

MATCH RACE HARD
EUROPEAN 2010
YCH CHAMPIONSHIP

**The EUROSAF Open & Women's European Match Racing
Championships 2010**

11-15 May 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

Version 1 – December 27th 2009

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be the Yacht Club Hard.
Contact: info@ych.at Tel: +4369917310001
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2 VENUE

The venue will be Hard, Austria.

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 (a) Race office open from 10.00 May 11th 2010
- (b) Registration 11/5/2010 between 10.00 and 18.00
- (c) Crew weighing 11/5/2010 between 10.00 and 18.00
- (d) Practice 11/5/2010 between 10.00 and 16.00
- (e) Opening Ceremony on 11/5/2010 at 19.00
- (f) First briefing Tuesday 11/5/2010 following the opening Ceremony
- (g) First meeting with umpires following the first briefing
- (h) Racing days from 12/5/2010 to 15/5/2010
- (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 Saturday 15/5/2010 approximately 1 hour after the last race

4.2 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) Regatta dinner 15/5/2010 evening for skippers and crews.
- (d) Prize giving for top 4 placed skippers and crews for each event.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

(a) 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:

1. One place in each event is reserved for the current Champion and one for the host country. The host wildcard in each event will be decided by the Austrian Sailing Federation

2. In addition, there may be 1 further wildcard in the Women's event from Qualifier Events named by EUROSAF. Conditions for entry and qualification at these two events will be decided and published in a revised version of this Notice of Race and on the homepages for EUROSAF and the event.

3. Other entries will be based on the ISAF Match Racing Ranking 2 months prior to the event, except that only one entry in each event will be accepted from any one MNA.

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 Regulations 1.1.

(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. Entry fee must be paid by April 1st 2010.

(d) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2.

(e) 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.

(f) The event will be open for skippers from European nations. The winners of the events will be the European Match Racing Champions 2010.

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 in Euros.

6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of 400 Euro for Women Event and 500 Euro for the Open Event shall be paid by April 1st 2010

6.3 Damage deposit

(a) An initial damage deposit of 1.000 Euros shall be paid cash or credit card 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 a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may be necessary to top up the deposit 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 conclusion of the event.

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 shall 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

The warning signal for each flight shall be given 7 minutes before the start of the first match. This changes RRS C3.1.

7.3 An International Jury (IJ) shall be appointed, approved by the national authority, in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Blu 26 type boats for Open and Scholtz 22 for Women.
- (b) 6 boats will be provided for each event.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat:
Blue 26: Mainsail, Genoa, Jib, Spinnaker
Scholz 22: Mainsail, Jib, Gennaker.
- (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 4 for Open and 3 Women. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350 kg for Open and 204 kg for Women, 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 – Double Round-Robin Group A and Group B
Stage 2 - Quarter Final knock-out between the top 8 from Stage 1
Stage 3 - Semi-Finals for the winners of Stage 2
Stage 4 - A knock-out Finals and Petit Finals
Stage 5 - Matches for fifth to eight place
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, 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 in the Harder Becken and immediately outside of the Harder Becken on lake Constance.

12 ADVERTISING

- (a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, ISAF regulation 20.3.2 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 (amendment to RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

The winners of the EUROSAF Open European Championship will be awarded "the Piraterne Trophy" and the title *EUROSAF European Open Match Racing Champion 2010*, and the winner of the Women's event will be awarded "the Wossala Trophy" and the title *EUROSAF Women's European Match Racing Champion 2010*.

EUROSAF gold, silver and bronze medals will be given to the first three teams in each event.

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

14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA may require television personnel and 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 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 organizers will/will not provide berths for coach boats.

(c) Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organization may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the IJ to the appropriate skipper or team.

16 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Each team may be requested to provide a national flag 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 and as indicated in NoR 5(a). 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 Yacht Club Hard, with a copy to your MNA.

To confirm their entry, skippers are required to send the non refundable entry fee to the organizing authority no later than April 1st 2010.

Bank name: Raiffeisenbank am Bodensee
Account Number: 1000-53.587
BLZ: 37431
IBAN number: AT 95.37431 001 000 53587
BIC: R V V G A T 2 B 431

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