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EurILCA EUROPA CUP & OPEN BELGIAN CHAMPIONSHIP ILCA 7 - 6 - 4

15 TO 17 April, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Times given in this notice of race or in any other instructions concerning the races are referring to the official local Summertime in 24-hours format (UTC+2)

1 RULES

- 1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2 [DP] RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat.
- 3 Appendix P will apply with the details described below in NoR § 14.
- 4 Appendix T applies
- 5 The prescriptions of the Belgian Sailing Federation can be found on <https://belgiansailing.be/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Prescriptions-Belgian-Sailing-RRS-2022-2024-ENG.pdf>
- 6 Every person on board who has his domicile in Belgium shall have the appropriate licence.
- 7 [DP] All competitors and support persons must adhere to the COVID-19 rules of the Belgian government see <https://www.infocoronavirus.be/en/> and https://mobilier.belgium.be/nl/scheepvaart/covid_19_coronavirus
- 8 RRS 90.3(e) applies with a time limit of 48 hours. This changes RRS 90.3e
- 9 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 The sailing instructions will be available on 25/03/2022 at <https://bit.ly/2022europacup>.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 1 The online official notice board is located at <https://bit.ly/2022europacup>
- 2 [NP][DP] All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 8-9-13-16-67-72-77.
- 3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 1 The event is open to all boats of the ILCA 7, ILCA 6 and ILCA 4 classes.
- 2 The entry closing date is 08/04/2022.
- 3 Only current fully paid members of ILCA may enter the regatta. These memberships shall be with the Fleet/District Association and with the World Sailing National Authority of the country, where the sailor normally sails, even though such place may not be his permanent residence; however, such member, for any valid reason and with the approval of both District Chairperson, may select instead the Fleet/District and the World Sailing National Authority in which he has permanent residence in accordance with the ILCA constitution article 10 (3) and ILCA rule part two article 9. The sailor can only be member of one Fleet/District Association.



The World Sailing number of the sailor must be with the World Sailing National Authority as defined above

- 4 Competitors are divided and scored in the following categories:
 - a) ILCA 7: Overall, Under 21 (born 2002-2005), Boys Under 19 (born 2004-2005),
 - b) ILCA 6 Women: Overall, Women Under 21 (born 2002-2007), Women Under 19 (born 2004-2007), Girls Under 17 (born 2006-2007)
 - c) ILCA 6 Men: Overall, Boys Under 19 (born 2004-2007), Boys Under 17 (born 2006-2007),
 - d) ILCA 4 Boys: Overall (born 2005-2010), Boys Under 16, (born 2007-2010)
 - e) ILCA 4 Girls: Overall, Girls Under 16 (born 2007-2010).
 - 5 The ILCA 4 eligibility is restricted to sailors who are born in 2010 or earlier having his/her 12th birthday before the first day of the race.
 - 6 **To enter for this Europa Cup regatta a sailor needs to:**
 - a) be registered at the EurILCA.eu website for this event
 - b) complete the entry form and pay online on <https://bit.ly/2022europacup>
 - 7 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees online by checking the Mollie-payment-button on the website [where you can select American Express, Mastercard, Visa, Bancontact (BEL), Ideal (NED), CB carte bancaires (FRA), bank wire transfer (EUR). People from outside Europe having trouble with online payments can contact ro@rnsyc.be for instructions].
 - 8 Entries and payments at the venue are not scheduled.
 - 9 It is the responsibility of the helm to complete and/or correct any of his/her personal or boat data including World Sailing sailors ID, national sailing licence for Belgian participants, rig type and sail numbers into the Manage2sail entry-form before 13/04/2022 23h59 to validate your entry.
 - 10 Late entries, corrections and/or completion of the boat and helm data or payments at the venue's race office will be accepted at the discretion of the organising authority at a minimum additional cost for the administration of € 20 payable in the appropriate EURO cash currency.
 - 11 The maximum number of boats that will be admitted to the event is 150.
 - 12 All participants must be members of a club that is affiliated to a National Authority of World Sailing.
 - 13 Each sailor shall be current members of their National Class Association and shall mail proof of his National ILCA Class Association membership to entries@rnsyc.be before 13/04/2022 23h59.
 - 14 Competitors under 18 years of age shall mail to entries@rnsyc.be a signed and completed parent (guardian) consent and declaration form before 13/04/2022 23h59. The forms can be downloaded from the online notice board under "documents".
5. FEES
- 1 Required fees are as follows:
 - a) Required fee is € 120 for all entries paid before 08/04/2022 23h59, after that date € 140.
 - b) Fee for a coach or support boat is € 25 if paid before 08/04/2022 23h59, after that time € 50. This includes craning in and out or use of the slipway.
 - c) Parking for a camper for the duration of the event can be reserved on the entry form at € 25 for the duration of the event.
 - d) The organising authority will refund the entry fee if the event should be cancelled due to an unpredictable COVID-19 situation.
 - e) The organising authority will refund 90% of the entry fee in case of a boat's withdrawal until 30 days before the first racing day, 70% for a withdrawal within 30 days before the first racing day.
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6. CREW LIMITATIONS
 - Laser class rule 7 (a) is restricted as follows: "Only one person shall be on board whilst racing. The person shall be named on the entry form.
7. ADVERTISING
 - 1 [DP] Boats shall display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. See World Sailing Advertising Code 20.
 - 2 [DP] The organising authority may provide bibs that competitors shall wear while racing as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.
8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES
 - Fleets with more than 60 entries may be splitted into groups
9. SCHEDULE
 - 1 Registration Thursday 14/4 18h00 > 20h00 and Friday 15/4 from 08h00 > 09h30
 - a) To register at the venue you shall scan the QR-code on the Self Check-In Card received with your entry confirmation at the scanner placed behind the secretariat window and wait till the tablet or screen near it displays your registration at the venue is well received.
 - b) Registration at the venue's race office without QR-code is not scheduled, see NoR § 4.10.
 - c) After 13/04/2022 23h59 any request to change equipment such as rig type and sail numbers shall be made through the Manage2sail App that is available for free download on <https://juryterminal.manage2sail.com/> . The decision of the race committee will be posted on the notice board under "equipment substitutions" or "crew substitutions"
 - 2 Briefing Competitors: Friday 15/04/2022 10h15
 - 3 Dates of Racing:

Friday 15/04/2022	11h55 first warning signal
Saturday 16/04/2022	10h25 first warning signal
Sunday 17/04/2022	10h25 first warning signal
 - 4 Number of races:
 - a) A total of 8 races are scheduled, with 2 or 3 races each day.
 - b) No more than 3 races will be sailed on the same day
 - 5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 15h30.
10. EQUIPMENT & INSPECTION
 - 1 All competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centreboard and rudder. The Europa Cup trophy will be sailed in Laser class boats as recognized by World Sailing , commonly sold under the brand name "ILCA" or "Laser". All boats must have a valid World Sailing Plaque attached in accordance with the ILCA class rules to the aft face of the cockpit.
 - 2 Sails shall have the full sail number and national letters in accordance with the Class Rules and the RRS. The national letters shall denote the National Authority of which the sailor is a member in accordance with RRS 75.2 and with the Notice of Race clause 4.1 Eligibility and Entry Regulations. This changes RRS Appendix G 1.1.
 - 3 Women competitors shall place a red diamond on each side of their sail (back to back) in compliance with ILCA class rule 4(g).
 - 4 Boats and equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, wet clothing rules and sailing instructions at the discretion of the technical committee, Jury or race committee.
11. SPARE
12. VENUE



- 1 The race office is located on the ground floor of the RNSYC clubhouse.
- 2 NoR Addendum 1 shows the location of the racing areas.

13. COURSES

- 1 The courses to be sailed will be:
 - a) ILCA 7: outerloop
 - b) ILCA 6: outerloop
 - c) ILCA 4: innerloop

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 1 Appendix P will apply with the following changes:
 - a) If a first penalty is signalled after a boat has crossed the finish line, a scoring penalty of 10% of the score for did not finish rounded to a whole number (rounding 0.5 upward) will be added to the boat's score. However, she shall not be scored worse than DSQ.
 - b) RRS P3 is replaced with "If a boat has been penalised for the first time under RRS P1.2 and the race is restarted or resailed the penalty is cancelled, but it is counted to determine the number of times she has been penalised during the regatta. This changes RRS 36."
 - c) RRS P4 is replaced with "An action by the jury under RRS P1.2 shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat. The jury may initiate a redress hearing and may give redress for an action under RRS P1.2 by a member of the jury or its designated observer". This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 2 A boat that has either retired from or been disqualified in a race for a second or subsequent breach of RRS 42 shall not compete in that race if it is restarted or resailed. For the purposes of this instruction a race is 'restarted or resailed' when it has the same race number as a previously abandoned or recalled race, even if the race is resailed on a later date. If she competes in that race, she shall be disqualified without a hearing and that score shall not be excluded (DNE) and the jury will consider calling a hearing under RRS 69.1(a). This means:

Yellow Flag	Immediate penalty	After a general recall or a postponement or an abandonment	No action by boat	After a general recall or a postponement or an abandonment
First	1st Two turns/ 10% (SI 15.1(a))	Can restart	DSQ	Shall not restart if notified of the DSQ
Second	Retire (RET)	Shall not restart	DNE Race	Can not restart
Third	Retire (DNE)	Shall not restart	DNE Event	Can not restart

15. SCORING

- 1 Three races are required to be completed to qualify as Belgian Championship.
- 2 If the fleet is split into groups:
 - a) If fewer than the scheduled number of Races are completed, the score shall stand after the last race in which all groups competed.
 - b) If starting groups have an unequal number of participants, boats will be scored on the basis of the number of competitors of the largest registered starting group.
 - c) Where a fleet is split into Gold and Silver groups, the 1st ranked in the silver fleet will be ranked in the subsequent place of the gold fleet.
 - d) Where men and women fleets sail together (in ILCA 6 and ILCA 4 Fleets) the men and women will be ranked separately by simply extracting the women's positions from the overall positions and rescored as 1st, 2nd, etc.
- 3 Discards:
 - a) 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.
- 4 For the EurILCA Europa Cup 2022 overall scoring rules and results see the documents on www.eurilca.eu



16. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 1 [DP] Support vessels shall register at <https://bit.ly/2022europacup> and pay all fees online by checking the Mollie-payment-button on the website [where you can select American Express, Mastercard, Visa, Bancontact (BEL), Ideal (NED), CB carte bancaires (FRA), bank wire transfer (EUR). People from outside Europe having trouble with online payments can contact ro@rnsyc.be for instructions].
- 2 To register at the venue, you shall scan the QR-code on the Self Check-In Card received with your entry confirmation at the scanner placed behind the secretariat window and wait till the tablet or screen near it displays your presence on-site is confirmed.
- 3 Registration at the venue's race office without QR-code is not scheduled, see NoR § 4.10.
- 4 [DP] Support person vessels shall be marked on both sides of the hull or on the tubes for rhibs:
 - a) midships or near the bow, in characters of at least 10 cm height: the legal registration number
 - b) in characters of at least 20 cm height: your national letters as in RRS AP G
 - c) if SI 16.1(b) is not met, the national letters on the hull can be replaced by putting them on both sides of the outboard engine-housing or by a rectangular flag with these national letters in characters of at least 20 cm, attached with the upper end and lower end on a pole with the flag displayed at least 1,20 m above the sea level.

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 1 For charter boats, please contact: pieter@vanlaersailing.be or sales@optiteam.be or ro@rnsyc.be
- 2 A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race. See RRS G3.

18. BERTHING

[DP] Boats and trailers shall be kept in their assigned places while in the boat park or harbour.

19. SPARE

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21. DATA PROTECTION AND MEDIA RIGHTS

1. By entering for this event, you allow the organising authority to display the names, birthdates and gender of you and your crew and the name, type, and sail number of the registered boat on online and printed entry lists, positions during racing, results, articles in press and social media.
2. By entering and participating in this event, competitors accept that they may be photographed, audio recorded and/or videotaped at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images and recordings in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.
3. Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, and positioning equipment as specified and supplied by the organising authority.
4. The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
5. Competitors may be required to be available for interviews at the event.

22. RISK STATEMENT

- 1 Rule 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 hers alone".
- 2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in an event, each competitor (parent for minors) 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 an event
 - b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, crew and their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore
 - c) they accept responsibility for any loss, damage, personal injury, or death 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, 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) At-fault occurrences to other boats are the responsibility of the helmsman. Competitors are not covered by any liability insurance provided by the organising authority and should provide their own coverage for personal goods and liability protection. The organising authority recommends that competitors consult their own insurance carriers to assure they are covered at this event and regarding additional personal liability insurance coverage.
 - h) Their boat is adequately insured for the amount indicated below in NoR 23.
- 3 Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the skipper and crew of a boat, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death, or personal injury, howsoever it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing.
 - 4 Boats, competitors, and support persons are also reminded of their primary responsibility to offer assistance to any person overboard and to any boat or person in danger at any time. If a competing team stands by or assists, redress can be requested.

23. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000,- per incident or the equivalent.

24. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the first 3 places in each overall category and for the first in each sub category defined in NoR 4.4.

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact regatta@rnsyc.be

ADDENDUM 1: RACE AREA

