

Sailing Instruction

RSV „Müritz“ e.V.

1. General

- 1.1. Races will be sailed according to the rules of ISAF, DSV instructions, the class rules approved by ISAF or the class rules for the respective class approved by the technical committee of the DSV, the notice of race, this sailing instruction and the programme.
- 1.2. In case of conflicts the programme is valid.
- 1.3. For advertising category “C” according ISAF regulation 20 applies, unless the notice of race includes no further restrictions.
- 1.4. The programme and the sailing instruction may be subject to changes. These will be posted near the regatta office in front of the boats shed. Changes to the programme will be posted until 7 p.m. as the latest and will take effect the following day. Changes to the sailing instruction will be issued no less than 2 hours before the start of the first race of the day.
- 1.5. All participants will be ready to present a valid measurement certificate or an approved copy thereof for their boat (appendix rule 78). New measurements are not carried out.
- 1.6. The number on the sail has to correspond with the registered one.
- 1.7. All participants must be members of a sailing club approved by their national association and should not be suspended by the ISAF (compare regulation 19).
- 1.8. In addition to rule 46 the person responsible for the boat must have either the DSV sailing licence, youngsters' licence, general sailing licence or a for the sailing area required or recommended official – from the DSV on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Construction and Housing issued and valid sailing licence. Foreign participants are required to be in possession of a licence valid with their association.
- 1.9. Substituting the helmsman is not allowed. Changes to the crew require a prior acknowledgement by the race officer.
- 1.10. Competitors are not allowed neither to transmit nor telephone or receive special radio messages. Mobile phones must be kept switched off unless class rules do not provide further restrictions.

2. Safety regulations

- 2.1. Every helmsman is fully responsible for the boat, handling it with proper seamanship. The organiser is only liable for the events described and acknowledged in the registration form.
- 2.2. In case of gale and precaution warnings via the public address system, on the notice board or by displaying flag “Y” on the harbour mast or on a race committee boat all competitors have

to don their life jackets. They have to be worn as long as the signals are shown. Not obeying to this procedure may result in disqualification (suppl. Rule 1.2 and 40). It is up to the race committee to prohibit unsuitable life-jackets.

- 2.3. A boat that abandons a race has to inform the race committee immediately. Not doing so will result in disqualification from the race or the series of races.

RSV-Tel. 039931 59198

3. Notices ashore

- 3.1 Notices by the race committee will be posted on the official notice board near the regatta office respectively by announcements via the public address system referring to these.

- 3.2 Signals can be given ashore by hoisting flags on the harbour mast:

Flag "L"	there is a notice on the board
Pennant "AP"	start postponement
Flag "P"	leave harbour immediately, start will be very soon
Flag "AP" over "A"	no race today
Numerical Pennant "2"	several races are planned today
Flag "Y"	wear life jackets while leaving harbour
Flag "B"	protest time is running (last 30 min. flag on half mast)

Together with a class flag the signal is only valid for the respective class.

4. The start

- 4.1 Races will be started by applying rule 26.

- 4.2 Start signals (T=starting time)

T minus 5 min.	warning signal (class flag)
T minus 4 min.	preparatory signal (Flag "P" or "I" or "Black")
T minus 1 min.	penalty time signal (Rule 30.1, 30.2, or 30.3)
T minus 0 min.	starting time

- 4.3 The starting order and class flags are displayed on the notice board. There could be changes to the starting order, watch out for the class flags.

- 4.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag and the starting boat and the port end orange starting mark with the word "START" on it.

- 4.5 For checking in and prior to the warning signal all boats have to pass from leeward a check-gate which will be between the starting boat and a mark with a yellow-red flag.

4.6 Boats not having started 10 minutes after the starting signal will be classified as DNS.

5. Courses

5.1 Course marks are yellow and cylinder-shaped.

5.2 Prior to the start mark 1 will be laid in a windward direction by the race committee. The race committee on the starting boat may indicate the compass bearing to mark 1.

5.3 Course layout



5.4 Displaying flag “Red” all marks must be rounded to port, with “Green” to starboard.

5.5 Full length course: Start, 1, 2, 3, 1, 3, Finish.

5.6 Shortened course: Start, 1, 2, 3, Finish.

6. Changing the course

6.1 Flag “C” on top or near mark 3 means mark 1 has been replaced by a new one. The new one is identified with flag “M”. With a leftward change a red flag resp. with a change to the right a green flag will be beneath flag “C”. For better identification the compass course to the new mark may be displayed on a board. The original mark will be removed as soon as possible. Such changes to the course may be possible several times during a race.

6.2 Flag “C” on the last mark to be rounded means: watch out for the position of the finishing boat, the course of which may deviate quite substantially from the direction of mark 1. The course bearing to the finish may be displayed additionally. The direction of the change will be given as described in 6.1.

7. The Finish

- 7.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing boat and an orange cylinder with the word “FINISH” on it as the finishing mark.

8. End of race, time limit

- 8.1 The end of a race is displayed by lowering the blue flag.
- 8.2 The race is ended 45 minutes (as a maximum) after the first boat of the corresponding class has finished. All other boats still on the course are regarded as DNF.

9. Protests, penalty system

- 9.1 In changing rule 61.(a) boats less than 6m in length have to show a protest flag.
- 9.2 A boat that has executed a penalty turn according to rule 44 or 31 has to inform the race committee in writing within the protest deadline. Otherwise the penalty is regarded as not executed.
- 9.3 A boat that wants to lodge a protest will inform the race committee of her intention immediately after finishing that race.
- 9.4 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat of the corresponding class has finished the last race.
- 9.5 Protests - written on the official form available from the regatta office - must be handed in within the limit of the protest time.
- 9.6 If possible, protests are heard in the sequence as they were handed in. Begin and order of hearings will be either announced via the public address system or put on the notice board within 30 minutes (as a maximum) after the end of the protest time.
- 9.7 Protesting parties and witnesses will be ready in front of the hearing room at the required time.
- 9.8 For the races appendix P applies.
- 9.9 Amending rule 66 – on the last racing day applications for reopening a hearing are not accepted later than 1 hour after the announcement of the decision.
- 9.10 Protests and objections on facts that could have been handled on the days before are not accepted on the last racing day (DSV racing rules, WO § 6.2).

10. Check-back

10.1 All boats have to check-back after arriving in the harbour by signing the check-back lists in the regatta office. With the signature of one crew member he or she assures that boat and crew have returned.

90 minutes after finishing the last race of the day the check-back lists are withdrawn. Boats having not signed the check-back lists without a reason given will be disqualified (amendment to rule 63.1).

11. Identification of race committee boats

11.1 Boats of the race and protest committee carry a yellow flag with a black “S” on it.

11.2 Signals and orders given by these boats must be obeyed.

April 2004