



## OPTIMIST SWISS OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

### Sailing Instructions (SI)

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

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee (RC) without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the protest committee (PC) with a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

RC: Race Committee | NOR: Notice of Race | RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

#### **1 Rules**

1.1 See rules listed in NoR 1.

1.2 The first sentence of RRS 40.1 is deleted and replaced by: "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) according to class rule 4.2 (a), properly secured at all times while on the water except when temporarily adding or removing clothing.

#### **2 Changes to Sailing Instructions**

Any change to the SI will be posted no later than 2 hours before the first race of the day, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted not later than 19:30 h the day before it will take effect.

#### **3 Communication with Competitors**

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the online notice board in Manage2Sail.

3.2 The race office is located in the container.

#### **4 Code of Conduct**

[DP] [NP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with requests from event officials.

#### **5 Signals made ashore**

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast in the regatta area.

5.2 The warning signal for the next race will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag AP is lowered ashore.

5.3 When AP/H is displayed ashore, boats shall not leave the harbour. [DP] [NP]

#### **6 Schedule (NOR 8.2)**

Thu 1.9.11:00 Opening ceremony

11:20 Coach Meeting

11:30 Skippers Meeting

12:30 Races

Fri 2.9. 11:00 Races

Sat 3.9. 11:00 Races

Sun 4.9. 11:00 Races

Maximum number of races: 12 (NOR 8.3)

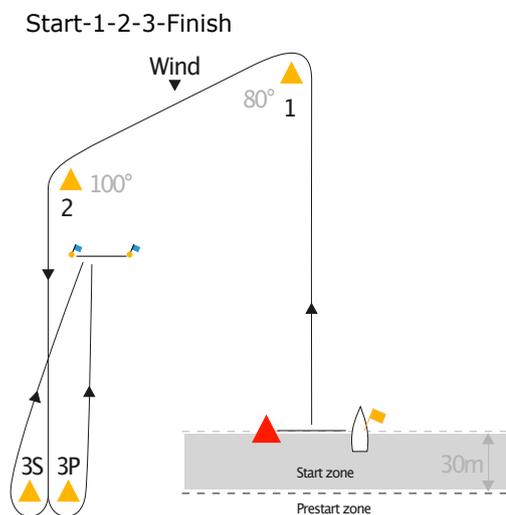
Maximum number of races per day: 4

## 7 Fleet assignment [NP]

- 7.1 The TN are equally divided into groups of max. 80 boats.  
The 12 leading SUI boats of the current BESTENLISTE will be manually assigned to the fleets, the following boats by sail number, foreign boats as far as possible according to their national ranking.
- 7.2 The first reassignment to new fleets will be made in the evening of the first day where all fleets have completed at least 2 races.
- 7.3 Thereafter reassignments will be made every evening, provided that all fleets have completed at least one race that day.
- 7.4 Reassignments are based on the ranking of the races which have been finished by all fleets as follows: 1-2-3-3-2-1-1-2-3-3-2 ... or similar according to the number of groups.
- 7.5 If both fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the fleet with fewer races will continue racing the following day. The boats may carry the ribbons of their new fleet.
- 7.6 The new fleet assignment will be based on the ranking available at 19:30h regardless of protests or requests for redress not yet decided.
- 7.7 The boats shall carry the coloured ribbon on the top of the sprit. [DP]
- 7.8 Every boat will be solely responsible to race in his assigned fleet. Boats racing in a wrong fleet will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.1.
- 7.9 Instead of the class flag, the fleet color flag will be used for the warning signal.

## 8 The Course

The IODA course will be sailed.



## 9 The Marks

- 9.1 The starting marks are a committee boat with orange flag and a red tetrahedral mark.
- 9.2 The course marks are tetrahedral orange marks.
- 9.3 The finishing marks are red spherical marks with blue flags.

## 10 Obstructions

Except while finishing a boat shall not cross the finishing line. It ranks as obstruction..

## 11 The Start

- 11.1 The starting line is between the flagpole with the orange flag on the starting boat and the red mark.
- 11.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of race will begin soon, the orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 11.3 Boats that are not the next to start shall stay at least 30m behind the starting line and their extensions.
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## 12 The Finish

The finishing line is between red spherical marks with blue flags.

### **13 Penalty System**

13.1 RRS Appendix P applies, except that "yellow flag" in P1.2 is changed to "red flag".

#### **13.2 The races will be umpired as follows:**

- 13.2.1 RRS 44.1 applies. A boat may take a Two-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing.
- 13.2.2 Following a protest, an umpire may penalise any boat that has not taken an appropriate penalty (signalled by identifying the boat, and displaying a red flag with a sound signal), or may signal that no boat is penalised (by displaying a green-and-white flag with a sound signal). When an umpire makes such a signal, the protesting boat is not entitled to a hearing. This changes rule 63.1.
- 13.2.3 A boat penalised with a red flag shall take a Two-Turn Penalty. However, when the umpires decide the boat has committed a breach of sportsmanship or gained advantage by her breach, the umpire may further penalise the boat with another red flag signalled at the end of the penalty. A boat that knows she has broken a rule and is not exonerated, and does not take a penalty, commits a breach of sportsmanship.
- 13.2.4 An umpire may also signal a red flag penalty on a boat for a breach of rule 31 (Touching a Mark), or rule 2 (Sportsmanship), and for failure to take an umpire-signalled penalty or gaining advantage despite taking a penalty. No protest is required.
- 13.2.5 If a boat protests, and either no umpire makes a signal, or an umpire signals with a white flag to indicate "no umpire decision", the boat is entitled to a hearing according to SI 15.1.
- 13.2.6 No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action of an umpire.

### **14 Time Limits**

- 14.1 The target time for a race is 40 to 45 minutes [NP]
- 14.4 Boats who do not finish within 10 minutes after the first boat of the fleet sails the course and finishes shall be scored TLE without a hearing. This changes RRS A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

### **15 Hearing requests**

- 15.1 Add to RRS 61.1(a) Boats intending to protest shall inform the race committee immediately after finishing and specify the sailnumber of the protestee. (NOR 1.3)  
If this is not possible for a valid reason, the protest can be registered at a committee boat or ashore.
- 15.2 For each fleet, 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, whichever is later.  
The time will be posted on the online notice board.
- 15.3 Hearing requests shall be entered within the protest time on the forms available from the race office.
- 15.4 Hearing notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. Hearings will be held in the jury container and shall not begin after 21h.
- 15.5 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 under Appendix P will be posted.

### **16 Scoring**

- 16.1 4 races are required to be completed for all fleets to constitute the championship..
- 16.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.3 When 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.4 When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- 16.5 Only races that have been finished by all fleets are taken into account for the final ranking. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 16.6 RRS A5.2 is changed so that the score is the number of boats in the largest fleet plus 1 (DNC, DNS, DSQ, TLE etc.)

### **17 Safety [DP] [NP]**

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or the race office as soon as possible.
- 17.2 Before leaving the harbor, coaches or sailors shall inform the race office about boats not competing.

### **18 Replacement of crew or equipment**

- 18.1 A boat shall not substitute damaged or lost equipment unless authorized in writing by the RC. Requests for substitution shall be made to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race. [DP]

18.2 A boat shall not use a different sail number to the one entered in the online entry unless she has made a written request which has been approved by the RC. A boat that breaks this rule shall be scored DNC without a hearing. This changes RRS A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

### **19 Equipment and Measurement Checks**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, the NoR and SI.

### **20 Official Vessels**

On lake Silvaplana only committee and jury boats are permitted.  
Jury boats display a corresponding flag.

### **21 Support boats (NOR 14)**

No coach boats are permitted..  
Any form of coaching on the water is prohibited.

### **22 Trash Disposal**

22.1 It is strictly forbidden to put trash in the water. The penalty for breaking this rule shall be disqualification from the current or upcoming race. This changes RRS 47.

22.2 Lake Silvaplana as well as the boatpark is part of a beautiful scenery deserving protection. It is strictly prohibited to leave material or deposit waste. Ashore competitors, coaches and visitors will find waste and PET containers. The boat-, trailer- and carpark instructions and orders by the organizing authority must be respected. Noncompliance with any of the above issues can lead to disqualification for one race or even the entire championship.

