



Dragon Italian Grand Prix no 1

May 1 – 4 2024

Fraglia Vela Riva

Sailing Instructions (SIs)

The Organizing Authority (OA) of the Grand Prix

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is the Fraglia Vela Riva –under the authority of the “Federazione Italiana Vela”, in cooperation with the International Dragon Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*
- 1.2 The Rules and Regulations of the International Dragon Association will apply.
- 1.3 The measurement regulations will be delivered upon registration.
- 1.4 The prescriptions of the National Authority (“FIV Prescriptions”) will apply.
- 1.5 Appendix T – Arbitration will apply
- 1.6 The official language is English.
- 1.7 In the event of conflict between the NOR and the SIs, the SIs will prevail (This changes RRS 63.7).

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) no later than 2 hours before the warning signal of the race where it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 20:00hrs on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the ONB located at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/8622/event?name=dragon-italian-grand-prix-no-1>
- 3.2 Information regarding races will be given by the Race Committee via VHF channel 72
Communications between the Race Committee members will not be available to competitors.
- 3.3 [DP] [NP] Except in an emergency, a racing boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice communication or data that is not available to all boats.
- 3.4 The Race Office is located at the Fraglia Vela Riva, Viale G. Maroni 2, 38066 Riva del Garda.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore are displayed on the flagpole located in front of the Fraglia Vela Riva pole.
- 4.2 Flag AP displayed with 2 sound signals means: “Races not started are postponed”.
The warning signal will not be made less than 45 minutes after flag AP is removed (This changes Race Signals).
- 4.3 [DP] Flags D displayed with 2 sound signals means: “Races not started are postponed. Boats shall not leave the harbour”.
The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after removal of flags AP or D. (This changes Race Signals).



5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Confirmation of registration, craning, and crew weighing:

- Monday, April 29th 09.00-12.00 and 14.00-18.00: Craning
- Tuesday, April 30th: 09.00-12.00 and 14.00-18.00 Registration and craning
- Saturday, May 4th: craning after racing.
- Sunday, May 5th: 09.00: Craning.

5.2 Dates and number of races:

DATE	RACES	1st WARNING SIGNAL
<i>May, Wednesday 1st</i>	Skipper Briefing	10.00
<i>May, Wednesday 1st</i>	Two races	12.00
<i>May, Thursday 2nd</i>	Two races	TBA
<i>May, Friday 3rd</i>	Two races	TBA
<i>May, Saturday 4th</i>	Two races	TBA

5.3 The RC may start more or less races than scheduled above according to weather conditions

5.4 On Saturday 4th, no warning signal will be made after 15.00.

6. CLASS FLAG

White flag with blue Dragon Class logo.

7. RACING AREA

SIs Attachment 1 "Racing Area" shows the location and the racing area in North Garda Lake

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The courses will be windward-leeward. The diagrams in Attachment 2 "The courses" show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed or rounded, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee shall indicate the approximate bearing and length of the first leg of the course.

The course to be sailed will be indicated by a white flag displaying a black digit.

8.3 The course will not be shortened before mark 1 at the end of the second beat. This changes RRS 32

9. MARKS

9.1 Marks are as follows:

Mark	Mark description
Starting line (starboard side)	Race Committee vessel displaying an orange flag
Starting line (port side)	Committee vessel displaying an orange flag
Marks 1, 2,	ORANGE conical buoys
Marks 3s/3p	RED buoys
Finishing line (port side)	Race Committee vessel displaying a blue flag

Finishing line (starboard side)

Race Committee vessel displaying a blue flag

9.2 A race committee vessel signaling a change of a leg of the course ranks as a mark.

10. REPORTING TO PRINCIPAL COMMITTEE VESSEL BEFORE STARTING

Before the start of the first race on each day, boats shall, while sailing on starboard tack, pass at the stern of the principal race committee vessel. Boats failing to report may be scored "DNS". [SP][NP]

Boats arriving late on the racing area between races shall report to the RC boat.

11. THE START

11.1 The starting line is between staffs displaying an orange flag on the starting marks / vessels

11.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flags will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

11.3 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

The course may be changed as stated in rule 33, moving the original mark to the new position.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing Race Committee vessel.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 RRS Appendix P applies, changed as follows:

14.2.1 RRS P2.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

14.2.2 RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first one.

14.2 [DP] Penalties for an infringement of RRS other than Part 2 rules, RRS 28 and 31, may be, after a hearing, at the discretion of the International Jury, in the range from 10% of registered boats to disqualification.

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 The times are as follows:

Target time	Time limit for the first boat to round mark 1	Time limit for the first boat to finish
90 minutes	30 minutes	120 minutes

15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the "Mark 1 time limit" the race will be abandoned.

15.3 Boats not finishing within 20 minutes after the first boat to complete the course and finish will be scored as DNF (This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5).

16. REQUESTS FOR A HEARING

16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat of that class has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

The time will be posted on the ONB.

The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the committee signals no more racing today ashore.

16.2 Request of hearing forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. (NP)

- 16.3 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 jury room, located in the Fraglia Vela Riva, beginning, if possible, at the time posted. A delay in the hearing schedule shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
A hearing can be held with 2 judges participating remotely by video or audio link.
Hearings may start earlier than the scheduled time if parties agree.
- 16.4 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted on the ONB.
- 16.5 For the purpose of RRS 64.4(b) the "authority responsible" is the equipment inspector appointed by the organizing authority.
- 16.6 No official measurement shall take place after Race 1, except as the result of a protest or due to the replacement, alteration, or repair of any item.
- 16.7 No competitor may protest a question of measurement later than the normal protest time applying to Race 1.
- 16.8 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 8 races are scheduled. For the regatta
- 17.2 3 races are required to be completed to validate the regatta.
- 17.3 (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When five races or more have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores.
- 17.4 There will be two rankings: an Overall ranking, and a Corinthian one.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 18.1 RRS 40.1 applies at any time when boats are afloat.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from racing or intends not to start shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. This boat shall also personally inform the race office no later than the protest time limit.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP][NP]

- 19.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the jury.
- 19.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the technical committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules. This may include on the water checks before or after racing.

21. OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels, flying a SNGRPC flag, will be identified as follows

Starting vessel	White flag with letters "RC" in black
Race Committee vessels	White flag with letter " RC" in black
Jury	Yellow flag marked "J" in blue
Technical Committee	White flag with letter " M "in black
Media / Press and TV operation	Green or yellow flag with " P "or "MEDIA" in black

22. SUPPORT PERSONS [DP][NP]

- 22.1 Support vessels shall stay 100 meters outside the area where boats are racing and 150 meters of any racing boat from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 22.2 Support vessels shall be identified with the three letters of their MNA code, and a yellow pennant provided on registration.
- 22.3 Support vessels shall participate to the safety system if the Race Committee vessel display Code Flag "S".
- 22.4 Support vessels shall register in the Club's race office no later than the competitors' registration time limit.
- 22.5 For safety reasons:
- All support vessels shall permanently watch VHF channel 72 when afloat.
 - Any unidentified support vessel shall be taken out of the racing area.
- 22.6 Support vessels shall comply with local harbour and marina regulations, including speed limits.
- 22.7 If a support vessel does not comply with instructions of SI 18 or any of SI 21 a discretionary penalty may be applied by the jury to some or all associated competitors and may include restrictions on the movement of the support vessel. This changes RRS 63.9 and 64.5.

23 HAUL-IN – MOORING – HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP][NP]

- 23.1 All boats shall be afloat at the latest on Wednesday May 1st, 11.00.
- 23.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to, the terms of prior written permission of the technical committee.

24 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP][NP]

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used below the waterline between Wednesday May 1st, 11.00 and the end of the regatta except with prior written permission of the race committee.

25 BERTHING [DP][NP]

[DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the harbor.

26 PRIZES

- As per NOR.

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 27.1 According to RRS, Appendix L.29, competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.
- 27.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.



- e) The provision of a race management team, support vessels and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f) The provision of support vessel cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event, to learn about any rules and information produced and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

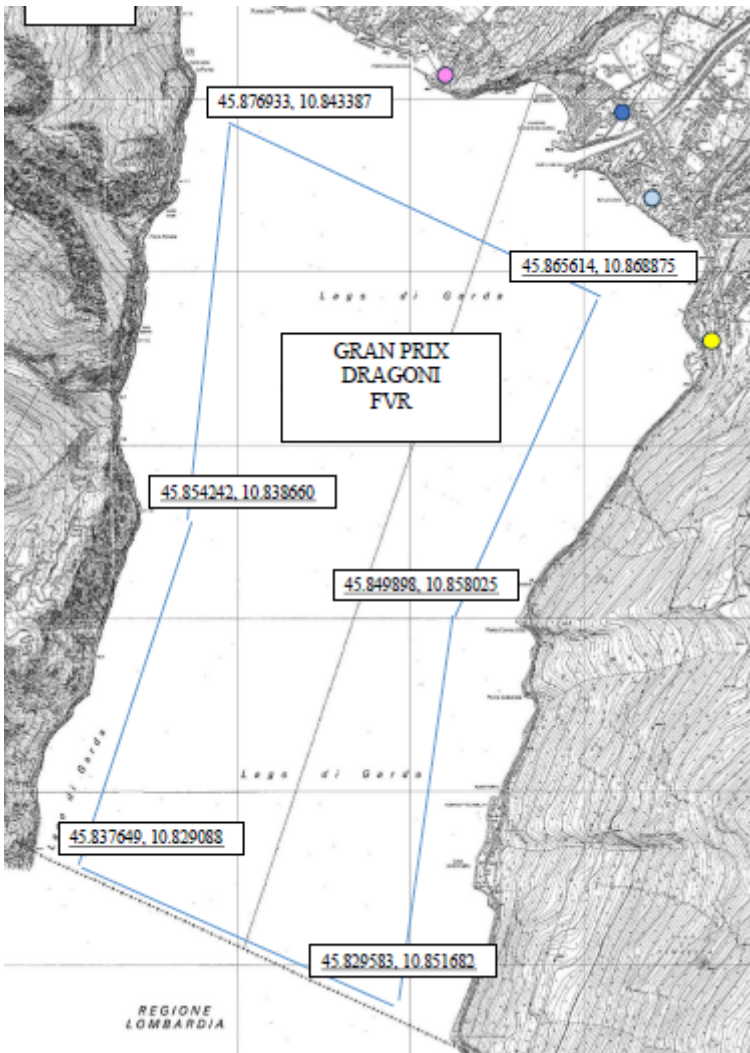
28 INSURANCE

Each competitor shall produce a document certifying she/he and their boat is insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EURO 1.500.000 per incident or the equivalent.



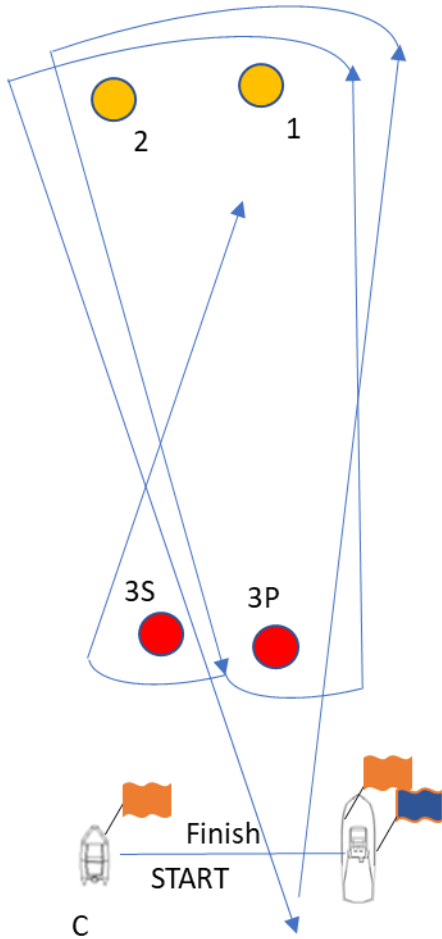
ATTACHMENT 1

Racing area



ATTACHMENT 2

The course



Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - Finish