



**14** Worlds  
International **2008**  
Warnemünde



## International 14 Class World Championship 2008

12-20 July 2008  
Warnemünde, Germany

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. Rule 77 & Appendix G is modified in that G1.3(d) is deleted. Boats competing in this event are not required to carry identification on their spinnakers.
- 1.3. No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will prevail.

#### 2. Advertising

- 2.1. Advertising shall be permitted in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Category C.
- 2.2. The Organizing Authority may require all participating boats to display event-sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

#### 3. Notice to competitors

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Race Office.

#### 4. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 4.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect except that any changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 5. Signals made ashore

- 5.1. Announcements will be made by displaying the following signals at the flag pole in the harbour:
  - Flag „L“: There is a notice to competitors on the notice board.
  - Flag „AP“: Start is postponed.
  - Flag „P“: Please leave the harbour immediately. The race will be started soon.
  - „AP“ over „A“: No racing today
  - Flag „Y“: Wear personal buoyancy all time while afloat.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the RRS race signal AP.

- 5.3. When flag "Y" is displayed ashore, rule 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

## **6. Schedule of Races**

- 6.1. On all racing days the first warning signal will be given at 11:00h. Changes may be made according to SI 4.1, 5.1 or RRS 27.3.
- 6.2. Racing days of the International 14 Class World Championship are from Mon, 14.July 2008 to Sun, 20.July 2008.
- 6.3. One (1) race per day is scheduled for the World Championship Regatta; however, more than one (1) race per day may be sailed after a postponement or abandonment or if the Race Committee deems this to be advisable because of weather information.
- 6.4. Latest time for starting a race is 14:00h on 20. July 2008.
- 6.5. The warning signal for the Practice Race of the World Championship will be given at 15:00h on Sunday, 13. July 2008.

## **7. Class flag**

- 7.1. The Class flag will be the Int. 14 Class flag.

## **8. Racing Areas, Courses, and Marks**

- 8.1. Attachment 1 shows the location of all Warnemünde racing areas. Racing area "G (Golf)" will be used for the Int. 14 Class World Championship.
- 8.2. The diagram in Attachment 2 shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.3. Marks will be orange buoys with logo "Rentaco AG" and black numbers 1, 1A, 2, 3, 3A, a new mark, as provided in SI 10 with black number 4.
- 8.4. No later than the warning signal, the race committee starting vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg on a white board with black numbers.
- 8.5. At a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.
- 8.6. A gate may be replaced by a single mark, which has to be left to port.

## **9. The Start**

- 9.1. Races will be started by using rule 26 with the following addition: For a second or a third race of a day or after a long postponement an attention signal (orange flag with one sound) will be made five minutes before the warning signal. The orange flag will be removed with one sound one minute before the warning signal. This changes rule 27.1.
- 9.2. The starting line will be between a pole displaying a triangle on the race committee boat at the starboard end and either a starting mark with a red flag or a staff displaying a red flag on a race committee boat at the port end of the line.
- 9.3. Boats failing to start within 10 minutes after their starting signal will be scored „Did not start“ without a hearing. (This changes rule A4)
- 9.4. If a boat fails to start or breaks rule 30.3, the race committee at Mark 1 may point flag X at her, make a sound signal and hail her sail number. The hailed boat shall immediately retire from the race. If she fails to do so she will be disqualified without a hearing and her score will not be excluded. This changes rule A5.
- 9.5. When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

## **10. Change of the next leg of the course**

- 10.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced by an original mark.
- 10.2. If there is a change of the position of the windward mark there will be no (new) offset mark.

## **11. Finish**

- 11.1. The finishing line will be between a pole displaying a triangle on the race committee boat at the starboard end and either a finishing mark with a red flag or a staff displaying a red flag on a race committee boat at the port end of the line.
- 11.2. Flag „L“ displayed on the finishing vessel means: “A further race will be started as soon as possible.” (Alteration RRS: “Race Signals”)

## **12. Time limit, Finishing the race**

- 12.1. Any boat which has not finished within 45 minutes - if two or more races are being run per day 30 minutes - of the leading boat will be scored DNF. (This changes RRS 35 und A4.1)

## **13. Wind conditions**

- 13.1. Racing shall not be started when the wind strength, measured not more than 3 metres above sea level, is less than 5 knots. Racing will be abandoned at the discretion of the race committee.

## **14. Penalty System**

- 14.1. For the World Championship Regatta, rule 44 will be changed in the Sailing Instructions such that, if an incident occurs outside the two-length zone of a rounding or finishing mark, rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one (1) turn, including one (1) tack and one (1) gybe, are required.
- 14.2. A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit. Competitors failing to comply with this Sailing Instruction will not be penalised. However competitors are advised that failure to report could result in the risk of disqualification if a protest hearing proceeds in their absence under RRS 63.3(b). (This changes RRS 64.1(a).)
- 14.3. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with Appendix N of the RRS. In accordance with Rule 70.4, there shall be no right of appeal from the decisions of the International Jury.

## **15. Protests, alternative penalties**

- 15.1. Protest forms are available at the race office.
- 15.2. Protests shall be delivered there in writing on the prescribed form within the protest time limit.
- 15.3. The protest time limit is 2 hours after the first boat has finished the last race of the day. (This changes RRS 61.3)
- 15.4. Hearings will be opened if possible in the order of protest receipt. Time and order of hearings will be posted on the notice board not later than 45 minutes after the end of the protest time limit.
- 15.5. The parties involved and witnesses are required to be available for the hearing promptly at the advertise time and place.
- 15.6. Breaches of instructions SI 17., 20. and 21. will not be subject for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 15.7. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day. (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 15.8. Protests (measurement protests incl.) or objections to facts whose ascertainment would have been reasonable the days before will not be accepted on the day of the last race.
- 15.9. The Protest Committee is in accordance to RRS 90 an International Jury. The decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.4.

## **16. Scoring**

- 16.1. The Low-Point-System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 16.2. Seven (7) races are scheduled of which four (4) must be completed to constitute a series. Each boat's score will be the total of her race scores, with her worst score discarded if 5 or more races have been completed.

## **17. Equipment, Advertising and Measurement Checks**

- 17.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. Penalties for breaches of a measurement or equipment rule may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides (change of RRS 63.4).

## **18. Safety Regulations**

- 18.1. Boats shall pass from leeward to windward a check-line between the starting vessel and a mark with a green flag on the starboard end before their warning signal if such a line is laid.
- 18.2. A boat that retires from a race shall inform immediately the race committee or the race office. The race office telephone number will be posted on the official board.
- 18.3. In case of extremely dangerous weather conditions the race committee will fire, together with or after the signals for abandonment of races, 3 guns with green stars. This signal will be repeated by as many Race Committee vessels as possible. This means for racing boats: Safety first for crew and helmsman. Sail your boat in the safest way to the nearest harbor. For all other vessels in the area: Watch and give assistance in rescuing crews and boats.
- 18.4. Adequate personal buoyancy shall be worn when racing.
- 18.5. The race committee may refuse personal buoyancy which seems to be inadequate.
- 18.6. Safety in the area of the sea channel Warnemünde:  
Pay attention to maritime regulations (Collision Regulations and Seeschiffahrtsstraßen Ordnung). Instructions of the water police must be followed.

## **19. Official Boats**

- 19.1. Boats of the race committee will display a white flag displaying "RC" and a flag with the color of their racing area.
- 19.2. The starting vessel will be recognized by their area identification flag (coloured flags)
- 19.3. Jury boats will display a white flag with the word "Jury".
- 19.4. The boat of the measurer will display a white flag with "Measurer"
- 19.5. Press boats will display a white flag with "Press"

## **20. Support boats**

- 20.1. See NOR 13.
- 20.2. While racing Support boats shall remain outside the racing area. Furthermore, support boats shall remain outside the starting area whenever any class is racing.
- 20.3. Support boats shall not interfere with racing boats. Bow waves may be regarded as interference under this SI.
- 20.4. Support boats shall give all possible help to ANY person or vessel in danger or in need of outside assistance.
- 20.5. Support boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the harbor.
- 20.6. The Penalty (if) for an infringement of this SI will be defined and imposed by the Jury.

## **21. Radio communication**

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

## **22. Prizes**

- 22.1. The skipper and crew of the boat winning the World Championship 2008 will be awarded the World Championship Trophy.
- 22.2. Individual trophies will be presented to the skipper and crew of each of the top ten (10) finishers.
- 22.3. The highest-placing skipper or crew over 50 years of age will be awarded the Windmaster Trophy.
- 22.4. The skipper and crew winning the first race of the World Championship Regatta will be awarded the Chris Benedict Perpetual Trophy.
- 22.5. Additional trophies will be presented by the organizing authority.

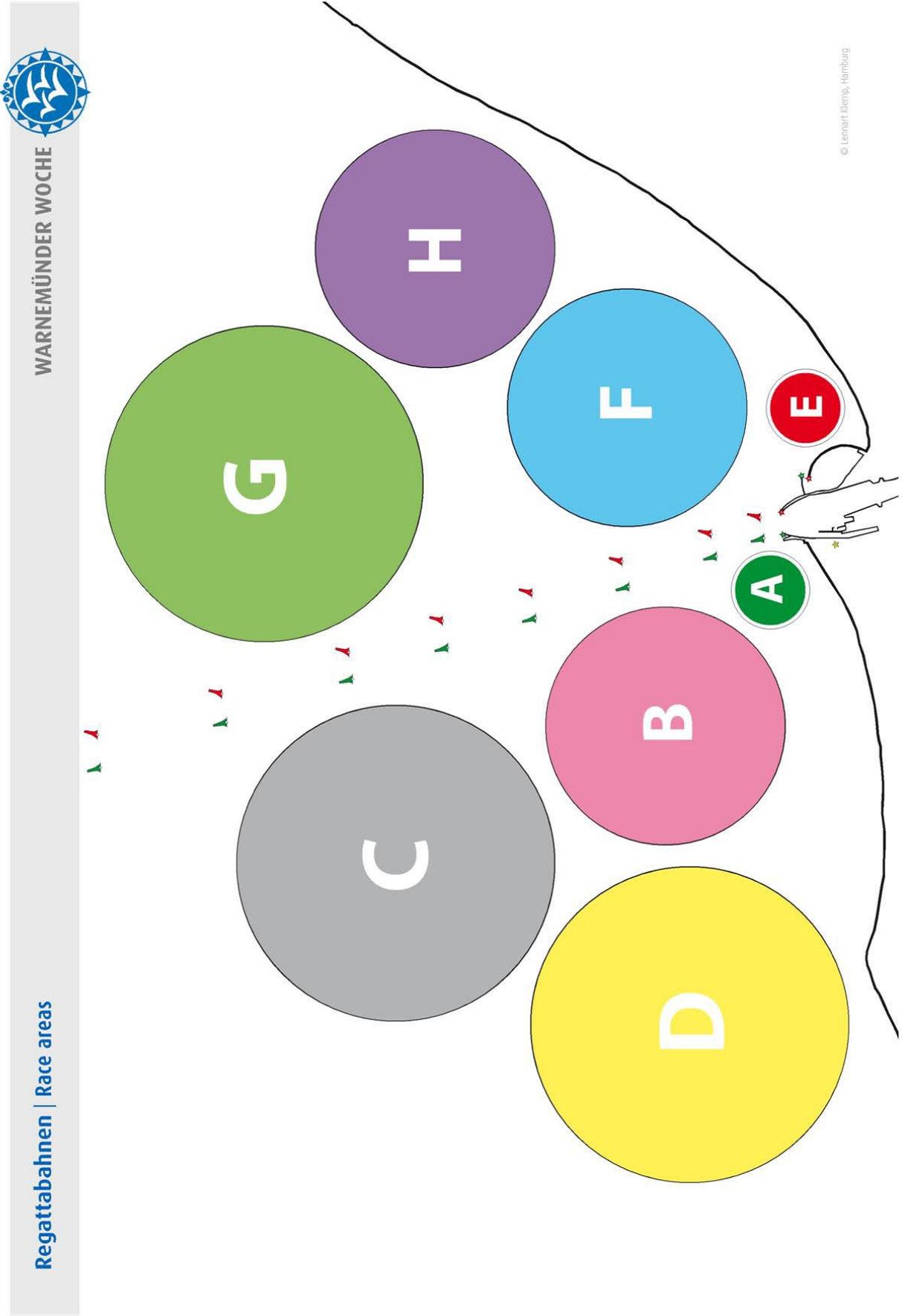
## **23. Disclaimer of Liability**

- 23.1. 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.
- 23.2. The law of the Federal Republic of Germany shall apply.

## **24. Insurance**

- 24.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 500.000 € per event or the equivalent.

Attachment 1 – Warnemünde Racing Areas



WARNEMÜNDER WOCHE

Regattabahnen | Race areas

Attachment 2 – International 14 Class World Championship Course

