Sailing Center

NJK End of Season Match Race 2019
October 12 - 13 2019

NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be Nyländska Jaktklubben r.f.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Björkholmen (Koivusaari), Helsinki, Finland.

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has applied for a World Sailing Grade 4.

This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 Schedule

(a) Race office open from October 11th 15:00 until 19:00 and on October 12th 08:30 until the first briefing.
(b) Registration at the race office which is open as described in 4.1 (a).
(c) Crew weighing at the race office which is open as described in 4.1 (a).
(d) Practice from October 11th 15:00 until 19:00. Practice session should be agreed in advance with the OA (email: sailingcenter@njk.fi).
(e) First briefing at October 12th 09:30.
(f) First meeting with umpires following the first briefing.
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(h) Racing days are October 12th and October 13th
(i) Time of the first race will be approximately 11:00 on both days.
(j) The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be approximately 17:00.
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(l) Prize giving as soon as possible after the last race.

(m) Social dinner for the teams in the evening of October 12th.

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

(a) Initial briefing for skippers.
(b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
(c) -
(d) Regatta dinner, for skippers and crew.
(e) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

5.1 A maximum 16 skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.

At minimum 8 skippers from the NJK Sailing Center will be invited. The OA can issue three (3) wild cards.

Skippers are invited based on their ranking status on the day of the deadline of requests for invitation. The OA can give preference to lower ranked skippers at OA's discretion and to teams and friends of NJK Sailing Center.

If an already confirmed skipper cancels his participation the OA will issue additional wild cards.

All Finnish skippers and crew need to be paid members of the Finnish Match Racing Association (http://matchracing.net).

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 the invitation by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

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5.5 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.

5.6 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES

6.1 Entering

(a) The skipper/team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits.

6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of **350 €** shall be paid **by October 4th 2019** using the payment link provided by the OA to the invited skippers.

The entry fee includes a social dinner (Season End party) for the teams in the evening of October 12th.

The teams are given a discount of 20 € for each crewmember who is a full season member of NJK Sailing Center.

6.3 Withdrawal

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within three weeks 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 World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage deposit

(a) An initial damage deposit commitment of 1 800 € shall be signed at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.

(b) If a 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 21 days after the event.

6.5 Insurance

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, 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 will 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 and C6.3 will be changed in the sailing instructions.

7.3 Deleted

7.4 The OA may place an observer on each boat to provide information to the umpires.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

8.1 The event will be sailed in J80 type boats modified for match racing.

8.2 8 boats will be provided.

8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Genoa, Jib, Symmetric spinnaker.

8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

9.1 The number of crew, including the skipper, shall be 3 or 4 or 5 or 6. All registered crew shall sail all races.

9.2 **Crew Weighing**

(a) The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.

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9.3 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any re-weighing the total weight limit is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalised, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.

9.4 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the RC may authorise an original crew member to substitute.

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10 EVENT FORMAT

10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin or divided into two groups based on the latest World Sailing Open Match Race ranking list.

10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:

Stage 1 - a full round robin* or a round robin in groups.
Stage 2 - -
Stage 3 - Quarter finals
Stage 4 - Semi Finals
Stage 5 - Finals

10.3 The RC may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

11 COURSE

11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

11.2 The intended course area will be south west of Björkholmen (Koivusaari), Helsinki and is shown on map included in the SI.

12 ADVERTISING

12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, World Sailing regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

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12.3 Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.

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

13 PRIZES

13.1 There will be prizes for first, second and third placed teams.

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13.3 These prizes have been approved by the national authority.

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13.5 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

14.1 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.

14.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

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

15 COACH BOATS

15.1 Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached.

15.2 The OA will not provide boats from which coaches may observe racing and communicate with their teams between matches.

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15.4 The OA will provide berths for coach boats.

15.5 Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the PC to the associated skipper or team

16 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

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17 DISCLAIMER

All those taking any 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. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as by September 29th with the OA by completing the form found here: http://www.njk.fi/sailingcenter/regattas/.

NB. The OA will be able to provide a limited number of discount priced hotel rooms for those who need this assistance. If you would like to use this opportunity, please send mail to sailingcenter@njk.fi.