



Open Danish Championship
DS Danmarksmesterskab
Melges 24
Sundby Sejlforening, 21- 23 August 2015
Sailing Instructions

1	RULES		
1.1	The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.		
1.2	The applying national prescriptions are incorporated into these sailing instructions.		
1.3	The Rules for Danish Championships in Sailing apply.(available on www.sejlsport.dk)		
1.4	Total weight of the crew is not to exceed 375 kg.		
2	NOTICES TO THE COMPETITORS		
	Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at bureau.		
3	CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS		
	Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.		
4	SIGNALS MADE ASHORE		
4.1	Signals made ashore will be given at the flagpole at the harbor.		
4.2	When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.		
5	TIME SCHEDULE		
5.1	Number of scheduled races is 12 and 5 races maximum per day.		
	<u>Day</u>	<u>Number of races</u>	<u>First warning</u>
	Friday	4	13.00
	Saturday	5	10.00
	Sunday	3	10.00
5.2	At least four races with a minimum total sailing time of 6 hours have to be completed to constitute a Danish Championship series.		
5.3	On the last day of racing no warning signal will be given later than 14.00.		
6	CLASS FLAG		
	Class flag will be numeral pennant 1.		
7	RACING AREA		



	Location of racing areas is between Flakfortet and Saltholm found in map “133 Sundet Midterste Del”, distance to racing areas is estimated to be 4 nautical miles.
8	THE COURSES
8.1	No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course, approximate compass bearing and inform (VHF) the participants about the distance of the first leg. Failure to broadcast or to receive this notification shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).The diagram in attachment 1 shows the course.
8.2	Course 4: (4 Legs) Start-1-1a-Gate-1-1a-Finish (Downwind) Course 6: (6 Legs) Start-1-1a-Gate-1-1a-Gate-1-1a-Finish(Downwind)
8.3	Gate: If only one Gate mark is set, boats shall round the single mark to port.
9	MARKS
9.1	Mark 1, 1A, 2A and 2B will be orange inflatable marks.
9.2	New marks as described in SI 11 will be orange buoys with an orange flag.
9.3	Starting and finishing line marks will be the RC vessel at one end and a rib at the other end. In the event that the rib is not on station, it will be replaced by an orange mark with an orange flag.
10	THE START
10.1	The races will be started by using Rule 26.
10.2	To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least four minutes before a warning signal is made.
10.3	The starting line will be between the staffs displaying an orange flag on the starting line marks.
10.4	A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
10.5	The race committee will attempt to broadcast the individual recalls (OCS) and boats disqualified under rule 30.3 (BFD) by using the VHF channel identified in SI 25 using bow/sail numbers (see SI 25.2). This changes rules 29.1 and 30.3.
11	CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
	To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
12	FINISH
	The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing line marks.
13	PENALTY SYSTEM
13.1	The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to read: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.
13.2	Except if the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2
14	TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES



14.1	<p>Time limits and target times are as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Class</i></th> <th><i>Mark 1 time limit</i></th> <th><i>Time Limit</i></th> <th><i>Target time</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Melges 24</td> <td>45 min</td> <td>105 min</td> <td>60-75 min</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a). If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned.</p>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>	<i>Time Limit</i>	<i>Target time</i>	Melges 24	45 min	105 min	60-75 min
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14.2	Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A11								
15	PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS								
15.1	Protest forms are available at the jury office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the time limit.								
15.2	The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.								
15.3	Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the official notice board, beginning at the time posted.								
15.4	Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).								
15.5	Breaches of instructions 17, 20, 22, 23, 24 and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.								
15.6	On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.								
15.7	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 scoring system of rule Appendix A, as changed below shall apply.								
16.2	Four races with a total sailing time of at least 6 hours are required to be completed to constitute a Danish Championship series.								
16.3	When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.								
16.4	When from 6 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.								
17	SAFETY REGULATIONS								
	A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area between races 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 and only in accordance with the Rules for Danish Championships.
18.2	Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
19	EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS
	A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
20	IDENTIFICATION (track-track)
	Boats shall have a tracker during the event provided by Vikingtracker. The tracker will be provided to boats before leaving the harbor, and are to be returned after each day of racing for charging. It is the responsibility of the crew to ensure the tracker is on board and instructions regarding the tracker are met.
21	OFFICIAL BOATS Official boats may carry the club flag as identification
22	SUPPORT BOATS
	Support boats shall keep at least 50 meters distance to any racing boat.
23	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.
24	DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS
	Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.
25	RADIO COMMUNICATION
25.1	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 telephones.
25.2	The RC will use VHF radio to communicate to the fleet, including the location of the starting area, countdown to the start, general recalls and postponements. Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to hear them shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
25.3	VHF channel 69 will be used to communicate with competitors.
25.4	The RC may not acknowledge any radio transmission except in the case of an emergency, and shall not enter into dialogue with competitors.
26	PRIZES
26.1	The title “Danmarksmester” (Danish Champion) and Gold/Silver/Bronze will be awarded to the three best Danish boat/crew in accordance with the Rules of Danish Championships in Sailing.
26.2	Further prizes will be presented on a ratio of one for every five entrants.
27	DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
	Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.



28	INSURANCE
	All boats are required to hold adequate third-party insurance, and it is the owner or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate.
29	ORGANIZATION
	Race Officer: Christian Lerche, IRO (HS/KDY) Chairman of Protest Committee: Bjørn Anker-Møller, IJ (HS)



Attachment 1: Course.

Course 4: (4 Legs) Start-1-1a-Gate-1-1a-Finish (Downwind)

Course 6: (6 Legs) Start-1-1a-Gate-1-1a-Gate-1-1a-Finish(Downwind)

Mark rounding order: START - 1 - 1A - 2A/2B - 1 - 1A - FINISH

