

Match Racing Women's National Championships

20.-21.9.2014

AUDI HSS Sailing Center

Grade 3

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Helsingfors Segelsällskap r.f.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Liuskasaari, Helsinki, Finland

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for ISAF Grade 3.

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

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 (a) Race office will be open on 20.9. 8:10 – 9:00

(b) Registration on 20.9. at 8:10 – 9:00

(c) Crew weighing on 20.9. at 8:10 – 9:00

(d) Practice on 19.9. at 17:00 – 21:00

(e) First briefing on 20.9. at 9:00

(f) First meeting with umpires following the first briefing

(g) Racing days from 20.9. to 21.9. Dinner is planned for 20.9. (the food served at the dinner is included in the price of the race). Last attention signal will be given at around 18:00 (this is though full discretion of the OA). The deadline of the race is at 21:00 on 21.9.

(h) On the first racing day, the first race will be as soon as practicable after the first meeting with umpires, on other day(s) as soon as practicable after the daily briefing at 9:00.

(i) Prize giving will be held on 21.9. as soon as practicable after the last match has been finished.

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

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Daily briefing for skippers.
- (c) Prize giving for skippers and crews participating in the final

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. Ten skippers will be invited. Skippers will be invited based on the ISAF ranking list as of August 13th 2014. There will be four wild cards. All participating Finnish skippers and crew members have to be members of the Finnish Matchrace Association. If an already confirmed skipper cancels his participation the OA will issue additional wild cards. The OA must receive the application forms at the latest on the 21st of August 2014. The invited skippers will receive their invitation by 24th of August 2014 and they must confirm their participation by 30th of August 2014.
- (b) The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing except in an emergency.
- (c) 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.
- (d) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2.
- (f) 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

- 6.1 The team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits.
- 6.2 A non-refundable entry fee of €300 shall be paid by 5.9.2014. All invited skippers will receive payment instructions per email.
- 6.3 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws 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 ISAF. (ISAF Regulation 27.2) He or she must also pay the entry fee in full.
- 6.4 Damage deposit
 - (a) An initial damage deposit of €500 shall be paid at 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 deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.

(c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

6.5 All competitors are required to have adequate third party insurance.

7 RULES

7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, and including Appendix C.

(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.

(c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply shall be posted on the official notice board.

7.2 Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from water and return on board a crew member provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

(a) The event will be sailed in 606 type boats

(b) 6 boats will be provided.

(c) The following sails will be provided for each boat:

mainsail, jib and 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 skipper) shall be 3. All registered crew shall sail all races.

(b) The maximum total crew weight shall be 204 kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.

(c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.

(d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10 EVENT FORMAT

The event will consist of the following stages:

stage 1 - round robin (possibly in groups)

stage 2 - quarter finals

stage 3 - semi finals

stage 4 - finals and petit finals

The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any stage, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format

11 COURSE

(a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

(b) The intended course area will be south of Skifferholmen.

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) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRICES

(a) There will be no price money.

14 INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by filling in the following form: bit.ly/1y5bEYD

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Skipper's name: _____

Current ISAF ranking: _____

Nation and Club represented: _____

ISAF Sailor ID: _____

Date: _____

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Crew names:

1. _____ **Nation:**

2. _____ **Nation:**