



MELGES²⁴
International Melges 24 Class Association



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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2019

Marina di Villasimius, Italy

October 5th – 12th, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



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The Organizing Authority (OA) is FIV, Italian Sailing Federation, which delegates the organization to Lega Navale Italiana – Sez. Villasimius in cooperation with the International Melges 24 Class Association (IM24CA) and the Italian Melges 24 Class Association.

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of the national authority, FIV, will apply as stated in the Notice of Race.
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 1.4 The Class Rules of the IM24CA will apply.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix P will apply as changed in NOR 12.4.
- 1.6 RRS Appendix T will apply.
- 1.7 The following rules will be changed in accordance with RRS 86.1(b):
 - 1.7.1 All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices all the time while racing, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices.
 - 1.7.2 The Race Committee (RC) will use VHF radio to communicate to the fleet. Failure in broadcasting or failure to hear the broadcast shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
 - 1.7.3 The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text shall take precedence.
- 1.9 The WORLD SAILING Sailor Classification Code will apply for competitors competing for the Corinthian Trophy, in accordance with the IM24CA regatta regulations.
- 1.10 The International Jury may impose penalties less than disqualification (DPI), for violation of the Class rules and Racing rules other than those of Part 2.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Race Office at Marina di Villasimius. Notices will also be posted on the event site in Yacht Scoring at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=9411>

2.2 Any questions concerning these sailing instructions, scoring, or any other racing issues shall be submitted in writing to the Race Office. Forms to submit inquiries are available there. All written inquiries and responses will be posted on the official notice board.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 or within the, protest time limit whichever is later on the day before it will take effect

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on flag pole located at the center of the Marina Villasimius.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes for race area Alfa and 'not less than 60 minutes for race area Bravo. This changes Race Signals.
- 4.3 The Race Committee will announce its intentions for the day, including the racing area every morning at the Competitors Briefing. After briefing intentions will be posted on Notice Board.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Qualifying series and final series

If entry numbers warrant (more than 100 entries) the OA may decide to run the championship with a qualifying series and a final series. The relevant procedure and scoring system will be published by the OA when the registration has completed.

5.2 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS [DP][NP]

PROGRAM

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>5 Oct.</u>	<u>Check-in, Registration and Measurement and Crew Weigh-in</u>	<u>8.00 to 12.30 from 13.30 to 18:00</u>
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>6 Oct.</u>	<u>Check-in, Registration and Measurement and Crew Weigh-in</u>	<u>8.00 to 12.30 from 13.30 to 18:00</u>
<u>Monday</u>	<u>7 Oct.</u>	<u>Check-in, Registration and Measurement and Crew Weigh-in</u> <u>Practice Race</u> <u>All Boats afloat</u> <u>Opening Ceremony / Competitors Meeting</u>	<u>8.00 to 12.30 - 13.30 to 18:00</u> <u>At 14.00</u> <u>At 18.00</u> <u>At 18:30</u>
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>8 Oct.</u>	<u>Competitors Briefing</u> <u>Races</u> <u>Socials tbd</u>	<u>11.00</u> <u>13.00</u> <u>After races (Notice Board)</u>
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>9 Oct.</u>	<u>Competitors Briefing</u> <u>Races</u> <u>Socials tbd</u>	<u>90 mins before 1st Warning Signal</u> <u>TBA</u> <u>After races (Notice Board)</u>
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>10 Oct.</u>	<u>Competitors Briefing</u> <u>Races</u> <u>Socials tbd</u> <u>Championship Sailors' Dinner</u>	<u>90 mins before 1st Warning Signal</u> <u>TBA</u> <u>After races (Notice Board)</u> <u>Notice Board information</u>
<u>Friday</u>	<u>11 Oct.</u>	<u>Competitors Briefing</u> <u>Races</u> <u>Socials tbd</u>	<u>90 mins before 1st Warning Signal</u> <u>TBA</u> <u>After races (Notice Board)</u>
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>12 Oct.</u>	<u>Competitors Briefing</u> <u>Races</u> <u>Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony</u>	<u>90 mins before 1st Warning Signal</u> <u>TBA</u> <u>After races (Notice Board)</u>

5.3 Twelve (12) races are scheduled for the championship.

5.4 The RC may race as many as three (3) races each day.

5.5 The O.A. and/or the R.C. reserve the right to modify the program due to weather conditions or other reasons. The proper communication will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 20:00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5.6 On the last day there will be no warning signal after 15:00.

5.7 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be **displayed with one sound at least five (5) minutes before a warning signal is made.**

6 CLASS FLAG

6.1 The Class flag used in accordance with RRS 26 will be: Melges 24 insignia.

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment B shows the location of the racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The course to be sailed will be of a windward-leeward configuration. Offset and gate marks will be used.

Course 1: Start – 1 – 1a – 2S/2P – 1 – 1a – Finish (Downwind)

Course 2: Start – 1 – 1a – 2S/2P – 1 – 1a – 2S/2P – Finish (Upwind)

8.2 The diagrams in SI Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the designated course, approximate compass bearing and distance from the RC signal boat to mark 1. This information will also be broadcast on the fleet VHF channel.

Example Course Board:

2	- Course indication
195	- Bearing to 1 st mark
1.3	- Distance to 1 st mark

8.4 If only one gate mark is set, boats shall round the single mark to port.

8.5 Except when there is a change of course:

- (a) the downwind finishing line for course 1 will be to leeward of the Gate; and
- (b) the upwind finishing line for course 2 will be 0.1nm to windward of mark 1.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2s and 2p will be red cylindrical buoys.

9.2 New mark, as provided in SI 12.1, will be yellow cylindrical buoy.

9.3 The starting marks will be the race committee vessel at starboard end and race committee vessel at port end.

9.4 The finishing marks will be the race committee vessel on at the port end and yellow cylindrical buoy at the starboard end.

9.5 A race committee vessel signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 12.2.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

There are no areas that are obstructions.

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

11.2 A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

11.3 Boats subject to individual recall (RRS 29.1) may be broadcast on the VHF channel 74 using bow numbers. Failure of the RC to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the bearing and/or distance of the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. A new windward mark will be placed without an offset mark 1a.

12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staff displaying blue flag on the finishing mark at the port-end and the course side of the starboard end finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 The first sentence of RRS 44.1 is changed to read: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, RRS 31 or class rule C.11 while racing."

14.2 Unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties for infractions while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2.

14.3 If a members of the Jury witnesses a breach of RRS Part 2, RRS 31 and/or Class rule C.11, they may indicate their observation by making a long sound (whistle) and showing a red flag. The boat shall then exonerate herself by complying with SI 14.1. If no penalty is taken the Jury may protest.

14.4 If the members of International Jury witnesses a protest being hailed and the red flag being shown, they may decide the incident and indicate by hailing the bow / sail number and pointing to her which boat, if any, should take a penalty. Judge initiated penalties may be imposed if the boat breaks rule 31 or class rule C11.

14.5 If a members of the Jury witnesses an incident and decides that no breach occurred (no rules were broken), they may indicate their observation by making a long sound (whistle) and displaying a green and white or green flag.

14.6 Appendix P will apply, changed as follows :

14.6.1 The penalty under rule P2.1 will be a one-turn penalty. This changes RRS 44.2.

14.6.2 Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

14.7 The Jury may be positioned anywhere on the course area to observe conditions and the competition. Their position at any time shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14.8 A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the jury office prior to the end of protest time. The absence of a completed acknowledgement form will be considered as a penalty not taken in a hearing.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 The target time for each race is 60 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.2 The time limit for each race will be 90 minutes.

15.3 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 RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the final race on a given day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The RC will post the end of the protest time limit on the official notice board.

16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Notices will be placed on the official notice board.

16.4 Hearings will be held in the protest room at Marina Villasimius, beginning at the time posted. The jury may schedule hearings before the end of protest time if the parties are available.

16.5 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or Jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

16.6 A list of boats that have been scored OCS, UFD, and/or BFD will be posted on the official notice board.

16.7. On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a jury decision under RRS 62.2 shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted.

16.8 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

17 SCORING

17.1 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

(a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from six to twelve races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17.2 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a 'Scoring Inquiry Form' available at the Race Office and submit the completed form.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

18.1 A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area between races shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The use of VHF is acceptable.

18.2 Boats not leaving the harbour for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the OA.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

19.1 Substitution of competitors shall not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

19.2 Competitors desiring to substitute crew shall have crew members weighed-in half an hour before the competitors meeting.

19.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the technical committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the technical committee the official notice board.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and sailing instructions.

20.2 In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the Class Rules.

21 EVENT ADVERTISING/ IDENTIFICATION STICKERS/BOW NUMBERS [NP]

21.1 Boats are required to display event advertising as provided by the OA in Attachment E.

21.2 Bow numbers shall be in place in accordance with the class rule H3.

21.3 Corinthian boats shall have red dots on main sail provided by OA as described in Attachment D.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

Jury boats: White flag with a black "JURY"

Media boats: Yellow flag with an "M"

Race Committee boats: White and Red "RC" flag

Technical committee boats: "TC"

23 COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall comply with SI Attachment C.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL [DP]

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats, when not racing.

25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP]

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

27 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

27.1 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 and other electronic communication equipment.

27.2 The RC will use VHF 74 to communicate to the fleet, including the location of the starting area, countdown to the start, OCS bow numbers, general recalls and postponements. Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to hear them shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

28 PRIZES

See NoR 19.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the OA, the IM24CA, event management, officers, employees, volunteers, etc. will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. Liability waivers shall be signed by all competitors during registration.

30 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 € per event or the equivalent. Declarations to confirm that will be required to sign during registration.

31 CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as supplied by and specified by the OA.

32 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

Competitors grant the OA and the International Melges 24 Class Association the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' names and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this waiver of rights.

RACE OFFICIALS:

Principal Race Officer: Athanasios Papantoniou GRE

IM24CA Championship Coordinator Europe: David Bartol SLO

Jury Chair: Arto Kiiski FIN

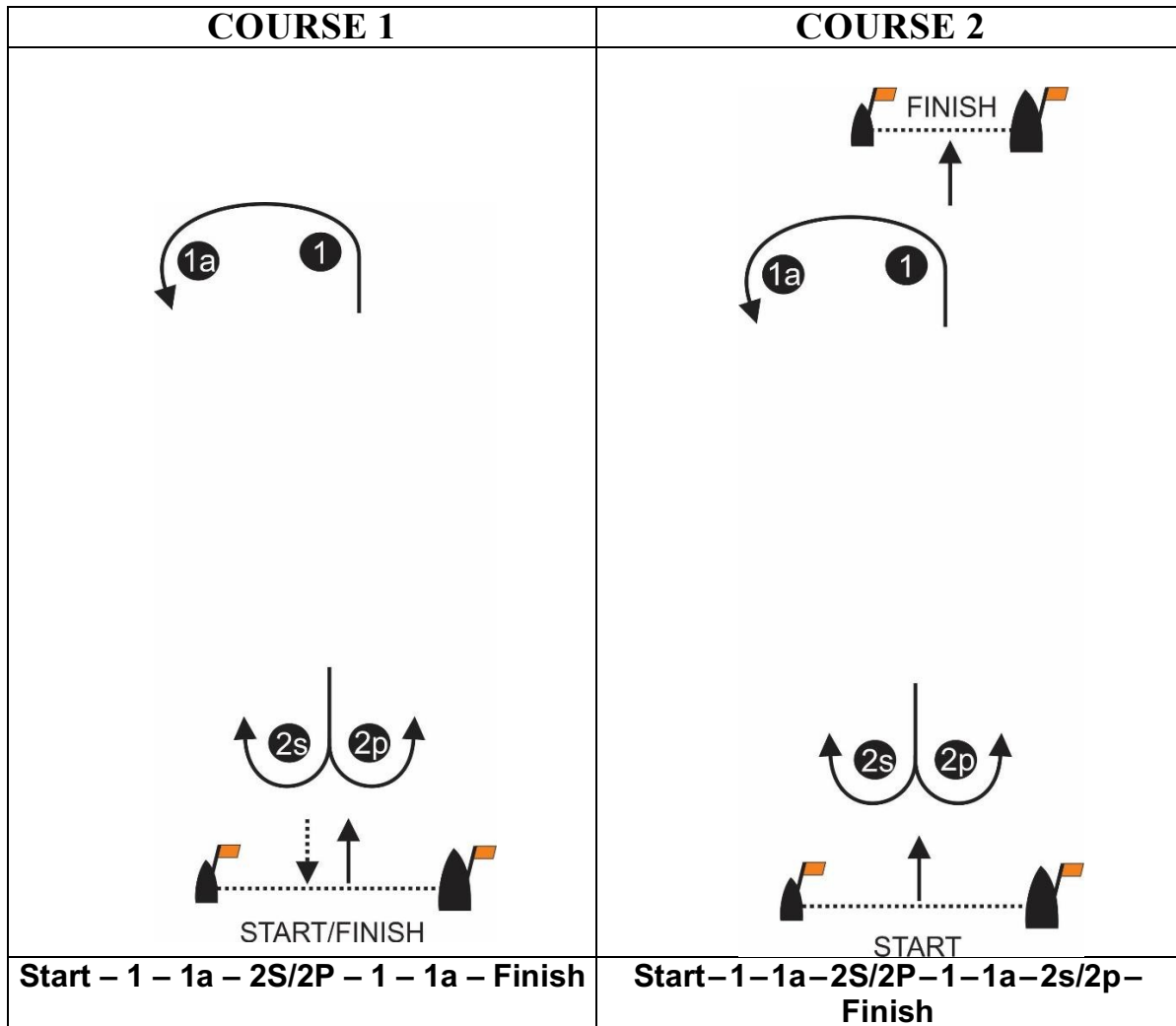
Technical Committee: Gabor Csernussi HUN (IM); Branko Parunov SLO (Chief Equipment Inspector)

Regatta Chair: Mirco Babini ITA

IM24CA Administrator: Piret Salmistu EST

ATTACHMENT A – COURSE DIAGRAMS

THE DISTANCES AND MARK POSITIONS ARE NOT TO SCALE



ATTACHMENT B – RACING AREAS



ATTACHMENT C

COACH, SUPPORT, PRESS & SPECTATOR BOATS

COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 1.Coach and support boats shall register with the race office during registration. They shall declare which boat or boats they are attached to.
- 2.Coach and support boats shall display a flag, or other identification symbol, as may be required by the race committee.
- 3.No coach boat or support boat shall pass information in any way to a boat that is racing. Rule 41 infringements of this will be taken very seriously.
- 4.Coach and support boats shall communicate only with the boats they are registered to, and only by means of voice between races. Closed VHF or mobile telephone communication is prohibited.
- 5.All Melges 24 boats shall proceed to and from the racing area under their own power.
- 6.There shall be no transfer of any goods or equipment until after the finish of the last race of the day between Melges 24's and their coach or support boats.
- 7.Coach and support boats shall not go alongside their Melges 24's until after the finish of the last race of the day.
- 8.Coach and support boats **shall keep clear of the racing area at all times during racing.**
- 9.Any coach or support boat that interferes with another competitor or the racing in any way, including creating excess wash, or hinders an official boat carrying out its duties shall have the competitor(s) to which they are attached, liable to a penalty at the discretion of the jury.
10. Any competitor may protest under this attachment.
- 11.The penalty given by the jury is at their discretion, but shall be applied to the overall score and therefore not discarded.

PRESS AND SPECTATOR BOATS

- 1.All Press and official spectator boats shall be registered by the race organizing authority during registration.
- 2.Press and spectator boats shall display any flag, or other identification symbol as may be required by the race committee.
- 3.The race organizers may appoint one or more photo boats, which will be allowed within the race course. The position of these boats shall not be grounds for redress.
- 4.Press and spectator boats shall not interfere with the racing in anyway and shall stay at a distance outside the racecourse where their wake causes no problem.

ATTACHMENT D

CORINTHIAN DOTS:

Red Corinthian dots are to be applied to the upper section of the mainsail in the center of the triangle bounded by the head and the top batten. One dot is to be applied in the same position on each side of the sail.

CORINTHIAN RED DOTS STICKER PLACEMENT



ATTACHMENT E

OA EVENT ADVERTISING STICKERS

