



49er, 49erFX & Nacra17

ALEXANDER THE GREAT CUP 2021

Kalamaria, Thessaloniki, Greece 07 to 10 Sep 2021

The Organizing Authority is the Nautical Club of Thessaloniki

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the Protest Committee with a hearing

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.

The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race.

The Class Race Management Guidelines will also apply, but a failure to follow these Guidelines is not on its own grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

No National Prescriptions will apply.

There will be special Covid-19 rules.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board and on the website:

<https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/2632/event>

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than two hours before the scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the timing of races, will be posted by 2000 the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE.

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located on the lawn in front of the clubhouse. When a signal is displayed over a fleet flag, it applies to that fleet only.
- 4.2. [DP][NP] Flag D displayed ashore with one sound signal this means: "the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed for course areas A, B, Medal and 45 minutes for course areas C, D or not before the scheduled time. Boats shall not leave their allocated berth until this signal is made".

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1. Tuesday 07 September 10:00 - 18:00 Registration  
Wednesday 08 September 13:00 Races  
Thursday 09 September TBA Races  
Friday 10 September TBA Races  
Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony 20:00  
On Friday 10 September there will be no warning signal after 17:00.

#### 6. FORMAT OF RACING - QUALIFYING SERIES, FINAL SERIES AND MEDAL RACES

- 6.1. The regatta will consist of a Single Series of 9 races, 3 races are scheduled for each day.

#### 7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1. For 49er the class flag will be the class insignia on a yellow background.  
For 49erFX the class flag will be the class insignia on a blue background.  
Nacra 17 the class flag will be the class insignia on a red background.

#### 8. RACING AREAS AND FLEET ASSIGNMENTS

- 8.1. Attachment B shows the location of the race areas.
- 8.2. The provisional race schedule including the time of the first warning signals and the assignment of fleets to courses will be as per Attachment C.
- 8.3. [DP][NP] Boats not racing shall not sail in a course area being used by another fleet.

#### 9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. Attachment A shows the course to be sailed, the order in which the marks are to be passed, the side on which each mark is to be left, and the signals indicating the number of rounds to be sailed.
- 9.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing from the race committee signal vessel to Mark 1.
- 9.3. There will be a gate at the leeward marks and Nacra 17 will have a spreader mark at the windward mark.
- 9.4. A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port.

#### 10. MARKS

- Course A and C  
All marks      Yellow pyramid  
Change mark    Orange pyramid

Course B, and Medal Race area  
All marks            Orange pyramid  
Change mark        Yellow pyramid

Spreader mark..... Yellow training pillar mark

Starting marks.    Race Committee vessels

Finishing marks    Race Committee vessels

## 11. THE START

- 11.1. The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 11.2. [DP][NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.3. A boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 11.4. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with ONE sound signal not less than TWO minutes before the warning signal is displayed.

## 12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a change mark, which will be as detailed in SI 10. When a new mark is laid, the original mark will be removed as soon as possible.
- 12.2. For Nacra 17 only - if the windward mark is changed a new spreader mark will not be laid.

## 13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the main race committee vessel and either another race committee vessel displaying a blue flag or a Yellow training pillar mark
- 13.2. For Nacra 17 only - [DP][SP] When the blue finishing flag is displayed on the main committee vessel NO boats shall enter the Finishing Exclusion Zone other than boats that are finishing who shall leave the zone immediately. See Attachment D

## 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. The time limits and target times are as follows:
  - Time limit.....45 minutes
  - Finish window.....15 minutes
  - For Nacra 17 only in winds averaging less than 10 knots the Finishing window is increased to 20 minutes
  - Target time.....30 minutes.
- 14.2. Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window (the time after the first boat sails the course and finishes) will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## 15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1. Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42* will apply, as changed by SI 15.2.
- 15.2. RRS 44.1 and RSS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.
- 15.3. Penalties for breaches of NOR 16 (Insurance), NOR 18 (Media Rights), RRS 41, the Equipment Inspection Regulations, the Class Rules and rules in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions marked [DP], are at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- 15.4. Breaches of rules in the SIs marked [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.5. For breaches of the SIs marked [SP], the race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing. A list of these breaches and the associated standard penalties will be posted on the Official Notice Board. However, the race committee may protest a boat when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A boat that has been penalised with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another boat nor can another boat request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 63.1 and Appendix A5.

## 16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1. Protest forms are available at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/schedules/2632/event>. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2. The protest time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The protest time limit will be 60 minutes after the last boat of each fleet has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area. This time limit also applies to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 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 designated jury rooms. Hearings may start before the scheduled time with the agreement of all parties.
- 16.4. The Race Committee, Technical Committee or Jury intending to protest a boat under RRS 60.2, 60.3 or 62.4 will comply with RRS 61.1(b) by informing her by posting a notice before the end of the protest time limit.
- 16.5. A list of boats that have been penalised under RRS Appendix P on the water or have been disqualified by the jury will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 16.6. For the purposes of RRS 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the Technical Committee appointed by the Organising Authority.
- 16.7. On the last day of racing of each series, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
  - i) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - ii) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

- 16.8. On the last day of racing of each series, a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## 17. JURY

- 17.1. Not all members of the Jury will be available on site. Hearings will be held in a jury room with the full Jury online if required.

## 18. SCORING

- 18.1. The low point scoring system of Appendix A, as changed below, will apply.
- 18.2. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a Championship.
- 18.3. When less than FOUR races have been completed, a boat's overall score shall be the sum of her race scores.
- 18.4. When FOUR or more races have been completed, a boat's overall score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### Resolving Ties

- 18.5. Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

### Scoring enquiries

- 18.6. To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at [https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/scoring\\_inquiries/2632/event](https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/scoring_inquiries/2632/event).

A scoring enquiry may be regarded as a request for redress.

## 19. SAFETY [DP]

- 19.1. Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 19.2. Boats not leaving the shore for the day's races shall notify the race office as soon as possible.
- 19.3. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19.4. When Flag V is displayed by the race committee signal vessel, coach and other support boats will collaborate with the race committee in rescue tasks. VHF channel of the course area will be written on a board at the RC signal boat.

## 20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1. Replacement of helm or crew shall require written approval of the PRO.
- 20.2. Replacement of equipment shall require written approval of the Technical Committee.

## 21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1. Any boat or equipment may be checked for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions at any time. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the Technical Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for measurement checks.
- 21.2. Limitations of equipment

i) Only one set of sails shall be used during the regatta. The sails shall be noted on the form at registration.

ii) For 49er and 49erFX only - Only one forestay shall be used during the regatta. The forestay will be tagged on Sunday evening in the boat park.

21.3. All boats, when not afloat, shall be placed in the official dinghy park.

21.4. All boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 from 1300 on the day before their first scheduled race (hereinafter referred to as “Day Zero”) onwards. Non-compliance from 1300 on Day Zero until the start of the first race shall be reported, protested and penalized as if it were discovered after racing on the first day on which races for that boat have been completed. This amends RRS 78.1

## 22. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified as follows:

Race committee boats..... Orange flags with letter “A”

Yellow flags with letter “B”

Pink flags with letter “C”

Jury boats..... White flags with JURY

Technical Committee boats..... Yellow flags with MEASURER

Media boats..... Green flags with MEDIA

## 23. SUPPORT VESSELS [DP][NP]

23.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not be in the area where boats are racing or within 100 metres of any boat racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This SI does not apply during rescue operations.

23.2. At all times while on water, support vessels shall display either their national flag on a staff with the top of the hoist minimum 1.5 m above water level or their national code letters (minimum height 200mm) on the outside of the hull or on the side of the outboard motor cover.

23.3. Support vessels shall comply with the Class Support Vessel Regulations.

23.4. Support vessels that are motoring at more than 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat that is racing.

23.5. All support vessels are at all times submitted to the Organising Committee and Race Committee authority and must comply with any instructions given by these authorities.

23.6. The Protest Committee may direct the Organising Authority to revoke privileges from any boat or person found to be in breach of SI 23.

23.7. Support vessels shall always be on the outside of the media boats (away from the fleet side) so that the media boats can capture images without coach boats in the image. This does not apply during any safety incident.

## 24. CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

24.1. Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official or a

member of the Organising Authority.

## **25. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP][NP]**

- 25.1. As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our waters. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

## **26. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP][NP]**

- 26.1. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **27. PRIZES**

- 27.1. Prizes for the Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of racing. The winners will receive medals for each class. 1st, 2nd, 3<sup>rd</sup>
- 27.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority

## **28. RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is her's alone."

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 omission;
- 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, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat 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 familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for this event and to attend any competitors' meetings held for this event.

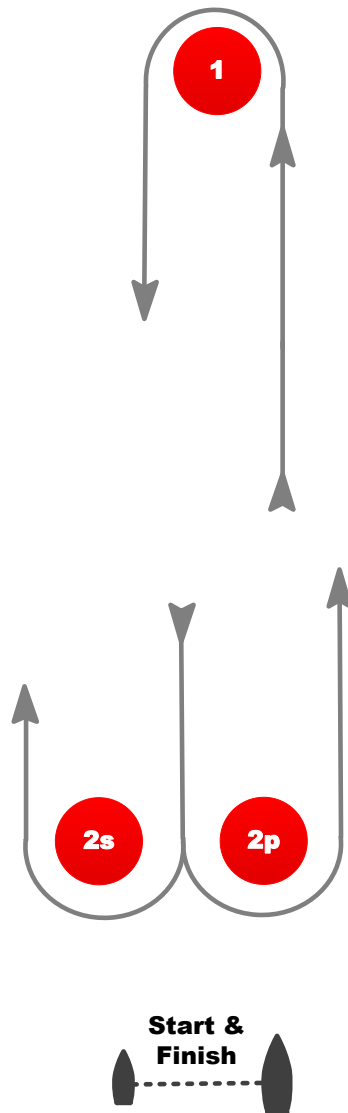
## **29. INSURANCE [DP][NP]**

- 29.1. Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least Euros 1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

## ATTACHMENT A

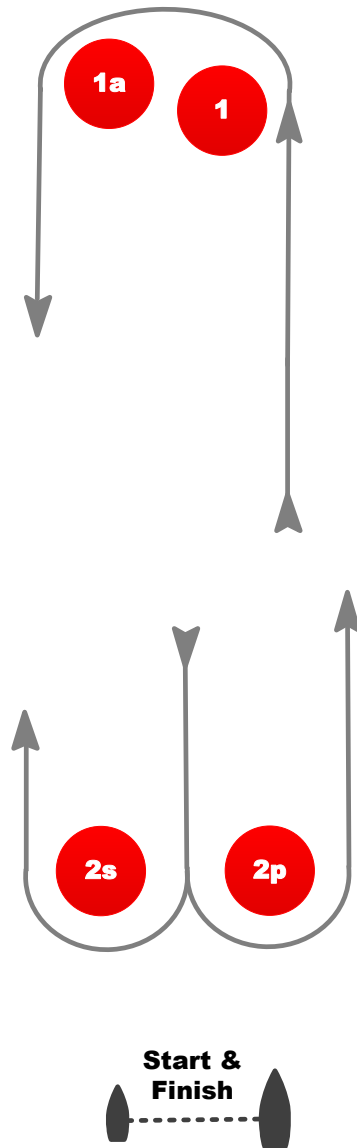
## COURSE DIAGRAM

<b>L</b>	<b>COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD</b>
<b>Signal</b>	<b>Mark Rounding Order</b>
<b>L2</b>	<b>Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish</b>
<b>L3</b>	<b>Start – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – 2s/2p – 1 – Finish</b>



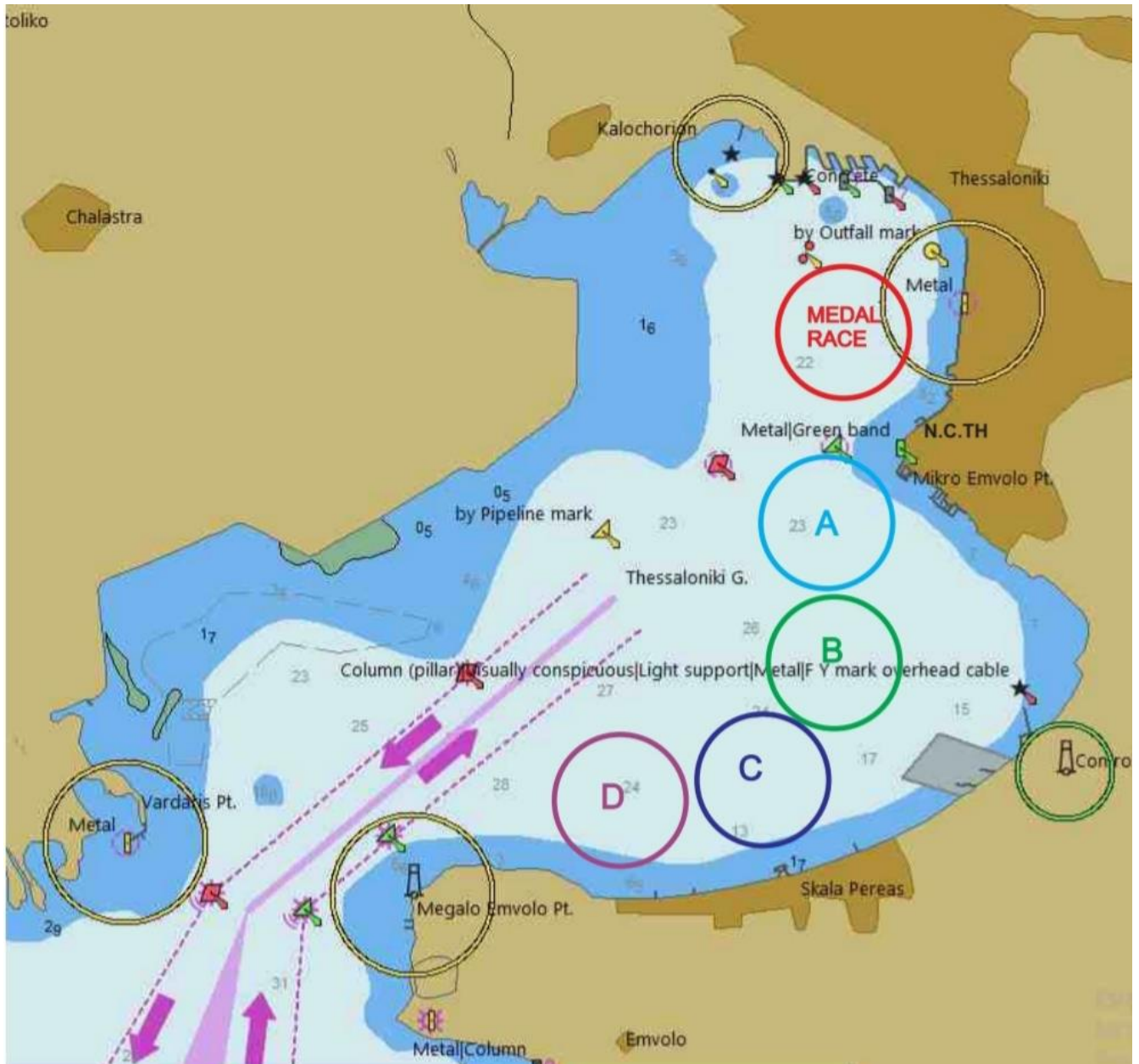


<b>LA</b>	<b>COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD with spreader mark and leeward finish</b>
<b>Signal</b>	<b>Mark Rounding Order</b>
<b>LA2</b>	<b>Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish</b>
<b>LA3</b>	<b>Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish</b>
<b>LA4</b>	<b>Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish</b>



## ATTACHMENT B

## COURSE LOCATIONS



## ATTACHMENT C

## PROVISIONAL RACING SCHEDULE

2021 Alexander the Great Cup Warning signal			
Day 1 – Sep 8	Course A	Course B	Course C
13:00	49erFX 3 races	49er 3 races	Nacra 17 3 races
Day 2- Sep 9	Course A	Course B	Course C
TBA	49erFX 3 races	49er 3 races	Nacra 17 3 races
Day 3 – Sep 10	Course A	Course B	Course C
TBA	49erFX 3 races	49er 3 races	Nacra 17 3 races

## ATTACHMENT D

## FINISHING EXCLUSION ZONE

