



## ISAF WOMEN'S MATCH RACING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2010

**New York Yacht Club  
Newport, Rhode Island, USA  
20-25 September 2010**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

*Approved by ISAF on 27 April 2010*

#### **1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the New York Yacht Club (NYYC) on behalf of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) and the U.S. Sailing Association (US SAILING).

#### **2 VENUE**

The venue will be Newport, Rhode Island, USA.

#### **3 EVENT GRADING**

The event is an ISAF WC event.

#### **4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM**

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| 4.1 | Monday     | 20 Sept.    | 0900      | Sailing office opens                        |
|     |            |             | 0900-1600 | Registration                                |
|     |            |             | 0900-1600 | Crew weigh-in                               |
|     |            |             | 1000-1600 | Practice sessions allocated by the OA       |
|     |            |             | 1600      | First briefing                              |
|     |            |             | 1630      | First meeting with Umpires (after briefing) |
|     |            |             | 1830      | Opening ceremony                            |
|     | Tues.-Sat. | 21-25 Sept. | 0815      | Daily briefing                              |
|     |            |             | 0930      | First attention signal                      |
|     | Saturday   | 25 Sept.    |           | Prize giving at the conclusion of racing    |
- 4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
- First briefing for skippers,
  - Daily briefing, for skippers.
  - Opening Ceremony
  - Daily Press Conference
  - Regatta Dinner, for skippers
  - Prize giving on Saturday 25 September 2010.

## **5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY**

- 5.1 Twenty female skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. Invitations will be issued in the following order to:
- (a) The defending champion;
  - (b) Five skippers will be invited using the ISAF World Cup Standings on 01 June 2010. When an eligible skipper does not accept an invitation, then the next highest ranked skipper shall be invited until five skippers have accepted;
  - (c) Twelve skippers will be invited using the ISAF Women's World Match Racing Ranking list on 09 June 2010. When an eligible skipper does not accept an invitation, then the next highest ranked skipper shall be invited until twelve skippers have accepted;
  - (d) Two Wild Cards as agreed by NYYC, US SAILING and ISAF; an additional wild card if the invitation under 5.1(a) is not accepted.
- 5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of their invitation in writing, or by fax or e-mail to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.4 Any competitor (skipper and crew) **must** be a national of the MNA which she represents unless dispensation is granted by ISAF. Please see ISAF Regulation 17.5 (National Criteria Guidelines).
- 5.5 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF Eligibility Code, regulation 19.2.
- 5.6 All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor). Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

## **6 ENTRIES**

- 6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made as specified in the letter of invitation.
- 6.2 Entry Fee - A non-refundable entry fee of \$750 USD shall be received by 16 August 2010 at 1700 EDT. Competitors will receive breakfast and lunch daily, plus two dinners during the event. Payment details will be provided to invited skippers. A limited amount of private housing may be available on a first come, first served basis by contacting the OA.
- 6.3 Damage deposit
- (a) All skippers will be required to provide an initial \$500 USD damage deposit at registration by providing credit card information. The deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
  - (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it will require that sufficient funds in the original amount are available before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
  - (c) Any damage not covered by insurance and not attributed to one or more skippers may be charged to all skippers on a pro-rated basis.

## **7 RULES**

- 7.1
- (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS including Appendix C.
  - (b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races.
  - (c) US SAILING Prescriptions to rules 68, 70.5(a) and 76.1, as well as rules 61.4 and 76.3, shall apply and will be posted on the regatta website at [www.nyyc.org/isafwomens/](http://www.nyyc.org/isafwomens/).
- 7.2 An International Jury (IJ) will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

7.3 Rule 40 is changed so that it applies at all times while racing, without the need for display of the Y flag. This changes RRS 40.

## **8 BOATS AND SAILS**

8.1 The event will be sailed in Sonar type yachts provided by the OA.

8.2 Ten boats, plus spares, will be provided.

8.3 A mainsail, jib and spinnaker will be provided for each boat.

8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee and will be identified by boat number.

## **9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)**

9.1 The number of crew including the skipper shall be 4. All shall be female, and all registered crew shall sail all races.

9.2 The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 272 kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts. The multiplier for conversion to pounds is 2.20462.

9.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the ISAF Technical Delegate may authorize an original crew member to substitute.

9.4 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the ISAF Technical Delegate may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other replacement.

## **10 EVENT FORMAT**

10.1 The event will consist of the following stages:

Stage 1 Round robin(s) with one or more groups. Seedings will be based on ISAF Women's World Match Racing Ranking list on 15 September 2010.

Stage 1A Round robin(s) between groups seeded by results in Stage 1

Stage 2 Quarter Finals as specified in the sailing instructions

Stage 3 Semi Finals / Finals including sail-offs for places 5-12

10.2 The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions or other circumstances do not permit the completion of the intended format.

## **11 COURSE**

11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings and a downwind finish.

11.2 The intended course area will be on Narragansett Bay off Newport, Rhode Island.

## **12 ADVERTISING**

12.1 ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, will apply. Advertising on the supplied equipment is available to the OA in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.3.

12.2 While racing, yachts shall display the backstay flag for each day of racing as provided by the Organizing Authority at registration in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.1(c).

12.2 Competitors may be required to wear bibs provided by the OA. Instruction for the use will be provided at registration.

12.3 Competitors shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (this changes RRS 60.1).

## **13 PRIZES**

13.1 The first placed skipper after Stage 1A Round Robin(s) will be presented with the ISAF Nucci Novi Ceppellini Memorial Trophy.

13.2 The first placed skipper in the final results will be declared as the ISAF Women's Match Racing World Champion 2010 and will be presented with the ISAF Françoise Pascal Memorial - Women's Match Racing World Championship Trophy.

13.3 ISAF Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be presented to the top 3 teams.

#### **14 MEDIA IMAGES & SOUNDS**

The OA may require television equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use any images and sounds recorded during the event free of charge.

#### **15 COACHES**

15.1 Individual Coach Boats shall not be allowed. An individual coach boat is any boat that is under the direction or control of a person gathering information or giving material support for the benefit of particular competitors either on the water or off.

15.2 Coaches may register during registration time as per NOR 4.1 for an accreditation fee of \$300 USD. This fee includes access to the same social functions as a competitor. Each team may register one coach. Only coaches with a valid accreditation are entitled to attend official meetings (e.g. Briefing and Debriefing).

15.3 The OA may provide a combined coach boat. Only coaches registered as per NOR 15.2 will be permitted on this boat.

#### **16 OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

16.1 Each team may be required to fly a national flag provided by the OA from the backstay of the boat.

16.2 In addition to the requirements in NOR 4.2, competitors may be required to take part in social activities during the event if so requested by the OA and approved by the ISAF Technical Delegate.

#### **17 DISCLAIMER**

17.1 As a condition of entry, each competitor shall sign a liability waiver/media release available at [www.nyyc.org/isafwomens/](http://www.nyyc.org/isafwomens/) and submitted at registration.

17.2 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Presenting Sponsor and affiliated companies, and other sponsors will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

#### **18 INVITATIONS**

Entries will only be accepted from invited female skippers.

#### **19 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please visit our website at [www.nyyc.org/isafwomens/](http://www.nyyc.org/isafwomens/) or contact the Sailing Office.

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