

Algarve Cup 2010

ISAF GRADE 2

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Abbreviations:

PC – Protest Committee	RC – Race Committee
OA – Organising Authority	NA – National Authority
RRS – Racing Rules of Sailing	SI – Sailing Instructions
IJ – International Jury	NoR – Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by
 - (a) the 'rules' as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.
 - (b) the rules for Handling Boats (SI appendix C), which also apply to any practice sailing races. Class rules will not apply.
 - (c) any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply shall be posted on the official notice board.
- 1.2 An IJ will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N, and the right of appeal will be denied in accordance with RRS 70.4.

2 ENTRIES and ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Only skippers invited by the OA are eligible for the event. The skippers are listed in SI Appendix A.
- 2.2 To remain eligible the entire crew shall complete registration, deposit 500 Euros for damage and complete crew weighing, all between the 10.00 and 19.00 on Thursday, 25th March unless extended by the OA.
- 2.3 The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each skipper for each incident. In the event that a deduction is made from the deposit, the skipper will be required to restore the deposit to the original value to maintain eligibility.
- 2.4 Each skipper is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the umpires or PC.
- 2.5 After the warning signal for a match the registered skipper shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.
- 2.6 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 2.7 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the entrance of the Club House.
- 3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast next to the Club House.
- 3.3 Skippers shall attend the first briefing, which will be at unless excused by the OA.
- 3.4 The first meeting with the umpires will be at 10.30 on Friday, 26th at the Club House.

- 3.5 A daily morning meeting will start at 09.30 at the Club House.
- 3.6 On racing days, Code flag “D” display on the mast ashore means: “The boats can be taken from its moorings places to race areas.”

4 AMENDMENTS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Amendments to the SI made ashore will be posted at least 30 minutes before the start of any race affected and will be signed by the RC and the IJ representatives.
- 4.2 Flag L over the numeral pennant of the most recent amendment will be displayed ashore each day until the boats have departed for the race course.
- 4.3 Amendments made afloat will be signalled by the display of flag 3rd substitute with three sound signals. An umpire may communicate these either verbally or in writing.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- 5.1 (a) The event will be sailed in J24 type boats.
(b) The sails to be used will be allocated by the RC.
- 5.2 The sail combination to be used will be signalled from the RC boat with or before the attention signal. The signals shall have the following meanings:
- | <u>Signal</u> | <u>Sail Combination to be used</u> |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| None | Jib, Full Main, Spinnaker |
| Flag K | No Spinnaker |
- 5.3 Other restrictions or instructions may be given to the boats verbally by an umpire. Flag 3rd substitute is not required.
- 5.4 The RC will decide which boats are to be used for each stage and when they decide a boat should not be used, the skipper assigned that boat will be given the temporary use of another boat.
- 5.5 The OA may permit a substitute boat when it is satisfied that the original boat is damaged and that repairs in the time available are not practical.

6 IDENTIFICATION and ASSIGNMENT OF BOATS

- 6.1 Boats will be identified by bow numbers 1 to 4.
- 6.2 Boats will be drawn each day at the morning meeting or at the beginning of each stage as decided by the RC.
In a knockout series the OA will nominate the boats for each match and the Skipper with the highest place in the previous stage (if places are tied it shall be broken by using App C11) will first have the choice of boat or the assigned end. If that skipper chooses an assigned end then his opponent may choose a boat and vice versa.
- 6.3 Boats will be exchanged in accordance with the pairing list and race schedule.

7 CREW MEMBERS, NUMBER and WEIGHT

- 7.1 The total number of crew, including the skipper, shall be 4 or 5 for an all women crew. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 7.2 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.

8 EVENT FORMAT AND STARTING SCHEDULES

- 8.1 The event format and match pairing lists are detailed in SI Appendix A.
- 8.2 (a) In a knock-out series between two skippers, they shall alternate assigned ends for each match. The initial assigned end shall be chosen by the skipper with the highest place in the previous stage (if places are tied it shall be broken by using App C11), or by his opponent, if that skipper has chosen a boat in accordance with SI 6.3. This changes RRS C4.1.
- (b) When a knock-out series between two skippers has been decided, further matches between these two shall not be sailed.
- (c) Crews will exchange boats after each odd numbered match of a knock out series.
- 8.3 The racing days are scheduled as 26th to 28st March.
- 8.4 The number of matches to be sailed each day will be determined by the RC.
- 8.5 (a) The RC may 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.
- (b) Add RRS C10.3(b): 'When a single round robin is terminated before completion, or a multiple round robin is terminated during the first round robin, the highest score shall be determined as the average points scored per match sailed by each competitor, unless one or more competitor has completed less than one third of the scheduled matches when the entire round robin shall be disregarded and if necessary the event declared void.'
- 8.6 The intended time of the first race each day will be 10.30 except on the first racing day that will be 12.00.
- 8.7 Each subsequent flight will be started as soon as practicable after the previous flight.
- 8.8 When a match cannot start at its intended time, the signals and starts of the following matches will remain as originally scheduled, leaving a blank start for the pair not starting. No warning signal flags will be displayed for a blank start.
- 8.9 When, in a knock out series, a winner of a particular series has been determined, subsequent starts shall be brought forward to eliminate blank starts. Competitors will be so advised verbally by an umpire.
- 8.10 The attention signal will be made not less than 15 minutes after Flag AP with one sound is lowered ashore. This changes C 3.2(b) and RRS Race Signals.
- 8.11 When directed by the match umpires, the warning signal may be made 1 minute after the removal of Flag AP or N. This Changes C3.2 and RRS Race Signals.

9 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in Vilamoura Marina Harbour.

10 COURSE

- 10.1 (a) **Course Configuration** (not to scale)

Mark W o

Start/Finish Line o----- o

Mark L o

(b) **Course signals and course to be sailed**

Course signals will be displayed from the RC boat, on a board, at or before the warning signal.

Course marks shall be rounded to starboard.

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Course</u>
S	Start - W - L - W - Finish
No flag	Start - W - L - W - L - W - Finish
T	Start - W - L - W - L - W - L - W - Finish

(c) **Description of Marks**

The RC boat will be identified by an RC flag.

The starting/finishing line mark will be black spherical

Course marks will be cylindrical yellow..

The replacement mark will be cylindrical orange.

10.2 Starting/Finishing Line

(a) The starting/finishing line will be a straight line between the course side of a starting/finishing mark and the mast with the RC flag on the RC boat.

(b) A buoy may be attached to the RC boat anchor line just below keel depth. Boats shall not pass between this buoy and the RC boat at any time. This buoy is part of the RC boat ground tackle

10.3 Course Limits

(a) A number of small white buoys may be laid close to the shore. While racing, no part of a boat shall cross the imaginary straight line between any two adjacent buoys on the same side of the course. Flag G will be displayed at or before the attention signal when this SI is in force for a flight.

(b) These lines rank as obstructions and are the limit of safe pilotage for the purposes of Part 2 of the RRS.

(c) There is no penalty for touching these buoys or objects defining these areas.

(d) A breach of this sailing instruction is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by umpires in accordance with RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C6.2 and C8.2.

10.4 Abandonment and Shortening

RRS 32 is deleted and replaced with:

(a) 'After the starting signal the RC may abandon or shorten any match for any reason, after consulting with the match umpires when practical.'

(b) If a match is shortened, a signal vessel displaying code flag 'S' with the appropriate match numeral pennant(s) and making repetitive sound signals will be in the vicinity of mark W. Boats affected shall round mark W and proceed directly to the finishing line.

11 BREAKDOWN and TIME FOR REPAIRS

11.1 Before the attention signal of a flight or within two minutes of finishing or within five minutes of changing into a new boat, whichever is later, a boat may display a white flag to signal breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails or injury to her crew and request a delay to the next start. She shall proceed as soon as possible to close to leeward of the RC boat and remain there, unless otherwise directed.

11.2 The time allowed for repairs shall be at the discretion of the RC.



11.3 After the attention signal of a flight, a match will not be postponed or abandoned due to breakdown unless the breakdown signal was displayed as required by SI 11.1.

11.4 Except when RRS 62.1(b) applies, failure to effect repairs in the time allowed, or breakdowns after the attention signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62

12 STARTING PROCEDURE

12.1 The next flight number will be displayed on the RC boat.

12.2 Starting signals will be made in accordance with the following table. This changes RRS C3.1.

Time to Start [Minutes]	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Means
7	Flag 'F' displayed	One	Attention Signal
6	Flag 'F' removed	None	
5	Match numeral pennant displayed	One	Warning signal
4	Flag 'P' displayed	One	Preparatory signal
2	Blue  or Yellow  flag or both displayed**	One**	End of pre-start entry time
0	Flag 'P' removed Match numeral pennant removed	One	Starting signal

13 CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE WINDWARD MARK

13.1 A change to the position of the windward mark will be made by displaying Flag C at the leeward mark which means: 'The windward mark has been changed by the replacement mark'. This amends RRS 33.

13.3 Signalling vessel

- When a change of course is made for the first leg, the signal shall be displayed from the RC boat with the preparatory signal for each match affected. The preparatory signal shall be followed by a series of repetitive sound signals.
- When a change of course is signalled after the first leg it shall be displayed from a boat in the vicinity of mark 2.
- When a visual signal is displayed over a numeral pennant, the signal applies only to that match.

14 TIME LIMIT

A boat that does not finish within 5 minutes after her opponent has completed the course and finished will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

16 MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

16.1 If required by the OA:

- The OA may require sponsors, media personnel and equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board at any time and may require competitors to be available for interviews.
- The position of non-racing personnel and equipment will be determined by the RC and may be advised verbally.
- Competitors may be required to wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing.
- The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of charge.

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

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

17 PRIZES

- (a) First prize - 1000 €
Second prize - 650 €
Third prize - 350 €

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

(c) ISAF have been notified of these Prizes.

18 CODE of CONDUCT

- (a) Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall not behave so as to bring the event into disrepute. See SI 17.1(c)
- (b) Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship and in accordance with SI Appendices C and D.
- (c) The penalty for breaking SI 18(a) & (b) is at the discretion of the OA and may include the withdrawal of any prize money or the withholding of deposits.
- (d) Gross breach of this SI may be referred to the IJ by the OA and may include exclusion from further participation in the event, the withdrawal of any prize money or the withholding of deposits.

19 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.

SKIPPER	COUNTRY	ISAF RANKING a)
PAOLO CIAN	ITA	10
PIERRE-ANTOINE MORVAN	FRA	14
ALEX LITZ-BARTEL	FRA	24
PRZEMEK TARNACKI	POL	36
NICOLAI SEHESTED	DEN	41
RUI BÓIA	POR	46
HENRIQUE HADDAD	BRA	48
MARGARIDA CASSIANO b)	POR	421

a) Ranking as of 4 months before the event.

b) Women Match Racing Skipper from Algarve Region

SI APPENDIX B - EVENT FORMAT and SCHEDULE OF RACES

EVENT FORMAT

1 Stage One - Round Robin

- (a) All skippers will sail a round robin - each skipper sails each other skipper once.
- (b) The 2 highest scoring skippers shall qualify for stage three.

2 Stage Two – Repechage

The 3rd will sail vs the 4th and the 5th will sail vs the 6th of the RR to find the 3rd and the 4th skippers for Stage Three. 3rd and 5th will begin yellow. The first boat to win 2 points will proceed.

2 Stage Three - Semi-finals

- (a) The highest ranked skipper from Stage 1 shall choose their opponent, the remaining two shall sail each other.
- (b) The first two skippers to score 2 points shall proceed to stage 5 and the others to stage 4.

3 Stage Four - Third/Fourth Place Final

- (a) The first skipper to score at least 2 points shall be awarded third place, the other fourth place.

4 Stage Five - Finals

- (a) The first skipper to score at least 3 points shall be the winner.

SI APPENDIX C - HANDLING BOATS

1 GENERAL

While all reasonable steps are taken to equalise the boats variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

2 PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by an umpire otherwise, the following are prohibited.

- 2.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 2.2 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 2.3 The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 2.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 2.5 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 2.6 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 2.7 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while 'AP' is displayed ashore.
- 2.8 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 2.9 Using a flattener as a reef.
- 2.10 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
- 2.11 Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales.
- 2.12 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay.
- 2.13 Using a winch to adjust the mainsheet, backstay or vang.
- 2.14 Using a reef line as an outhaul.
- 2.15 Cross winching foresail sheets.
- 2.16 Omitting any headsail car or turning block before sheeting onto a winch.
- 2.17 The use of electronic instruments other than equipment provided, compass and watches.
- 2.18 Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the foresail.
- 2.19 Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink.
- 2.20 Using the windward jib / genoa sheet as a barber hauler.
- 2.21 Using a winch handle for the purpose of hiking
- 2.22 After the starting signal and while sailing close hauled for more than a few seconds, the main boom position shall be controlled only by using the mainsheet as it exits the block on the cockpit floor, and the vang.
- 2.23 The use of the shrouds (excluding any inner shrouds) above the lower bottle screw (turnbuckle) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard is prohibited.
- 2.24 A breach of SI C 2.20, 2.21, 2.22, or 2.23 is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by Umpires in accordance with RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C6.2 and C8.2.

3 PERMITTED ITEMS and ACTIONS

The following are permitted.

- 3.1 Taking on board the following equipment:
 - (a) basic hand tools
 - (b) adhesive tape
 - (c) line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less)
 - (d) marking pens
 - (e) tell tale material
 - (f) watch, timers and hand held compass
 - (g) shackles and clevice pins
 - (h) velcro tape
 - (i) spare flags
- 3.2 Using the items in 3.1 to:
 - (a) prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets
 - (b) attach tell tales
 - (c) prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard
 - (d) mark control settings
 - (e) make minor repairs and permitted adjustments
 - (f) make signals as per Appendix C6
 - (g) for the items in 3.1 (f), timing and taking compass bearings.

- 3.3 Fixing a spinnaker sheet catcher at the bow, providing that it does not extend the length of the boat more than 100 mm and does not require any repair after removal.
- 3.4 Changing the number of mainsheet purchases.

4 MANDATORY ITEMS and ACTIONS

The following are mandatory.

- 4.1 The completion of a written damage report before leaving a boat and submitting it to the RC, even if no damage or loss is recorded. Reports shall include any evidence of matters which could cause damage or disadvantage to the boat in future matches.
- 4.2 At the end of each sailing day:
 - (a) folding, bagging and placement of the sails as directed
 - (b) leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day
 - (c) releasing backstay tension
- 4.3 At the end of the final day for a particular boat, cleaning the boat (cabin and decks), removing all trash and removing all tape and marks.
- 4.4 Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing and worded to permit a yes/no answer.
- 4.5 Complying with any regulations, including speed restrictions and navigation marks, while leaving or returning to the berth or mooring.
- 4.6 A breach of items 4.2 and 4.3 will be considered as damage and the cost of rectification will be deducted from the damage deposit.

