



EUROSAF Match Racing
Women's European Championship, 2012
11th – 15th September, 2012

NOTICE OF RACE

Version 1.0 – 17th May, 2012

Under the Authority & Direction of the European Sailing Federation

1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Real Club Marítimo de Santander in conjunction with Real Federación Española de Vela and EUROSAF.

2. VENUE

The venue will be Real Club Marítimo de Santander, Santander, Spain.

3. EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for ISAF Grade 2.

This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be regarded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 Schedule

- (a) Race office open from 10.00 11th September, 2012
- (b) Registration 11/09/2012 between 10.00 and 18.00
- (c) Crew weighing 11/09/12 between 10.00 and 18.00
- (d) Practice 11/09/2012 between 10.00 and 16.00
- (e) Opening Ceremony on 11/09/2012 at 19.00
- (f) First briefing 11/09//2012 following the opening Ceremony
- (g) First meeting with umpires following the first briefing
- (h) Racing days from 12/09/2012 to 15/09/2012
- (i) Time of the first race each day will be 10.00
- (j) Daily press conference 45 min after the last race of each day
- (k) Prize giving on Tuesday 15/09/2012 approximately 1 hour after the last race finishes.

4.2 Attendance

Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Daily briefing for skippers
- (c) Daily press conferences for skippers sailing that day.
- (d) Prize-giving for top four placed skippers and crews.



5. SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

12 skippers will be invited for each event. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. Skippers will be invited as follows:

- 5.1 The event will be open for skippers from European nations who are members of the EUROSAF.
- 5.2 One place is reserved for the current Champion and one for the host country. The host wildcard will be decided by National Sailing Federation.
- 5.3 All other entries will be based on the ISAF Match Racing Ranking 4 months prior to the event, except that only one entry in each event will be accepted from any one MNA.
- 5.4 If fewer than 12 entries are registered within the time limit for entry, the OA will fill up with entries in accordance with EUROSAF Match Racing Regulation 3.6.
- 5.5 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.6 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing, (e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation. **Entry fee must be paid by 20th July 2012.**
- 5.7 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2.
- 5.8 All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES & ENTRY FEES

- 6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, the weighing of crews and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made in Euros.
- 6.2 A non-refundable entry fee of €500,00 EUR shall be paid by 20th July 2012.
- 6.3 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event, or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by the ISAF. (ISAF Regulation 27.2)
- 6.3 Damage Deposit
 - (a) An initial damage deposit of €1.000,00 EUR shall be paid in cash or by credit card at the time of registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
 - (b) In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit being imposed by the OA, it may be required that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
 - (c) Any remaining deposit will be refunded within 10 days of the event concluding.



7. RULES

7.1

- (a) The event shall be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.
- (b) The rules for the handling of boats shall apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules shall not apply.
- (c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply shall be posted on the official notice board.

7.2 Major Alterations to the RRS.

- (a) Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
- (b) RRS C8.6 will be changed in the sailing instructions.

- 7.3 An International Jury (IJ) shall be appointed, approved by the national authority, in accordance with RRS Appendix N and the EUROSAF Match Racing Regulation 7.

8. BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The Championship will be sailed in Elliott 6m boats
- (b) 7 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Genoa, Jib, Spinnaker
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily, or for each round, as decided by the Race Committee.

9. CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3. The team shall consist of at least 2 nationals of the country it represents, one from whom shall be skipper. All registered crew members will sail all races.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing, shall be 204kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise an original crewmember to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crewmember is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10. EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
 - ❖ Stage 1 – Full Round-Robin (for 12 skippers)
 - ❖ Stage 2 - Quarter Final - knock-out series
 - ❖ Stage 3 - Semi-Finals – knock-out series
 - ❖ Stage 4 - Final and Petit Final – knock-out series
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions or the remaining scheduled time do not permit completion of the intended format.



11. COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard mark roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be just in front of the Club.

12. ADVERTISING

- (a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, ISAF regulation 20.4 applies, each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- (b) Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the Organizing Authority.
- (c) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13. PRIZES

- (a) The winners of the EUROSAF Match Racing, Open European Championship will be awarded the title *EUROSAF Match Racing, European Open Champion, 2012*.
- (b) The winners of the EUROSAF Match Racing, Open European Championship will be awarded the *Wossala Trophy*. This is a trophy donated by a former President of EUROSAF, now President of Honour. This is a perpetual trophy, awarded annually and shall remain the property of EUROSAF. It is the responsibility of each champion to return it clean and undamaged for the next championship
- (c) EUROSAF gold, silver and bronze Championship Medals will be awarded to the first three teams.

There will be other prizes, but no prize-money.

14. MEDIA RIGHTS CAMERAS, IMAGES AND SOUND

- 14.1 By participating in the EUROSAF Match Racing Open European Championship, a competitor automatically grants to EUROSAF, the Organising Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make use of, publish and exhibit, at their sole discretion, any motion pictures, live or taped film or video, television productions and other reproductions, photographs etc. of him/her taken during the period of the competition, in which the competitor participates, without compensation.
- 14.2 If required by the OA:
 - (a) Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
 - (b) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
 - (c) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.
- 14.3 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.



14.4 The EUROSAF and the OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15. COACH BOATS

- (a) Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached. A 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.
- (b) The organisers will provide berths for coach boats.
- (c) Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation, may result in a penalty applied to the appropriate skipper or team, at the discretion of the Jury.

16. OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Each team may be requested to provide a national flag of approximately 50cms x 76cms for display from the stern of the boat.

17. DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

18. INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers and in accordance with the requirements of EUROSAF as indicated in NoR Section 5. If you wish to be invited, or you wish to receive further information about the Qualifying Events when available, please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the attached form and sending it to **Real Club Marítimo de Santander**, with a copy to your MNA.

After receiving an invitation, skippers are required to confirm their entry by sending the non-refundable entry fee to the organizing authority no later than: 20th July 2012.

Contact Name

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39004 Santander, Spain
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BARCLAYS BANK, S.A.

Plaza de Pombo, s/n
Account Number; 0065 0012 40 0001100600
IBAN: ES9100650012400001100600
SWIFT: MT 103

Please state the name and country of the payer when transferring the entry fee.



APPLICATION FOR INVITATION TO ENTER

EUROSAF MATCH RACING, WOMEN'S EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP, 2012

NAME OF SKIPPER	
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NATIONALITY	
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POSTAL ADDRESS	
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TELEPHONE NUMBER	
- HOME	
- MOBILE	

EMAIL ADDRESS	
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NAMES OF CREW	NAME	NATIONALITY

APPLICATION SUPPORTED BY NATIONAL AUTHORITY FOR SAILING	YES/NO
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SIGNATURE OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY	
NAME	
POSITION	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
DIRECT/MOBILE TELEPHONE NUMBER	