



FIRST WOODEN DRAGON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 24 TO 27 AUGUST 2023 - SANREMO

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Yacht Club Sanremo, in conjunction with the International Dragon Association, Italian Dragon Association and Federazione Italiana Vela (Italian Sailing Federation).

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing 2021/2024 (RRS) and the rules of the International Dragon Class. For the Italians competitors the "Normativa" of the Italian Sailing Federation will apply
- 2.2 Racing rules will be changed as follows:
- Rules 35, A4 and A5 will be changed to state, that boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF).
 - Rule A4 will be changed by stating, that a boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
 - Rule 60.1 is changed so that breaches of SIs 11, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, and 28 cannot be ground for a protest by a competitor. The penalty for a breach of these SI's may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 2.3 The crew weight restriction in class rule 13.30 applies.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Official Notice Board (ONB), communication to competitors and from competitors to the OA, CR and Jury, shall be done only by an Online Official Notice Board, available at the following link <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/5311/event> or QR code:



All communications will be executed by e-mails and by SMS, so to guarantee such communications, the entry form has to be completely filled included the phone number and the mail address of each crew member. This data will be automatically deleted from the system at the end of the event. All communications between the competitors and OA, RC or Jury (i.e. protests and demands of redress, acknowledgement of penalty, demands to change equipment or crew, etc) shall be done by such web site: its use don't change the obligations of RRS. Will be responsibility of each competitor to adapt himself to the use of such system.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 2 hours before the 1st scheduled warning signal for the first race of the day on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole which is situated in front of the race Office of Yacht Club Sanremo.

5.2 If postponement is displayed ashore, the first warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after such flag is removed, but not before the scheduled time', whichever is later. This change race signals RRS.

6 SCHEDULE

Wednesday	August 23	09.00 -18.00	Launching and registration
Thursday	August 24	09.00 -11:30 11:30 14.00	Launching and Registration Skipper Briefing First warning Signal
Friday	August 25	TBA	Races
Saturday	August 26	TBA	Races
Sunday	August 27	TBA	Races Prize Giving

6.1 Number of races:

2 races are schedule each day and in total 8 races are scheduled.

6.2 The Race Committee may sail up to 3 races during a racing day in case racing is in delay of schedule or forecast for the next day looks not sailable. In this case the RC will display the flag "G" at the arrival of the second daily race.

6.3 On Sunday 27th August no warning signal will be made after 16:00 hrs.

6.4 The Race Committee reserves the right to change times in Schedule.

7 CLASS FLAG

7.1 Class flag will be a white flag with a Dragon insignia.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The courses will be windward-leeward. The diagram in Attachment B shows the courses no. 1 and no. 2, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the approximate compass bearing of the first mark.

9.3 When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9.4 The race will not be shortened before the end of the leg to Mark 1p for the second time. This changes Rule 32.

9.5 In case at the gate only one mark is positioned, this one has to be left on the left. This change RRS 34.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1p, 1Ap, 4s and 4p will be orange buoys.

10.2 New marks in case of change of course (see SI 13) will be purple buoys.

10.3 The starting marks will be as per SI 12.1 and the finishing marks will be as per SI 14.1.

11 REPORTING TO STARTING VESSEL BEFORE STARTING

11.5 Each day while arriving to the starting area, boats shall, while sailing on starboard tack, pass the stern of the race committee starting vessel.

12 THE START

12.1 The starting line will be between a staff on the race committee boat displaying an orange flag and a RIB displaying an orange flag or yellow buoy at the port end of the starting line. The orange flag on the race committee boat will be displayed at the last 10 minutes before the starting signal.

12.2 Races will be started by using rule 26.

12.3 The race committee boats on, or in the vicinity of the starting line may maintain their position by using their engine(s) and failure of these boats to give way shall not be grounds for redress under rule 62.1(a).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 The change of the next leg of the course as for RRS 33.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard.
- 13.3 In case of change of course the mark 1Ap will no longer be positioned.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying a blue flag and a yellow buoy at the port end of the finishing line.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 Time limits and target times are as stated in attachment B.
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Did not Finish (DNF). This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 16.3 If no yacht has passed mark 1p for the first time within 60 minutes of the start, the race will be abandoned.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 The protest form will be available on line as per SI 3. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be presented there within the protest time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today. This time will be posted on the official notice board online.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted possibly within 30 minutes of 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 near the Race Office of the Yacht Club Sanremo, beginning as soon as possible.
- 17.4 Notice of protest by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform yachts under rule 61.1(b).
- 17.5 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing or for redress 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 party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 62.2 and 66.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 The scoring system will be the Low Point System.
- 18.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute the series.
- 18.3 A) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
B) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Personal Buoyancy are mandatory on board as per class rules.
- 19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior on line approval of the Race Committee.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved on line by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 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 the race committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 SUPPORT BOATS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

- 22.1 Support boats shall be registered at the Race Office during the registration period and deliver a list of sail numbers for the supported boats. Each registered support boat will be assigned an identification number to be displayed at all times when in the racing area. The identification numbers of support boats and associated sail numbers will be posted on the official notice board.
- 22.2 Except when rendering assistance to a boat retired from a race, support personnel and support boats shall stay at least 150 meters to leeward of the starting line before the start, and thereafter remain more than 100 meters from any racing boat.
- 22.3 At all times, support boats and support personnel shall comply with the directions given by the Race Committee, in particular concerning rescue assistance. Support boats are requested to be on call on VHF channel 72 at all times.
- 22.4 Coach/support boats shall not tow competitors out to the race course (unless requested to by the Race Committee) and may only tow boats in after the last competitor has finished.

23 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 23.1 All yachts shall be afloat before 12:00h on 24th August and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with prior written permission of the Race Committee and according to the terms set out by the Race Committee.

24 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 24.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats 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 nor receive radio transmissions whilst racing except those available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and smart phones.
- 25.2 The Race Committee intends to broadcast race management information regarding the courses, the start, recalls etc. to the fleet by **VHF Channel 72**.
- 25.3 Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to hear them shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

26 OFFICIAL BOATS

OFFICIAL BOAT	FLAG
RACE COMMITTEE BOAT	YACHT CLUB SANREMO BURGEE
JURY BOAT	YELLOW FLAG WITH J
MEASUREMENT BOAT	BLUE FLAG WITH M
PRESS BOAT	ORANGE FLAG WITH P

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 27.1 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.

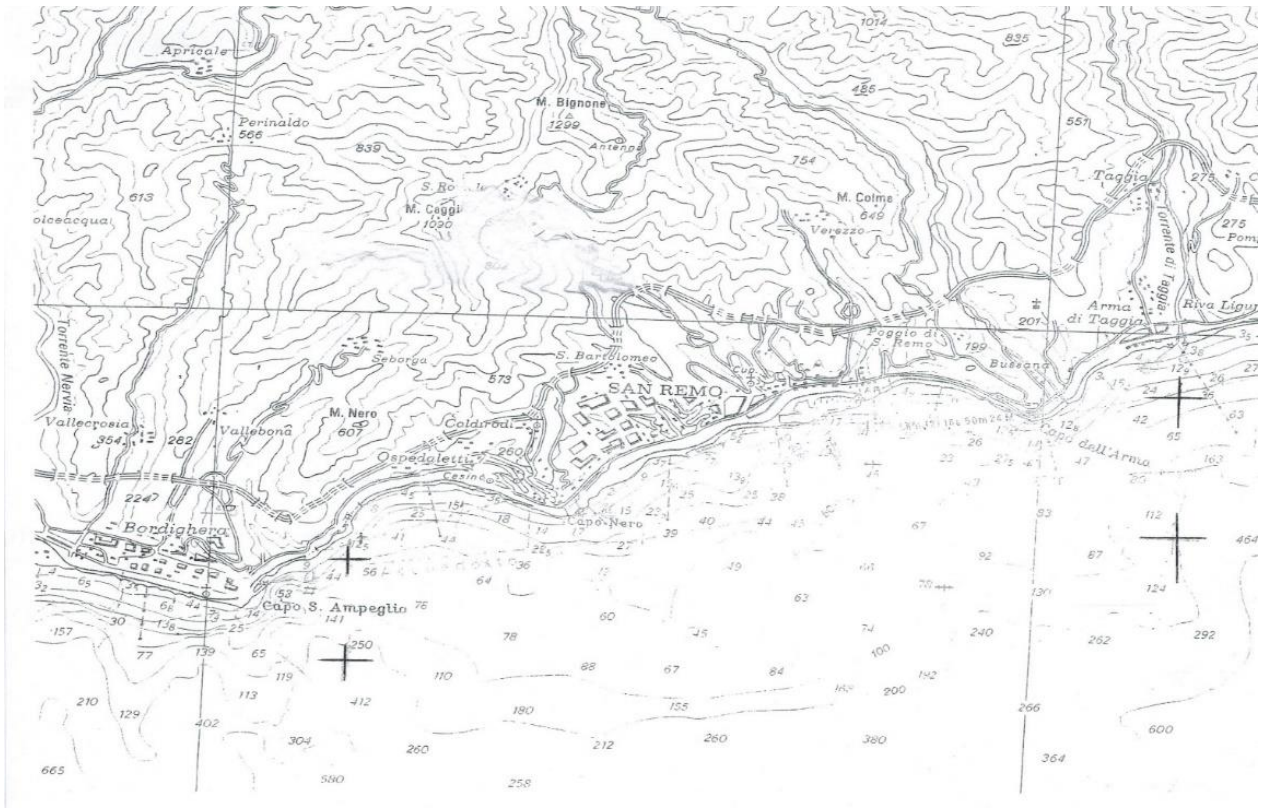
28 INSURANCE

- 28.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 € per event or the equivalent. Competitors are advised to have their own personal accident insurance.

29 ADVERTISING



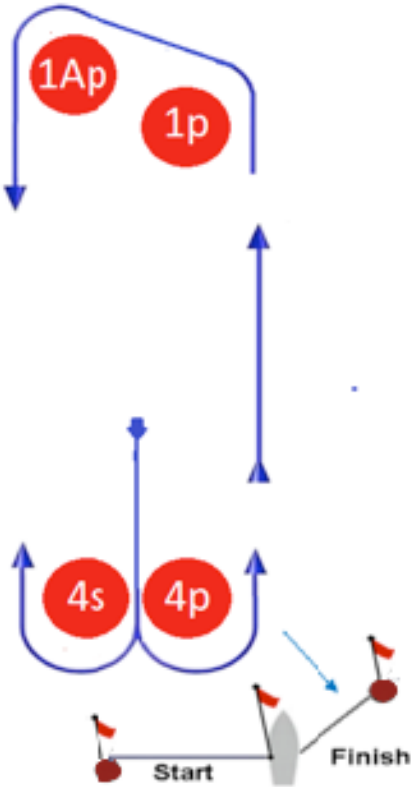
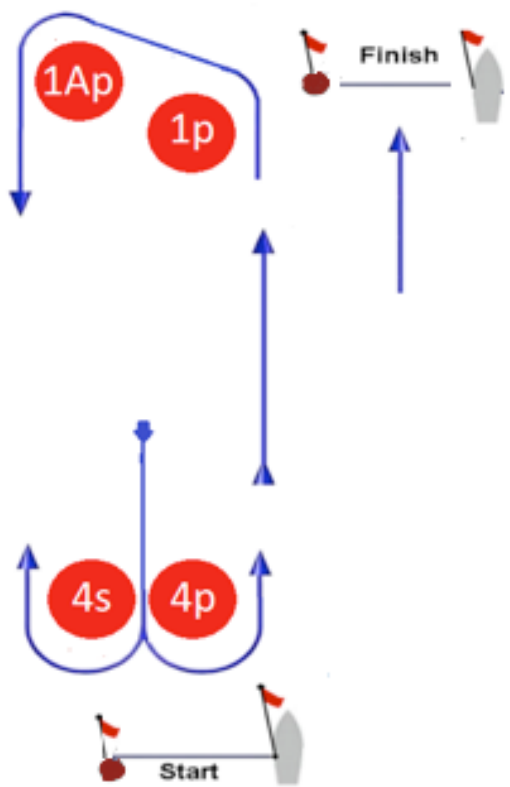
- 29.1 In accordance with Regulation 20.4.1 boats shall display sponsor advertising stickers or back stay flag supplied by the Organizing Authority.

ATTACHMENT A



ATTACHMENT B

ILLUSTRATING THE COURSES

COURSE 1	COURSE 2
SIGNAL  NUMERAL PENNANT 1 Start-1p-1Ap-4s/4p-1p-1Ap-Finish	SIGNAL  NUMERAL PENNANT 2 Start-1p-1Ap-4s/4p-1p-1Ap-4s/4p- Finish
	

Time limits and target times are the follow:

Time limit
150 min

Mark 1p time limit
60 min

Target time
90 min