



# ITALIAN OPEN H-BOAT CLASS

**Luino - Italy, 27 – 29. 10. 2017**

## Sailing Instruction

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020
- 1.2 The English version of this SI shall prevail.
- 1.3 Rule 44.1 (Penalties system) will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty, with one tack and one gybe.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between Notice of Race and SI, the SI will prevail. This changes rules 63.7.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the first floor of the A.V.A.V. clubhouse.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the SI will be posted no later than 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the first race of the day, except any change to the schedule of races that will be posted by 19:30 on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals ashore will be displayed on the upper terrace of the A.V.A.V. clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag **AP** is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than **30** minutes' in the race signal AP.

### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- | Date              | Time          | Description                         |
|-------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Thursday 26/10/17 | 14:30-18:00   | Registrations, launching            |
| Friday 27/10/17   | 08:30 – 10:30 | Registrations, launching            |
|                   | 10:30         | Skipper Meeting                     |
|                   | <b>12:00</b>  | <b>First Warning Signal</b> , races |
| Saturday 28/10/17 |               | Races                               |
| Sunday 29/10/17   |               | Races, prize giving                 |
- 5.2 Up to 8 races are scheduled in the series. No more than 3 races will be sailed each day.
  - 5.3 On the last day of regatta, no warning signal will be displayed after 14:30.

### **6 CLASS FLAGS**

The class flag will be the flag "K".

### **7 RACING AREA**

The racing area will be posted on the notice board

### **8 COURSES**

The diagrams in Addendum 1 show the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

### **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 The windward mark 1, the offset mark 2 and the leeward mark 3 are cylindrical orange buoys.
- 9.2 The starting mark S is a cylindrical orange buoy. After the start mark S will become mark 3.
- 9.3 The finish mark F will be a round orange mark with staff and orange flag.

## **10 STARTING AND FINISH LINE VESSELS**

The starting and finish line vessel can use the engine to maintain their position. In this case, possible moving of the mentioned vessels on the starting or on the finish line will not be grounds for redress. This changes rules 27.2 and 62.1(a)

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule RRS 26.
- 11.2 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five (5) minutes before a warning signal.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between the staff with the orange flag on the RC vessel and mark S.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after the starting signal will be scored, without a hearing, "Did Not Start". This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark.
- 12.2 If the change of course will be on the windward leg, the offset mark (2) will not be a course mark any more. This changes rule 33(c) RRS.

## **13 THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between staffs with an orange flag on the RC vessel and on the finish mark F.

## **14 TIME LIMIT AND TARGET TIMES**

- 14.1 

<i>Target Time</i>	<i>Time Limit</i>
50 minutes	75 minutes
- 14.2 Failure to meet the target time will not be ground for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)
- 14.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored, without a hearing, "Did Not Finish-DNF". This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the time limit. The protest time limit will expire **75 minutes** after the end of the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and by the Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 15.2 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Race Committee room, located on the second floor in the A.V.A.V. clubhouse.
- 15.3 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or by the Protest Committee will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.4 Breaches of instructions 11.4, 17, 20, 21 and 22 will not be ground for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides.
- 15.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix 'A' is applied with the change that when fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores
- 16.2 One (1) race is needed to validate the event.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

**19 OFFICIAL VESSELS**

19.1 The RC signal vessel will display a white flag with red "RC".

19.2 The official vessels will display a white flag with red "S".

**20 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

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

**21 DIVING EQUIPMENT**

Underwater breathing apparatus shall not be used between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event. The use of snorkels is allowed.

**22 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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 phones.

**23 PRIZES**

Prizes will be published on the Notice Board.

**24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4 "Decision to Race". The Organising Authority 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.

**25 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of € 1.500.000,00 per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.

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**Addendum A : Courses**

**Course 1 : Pennant 1**

**Start - 1 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish**

**Course 2 : Pennant 2**

**Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish**

