





ILCA YOUTH EASTER MEETING LAKE GARDA MALCESINE April 5th – 8th 2023

Ilca 4 and Ilca 6 - Open

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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Rules that may not be ground of protests between boats, this changes RRS60.1(a)

CO-ORDINATING AUTHORITY

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1. RULES

1.1 Appendix T (arbitration) will apply.

2. (DP) (NP)SAFETY REGULATION

- **2.1** Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.
- 2.2 Boats that do not leave their moorings to race in a scheduled race will have to promptly inform the Race Office
- 2.3 A boat that retires will have to inform the race management team before leaving the racing area or, if this is impossible, she must inform the Race Office as soon as possible after returning ashore. A competitor who retires must inform the Race Committee before leaving the racing area or, if this proves impossible, must inform the Race Office as soon as possible after returning ashore and fill in the appropriate form at the following https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting before the time limit for protests.
- 2.4 Boats not racing must not interfere with official boats.
- **2.5** Under RRS 37 the communication channel for search and rescue instructions is the VHF channel 72.
- **2.6** Boats which, for any reason, have to return to shore far from Fraglia Vela Malcesine and who were unable to reach the places assigned to them, must inform the OA immediately at the following telephone number: + 39 045 6570439 and +39 338 6313688.
- **2.7** Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should wave one arm with hand open. If no assistance is required, the arm should be waved with fist closed.

3. MARKS

Mark 1,2 and 5 will be yellow inflatable buoys Mark 4s, 4p, 3s,3p will be red inflatable buoy

Finishing mark will be a small yellow buoy or a rib with a blue flag

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal pole near the race office.
- **4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, boats shall not go afloat, and the first warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- **4.3** Flag AP over H with two sound signals (one when lowered) means "No boat shall go afloat until this signal is lowered". The first warning signal will be made not less than 1 hour after AP over H flags are lowered. This changes RRS Race signals.

5. CLASS FLAGS

- ILCA 6: Class flag (green flag with Ilca or Laser logo)
- **ILCA 4**: Class flag (yellow flag with Ilca or Laser logo)

6. THE START

- **6.1** Starting line
 - **6.1.1** The starting line will be between two staffs displaying a large orange flag on two race committee boats.
 - **6.1.2 (DP)** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A.4 and A.5.

6.2 **Starting timing**

6.2.1 Races will be started as follows, according to RRS 26 as changed below:

Time before	start Signal	Sound	signal
5 minutes	Warning up 1		sound
4 minutes	Preparatory up		
	(U or Black) 1		sound
1 minute	preparatory down 1		sound
0 minutes	warning down 1		sound

6.2.2 Starting under Black Flag Rule Penalty

Rule 30.4 is changed adding the follows:

Sail numbers will be displayed for at least 3 minutes. A long sound signal will be made when the numbers are initially displayed. A boat whose number is so displayed shall leave the racing area, defined in sailing instruction 9.2, before the new preparatory signal. If she fails to do so, and is identified by the race committee or the jury she shall be scored DNE without hearing.

7. THE FINISH

- **7.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the port-end finishing mark or a rib with a blue flag. This instruction does not apply when rule 32.2 does.
- **7.2** If the race committee signals a shortened course at mark 3 or 4, the finishing line shall be, at a gate, between the gate marks (RRS 32.2.c).

8. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **8.1** When it is not possible to change the position of the original marks, the course may be reset using one or more new marks. When new marks are already in use, the course may be reset using original marks.
- **8.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.

9. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- **9.1** The length of the course will be set for a target time of 50 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.1(b).
- **9.2** All boats finishing 20 minutes after the first boat's finish will be scored DNF without hearing.

10. BOATS, EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHEKS

- **10.1** All competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centreboard and rudder.
- 10.2 In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the regatta Technical Committee or race committee in case the Technical Committee is not present at the event. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the regatta Technical Committee, or race committee and the written permission of the regatta Technical Committee, or race committee shall be applied for before the end of Protest Time at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.
- **10.3** Women competitors shall place a red diamond on each side of their sail (back-to-back) in compliance with class rule 4(g).
- **10.4** A boat and equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, as wet clothing rules at the discretion of the class Technical Committee or race committee in case the Technical Committee is not present at the event.

11. OFFICIAL BOATS

Race Committee	With flag "RC"	
Jury	With flag "J "	
Technical Committee	With flag "M"	
Media / Press	With flag "Press"	

12. (DP) (NP) TEAM AND SUPPORT BOATS

- **12.1** Team and support boats shall, at all times when afloat, be clearly identified by the white flag with red S, provided by the OA.
- 12.2 Team and support boats shall not be in the racing area during the period between the first warning signal of the first fleet in a race and the finish of the last boat in the last fleet in that race except when a postponement is signalled, in which case they may be in the racing area until the first signal after the end of the postponement. The racing area is defined in SAILING INSTRUCTIONS APPENDIX
- **12.3** If a team or support boat does not comply with instruction 12.1 and/or 12.2 a penalty may be applied to some or all supported boats.
- **12.4** Instruction 12.3 will not apply to rescue operations.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- **13.1 Appendix P** will apply with the following changes:
 - **13.1.1** If a first penalty is signalled after she has finished, a boat will be given a scoring penalty of 8 points without a hearing.
 - 13.1.2 RRS P3 is changed to read: "If a boat has been penalized for the first time under RRS P1 and the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, the penalty is cancelled, but it is counted to determine the number of times she has been penalized during the regatta. If a boat has been penalized for the second or subsequent time under RRS P1 and the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or the race is abandoned, the boat shall not sail in this race if it is restarted or re-sailed. If she does, she shall be disqualified without a hearing and scored DNE".

13.2 Measurement Penalties

- **13.2.1** Measurement protests will only be accepted from either the race committee or jury. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 13.2.2 If a boat is sailed without a centreboard stopper, or with no mast retention line attached (class rule 3(b) xi), a scoring penalty of 20 points will, without a hearing, be added to the boats score in the last completed race in which she was racing without a centreboard stopper or the retention line. However, she shall not be scored worse than DSQ. This changes rule 63.1.
- 13.2.3 If a sail, top mast, or bottom mast has been changed prior to a race without the permission required by SI 5.2 the sailor will be disqualified without a hearing from the last completed race when the change was used. This changes rule 63.1.
- **13.2.4** For any other measurement protest, the jury may apply an alternative penalty to disqualification.

13.3 Whistle system

In order to encourage boats to take penalties afloat, jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of a rule. If no boat takes a penalty, the jury may lodge a protest.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- **14.1** The Jury office is located at the race secretary office ROOM 4.
- **14.2** Protest forms are available on

https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/questions/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting . Protest forms will be delivered

https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/questions/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting within the protest time limit The end of protest time will be posted on

https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting and may be different for each fleet. Protest hearings will be held in the protest room.

- **14.3** Notices will be posted on
 - https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- **14.4** Notices of protests by the jury or race committee will be posted on https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- **14.5** A list of boats that have been penalized under Appendix P will be posted on https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5584/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting.
- **14.6** Rule 66 changes as follows:
 - On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (this
 - **14.6.1** within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - **14.6.2** no later than 15 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. :
 - **14.6.3** no later than 15 minutes after a signal to abandon racing is displayed ashore.
- 14.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2(a).
- **14.8** Measurement protests shall only be accepted from the race committee or the jury. This changes rule 60.1(a).

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

16. FORMAT OF RACING

- **16.1** The ILCA 4 and ILCA 6 fleets will have separate starts. For the fleets, the regatta may consist of a single series or may be split.
- **16.2** Whether a fleet is split or not shall be specified in the Sailing Instructions Appendix.

17. RACING AREAS

17.1 Before the starting signal, the racing area is the area within 100 metres of the starting line. After the starting signal, the racing area is the area within an imaginary line drawn 100 metres outside any point where a boat might sail during normal racing and includes the area bounded by marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 at all times when any boat of any fleet is still racing.

18. THE COURSES

- **18.1** The Appendix to these SI shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- **18.2** Courses may be different between the ILCA rig classes as described in SI Appendix
- **18.3** Before the warning signal for each fleet, the race committee will display course signals on a board on the race committee boat as follows:

Outer Loop: numeral pennant 1 (recommended) or panel with a "O"

Inner Loop: numeral pennant 2 (recommended) or a panel with a "I"

- **18.4** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- **18.5** The course may be shortened to finish at any mark provided that 3 or more legs will have been sailed.
- **18.6** When one gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port until the mark is replaced with a boat displaying IC Flag "M", or a new mark.
- **18.7** The gates at marks 3 and 4 and the mark 5 may be laid after the start.

19. RACE FORMAT

- **19.1** For all classes, 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- **19.2** When less than 4 races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores.
- **19.3** When 4 to 7 races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 8 have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

20. ADVERTISING

- **20.1** Regulation WS 20 will be applied.
- **20.2** Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority if applicable. Details shall be specified as follows: Negrinautica stickers should be applied on both tacks on the bow (see Appendix 5).

21. TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS APPENDIX

1. COMPETITION FORMAT

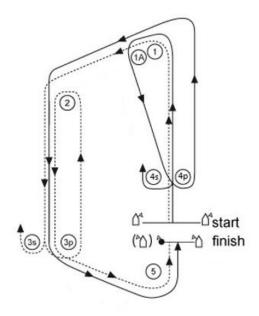
- **1.1** Where an ILCA fleet is bigger than 92 boats, (or close to 90 at discretion of the Race Committee) can be split into groups.
- **1.2** The organising authority will divide the boats in the split fleet(s) into groups of, as nearly as possible, equal size.
 - **1.2.1** Each appropriate Fleet will be split into 2 groups called Yellow and Blue or in 3 groups called Yellow Blue and Red; or in 4 groups with the green group.
 - **1.2.2** Boats will be possibly reassigned to groups each day after racing based on the overall available results.
 - **1.2.3** The polling will be made with a scoring system, with the alternate option.
- **1.3** The notice of groups will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible before the first race of the day. The starting signal will be made no earlier than 60 minutes after the time of the posted notice.
- **1.4** If all groups of a split fleet have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the groups with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all groups have completed the same number of races.
- **1.5** If at the end of the regatta some groups of a split fleet have more race scores than others, scores for the most recent race(s) will be excluded so that all groups of that fleet have the same number of race scores. That S.I. will be applied also at the last day to define the groups for finals, see next S.I.
- **1.6** When at least 4 races were sailed for all groups, the last day the fleet will be divided in Gold and Silver fleets (and bronze and emerald if in case) and raced in "finals" format. Different final-series groups need not have completed the same number of races.

2 GROUPS IDENTIFICATION

- **2.1** If a fleet is split into groups, the class flag for each group will be the class flag with a coloured flag corresponding to the group colour.
- **2.2** If a fleet is split into groups, each competitor in that fleet will be issued with a coloured band corresponding to the allocated group. The band shall be placed on the top of the mast.

In case of finals both flags and coloured bands will be as per gold = yellow; silver = blue.

3 COURSE DIAGRAM



Course Outer Loop: ILCA 6

Start -1 - 2 - 3P/3S - 2 - 3P - 5 - Finish

Course Inner Loop: ILCA 4

Start -1 - 4P/4S - 1 - 2 - 3P - 5 - Finish

3.1 ILCA 4 fleet always sails the inner loop provided that a different course is not signaled.

THE TIME TARGET IS 50 MINUTES.

4 STARTING SEQUENCE

4.1 The starting sequence is always decided by the Race Committee displaying the warning signal flags.

5 STICKERS AND COLOUR BANDS





Stickers: On both side Coloured band: on the top the mast

