next crew. This can be done to the repair boat or the boat changing the crew.

### **4 Other rules that apply while boats are racing**

#### **4.1 CREW POSITIONING**

Crew shall not stand, sit and lie on the safety lines apart from the stern rails as far as there are no legs to the outside.

When tacking or gybing, crew shall not hang, push or pull on the shrouds, mast, cockpit safety lines, stanchions or any other item to promote the manoeuvre.

#### **4.2 Bowsprit**

The bowsprit shall be fully retracted at all times except when the gennaker is being set, is set, or is being retrieved, and shall be retracted at the first reasonable opportunity after the retrieval.

An extended bowsprit shall not be considered part of the boat for the purposes of:

Establishing an overlap, or establishing right of way, unless the gennaker is set.

#### **4.3 Standing rigging and lifelines**

The setting of the shrouds, forestay and lifelines (security lines out of the cockpit) may only be changed in accordance with instructions from the race committee or a repairman. The backstay may be adjusted while sailing.

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**Attachment 3:**

## Damage Report

Note If there is a damage on one of the boats when you take over, please inform the race committee immediately and before the start of the next race	
Boats Number	
Responsible skipper/crew member	
Date and Time	
Description of damage	
Cause of Damage	
Signature Skipper/responsible crew member	

For Race Committee use:

Damage report received (Date and time)	
Estimated cost of repair work	
Comments	

Notice:

In case of any damage, every skipper is obligated to fill in a complete damage report for the race committee and organizing authority.

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## **Attachment 4: ADDENDUM Q - UMPIRED FLEET RACING**

These sailing instructions change the definition Proper Course, and rules 20, 28.2, 44, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64.1, 65, 66, 70, 78.3 and B5.

### **Q1 CHANGES TO RACING RULES**

*Additional changes to rules are made in instructions Q2, Q3, Q4, and Q5.*

#### **Q1.1 Changes to the Definitions and the Rules of Part 2 and Part 4**

- (a) Add to the definition Proper Course: 'A boat taking a penalty or manoeuvring to take a penalty is not sailing a proper course.'
- (b) When rule 20 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
  - (1) for 'Room to tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
  - (2) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

Instruction Q1.1(b) does not apply to boards.

#### **Q1.2 Changes to Rules Involving Protests, Requests for Redress, Penalties and Exoneration**

- (a) The first sentence of rule 44.1 is replaced with: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2 when, in an incident while racing, she may have broken one or more of the rules of Part 2 (except rule 14 when she has caused damage or injury), rule 31 or rule 42.'
- (b) For boards, the One-Turn Penalty is one 360° turn with no requirement for a tack or a gybe.
- (c) Rule 60.1 is replaced with 'A boat may protest another boat or request redress provided she complies with instructions Q2.1 and Q2.4.'
- (d) The third sentence of rule 61.1(a) and all of rule 61.1(a)(2) are deleted. Rule B5 is deleted.
- (e) Rule 64.1(a) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting instruction of this addendum.

### **Q2 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS BY BOATS**

**Q2.1** While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14) or under rule 31 or 42; however, a boat may only protest under a rule of Part 2 for an incident in which she was involved. To do so she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display the Y-flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall remove the flag before, or at the first reasonable opportunity after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty voluntarily or after an umpire's decision. However, a board need not display a red flag.

**Q2.2** A boat that protests as provided in instruction Q2.1 is not entitled to a hearing. Instead, a boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by taking a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2. An umpire may penalize any boat that broke a rule and was not exonerated, unless the boat took a voluntary penalty.

**Q2.3 - Deleted**

**Q2.4** A boat intending to

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- (a) protest another boat under a rule other than instruction Q3.2 or rule 28, or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1,
- (b) protest another boat under rule 14 if there was contact that caused damage or injury, or
- (c) request redress

shall hail the race committee immediately after finishing. The same time limit applies to protests under instruction Q5.5. The protest committee may extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so.

**Q2.5** The race committee will promptly inform the protest committee about any protests or requests for redress made under instruction Q2.4.

**Q2.6** The representative of the protesting team shall be available in a shuttle rib for a hearing on the water right after the crew change.

### **Q3 UMPIRE SIGNALS AND IMPOSED PENALTIES**

**Q3.1** An umpire will signal a decision as follows:

- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
- (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'A penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
- (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'A boat is disqualified.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify the boat disqualified.

**Q3.2** (a) A boat penalized under instruction Q3.1(b) shall take a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2.

(b) A boat disqualified under instruction Q3.1(c) shall promptly leave the course area.

### **Q4 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS INITIATED BY AN UMPIRE; ROUNDING OR PASSING MARKS**

**Q4.1** When a boat

- (a) breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty,
- (b) breaks rule 42,
- (c) breaks SI C4.1 or C4.2,
- (d) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- (e) deliberately breaks a rule,
- (f) commits a breach of sportsmanship, or
- (g) fails to comply with instruction Q3.2 or to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire,

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire may impose one or more One-Turn Penalties to be taken in accordance with rule 44.2, each signalled in accordance with instruction Q3.1(b), or disqualify her under instruction Q3.1(c), or report the incident to the protest committee for further action. If a boat is penalized under instruction Q4.1(g) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.

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**Q4.2** The last sentence of rule 28.2 is changed to 'She may correct any errors to comply with this rule, provided she has not rounded the next mark or finished.' A boat that does not correct any such error shall be disqualified under instruction Q3.1(c).

**Q4.3** An umpire who decides, based on his own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than instruction Q3.2 or rule 28 or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3. However, he will not inform the protest committee of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

**Q5 PROTESTS; REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS**

**Q5.1** No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire.

**Q5.2** A boat may not base an appeal on an alleged improper action, omission or decision of the umpires. A party to a hearing may not base an appeal on the decision of the protest committee. In rule 66 the third sentence is changed to 'A party to the hearing may not ask for a reopening.'

- Q5.3**
- (a) Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
  - (b) The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
  - (c) If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty of points or fraction of points or make another arrangement it decides is equitable, which may be to impose no penalty.
  - (d) If the protest committee penalizes a boat in accordance with instruction Q5.3 or if a standard penalty is applied, all other boats will be informed about the change of the penalized boat's score.

**Q5.4** The race committee will not protest a boat.

**Q5.5** The protest committee may protest a boat under rule 60.3. However, it will not protest a boat for breaking instruction Q3.2 or rule 28, a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, or rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

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