# Sailing Instructions 2017 World Championships

## **International 2.4mR Class**

## Sneek, The Netherlands 30<sup>th</sup> June – 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017

The Organizing Authorities for the 2017 World Championships 2.4mR class are Koninklijke Watersportvereniging Sneek (KWS) together with the International 2.4mR Class Association in conjunction with the Royal Netherlands Sailing Association.

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- **1.2** The ISAF 'Rules for Championships Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding' will apply.
- 1.3 The class rules will apply
- **1.5** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the regatta-office. The regatta-office ("starttoren") is situated at the "Starteiland" (Kolmeersland).

## 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole on top of the regatta-office ("starttoren").
- **4.2** When flag AP **I** is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- **4.3** Flag D is with one sound means 'Boats are requested not to leave the harbour when this signal is made. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is lowered.'

## 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series. Addendum C applies.
- 5.2 Dates of racing

Sunday	Practice Race	Warning Signal - 1355
Monday 3 July	Skippers meeting	0900
	3 Races	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal – 1055
Tuesday 4 July	3 Races	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal – 0955
Wednesday 5 July	3 Races	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal – 1055
Thursday 6 July	3 Races	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal – 0955
Friday 7 July	2 Races	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal – 0955
	Gala dinner + price giving	

- 5.3 Number of races: There will be three races per day.
- **5.4** One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that there will be no more than one race ahead of schedule.
- **5.5** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 9.55 except on Monday 3 July and Wednesday 5 July when the warning signal for the first race is 10.55
- **5.6** To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.7 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14.55 hour.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be *flag W* and the number of the group (1 or 2) will be displayed

## 7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

## 8 THE COURSES

The diagrams in Attachment B shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

## 9 MARKS

- **9.1** Marks 1, 3 and 5 will be red cylindrical buoys. Marks 2S and 2P, 4S and 4P will be yellow cylindrical buoys.
- 9.2 The marks of the starting line will be orange buoys
- **9.3** The finishing line will be marked by a fluorescent orange buoy and a blue flag on a race committee boat
- **9.4** A race committee boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

#### 10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions:

The fairway of the Prinses Margrietkanaal recognizable by the red and green buoys. During racing it is not allowed to cross or sail into this fairway! Before and after racing the fairway only may be crossed at a right angle.

#### 11 THE START

- **11.1** Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- **11.2** The starting line will be on the course side of the starboard-end and port-end starting mark
- **11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- **11.4** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- **11.5** When an individual recall is given, flag X X will be displayed and <u>repeated</u> horn signals will be gives. This changes RRS 29.1.

## 12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- **12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard, and round either the mark to port or the race committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.

## 13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an blue flag at one end, and the course side of the finishing mark at the other end.

#### 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 and P 2.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is to be taken to solve the offence

## 15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

**15.1** Time limits are as follows:

Time limit Mark 1	time limit	target time
30 minutes	90 minutes	50 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit (30 minutes) the race shall be abandoned.

- 15.2 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- **15.3** Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes 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.

## 16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **16.1** Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- **16.2** For each class, 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.
- **16.3** Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of 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 at the regatta-office
- **16.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- **16.5** Breaches of instructions 11.3, 18, 21, 23, 24 and 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the jury.
- **16.6** On the last day of the regatta and after the last qualifying race 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 reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

- **16.7** On the last scheduled day of racing and after the last qualifying race 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.
- **16.8** A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes RRS 65.2.
- **16.9** A request for correction of an error in the published results has to be delivered within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 60 minutes after posting of the results, if this is later. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the boat is informed that the request is not granted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## 17 SCORING

- **17.1** Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **17.2** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
  - (c) When from 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- **17.3** If the regatta will consist of a qualifying series, then 17.2b. of these rules will apply in order to get the result of the mentioned series. After the fleet is divided in a Gold and a Silver fleet, the exclusion will be eliminated and rule 17.2 will apply for the whole series.

## 18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

#### 19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost measured sailing equipment will not be allowed unless approved in writing by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity by completing the relevant form available at the Race Office. If the substitution was made on the water between races, both the damaged and the substituting equipment shall be presented to the Measurement Sub-Committee after the end of the day's racing. The substitution is subject to the approval of the Race Committee given retrospectively.

#### 20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the race committee or a measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

#### 21 EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority which shall be attached according to the instructions given at registration.

#### 22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be signal the KWS-flag or an orange flag with the text "KWS Standby".

#### 23 SUPPORT BOATS

- **23.1** Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the (first fleet to) start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- **23.2** Support boats shall be marked with a number given at registration.

#### 24 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

#### 25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keel boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

#### 26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keel boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

#### 27 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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. VHF will only be used for safety communication.

## 28 PRIZES

The responsible person of the winning boat of the championship acquires the title "World Champion 2.4mR 2017"

- > prizes will be given to the top three overall finishers at the end of the Championship;
- If the fleet are sailed as Gold and Silver following a qualifying series, prizes will be given to the top three finishers in the Gold fleet and the top three finishers in the Silver fleet.
- There will also be prizes for the best lady-competitor, the best disabled, the best master, the best grand-master and the best rookie.

## 29 RISK STATEMENT

- **29.1** RRS 4 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." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agrees and acknowledges that:
  - 29.1 a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
  - 29.1 b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
  - 29.1 c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
  - 29.1 d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
  - 29.1 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;
  - 29.1 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.

## 30 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

#### 31 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.000.000 per event or the equivalent.

#### 32 ORGANISATION

The chief race officer will be: Beer van Arem The appointed measurer / equipment inspector will be: Keith Gordon

## ADDENDUM A; Race area







- b. When there are no qualifying races to be sailed, the Innerloop course will be used for racing.
- c. Description Innerloop: Start – 1P – Gate 2S or 2P – 1P – 3P – 4P – 5P – Finish Outerloop: Start – 1P - 3P – Gate 4S or 4P – 3P – 4P – 5P – Finish
- d. Group 1 will be racing on the Outerloop course, group 2 will be racing on the Innerloop course.
- e. The Silver fleet will be racing on the Outerloop course, the Gold fleet will be racing on the Innerloop course.

#### ADDENDUM C; Qualifying Races

a. In the qualifying races is the start of Group II (Innerloop-course) - the amount of boats as stated in the Sailing Instructions 10 minutes after a valid start of Group I (Outerloop-course). In the final races is the start of the Gold fleet (Innerloop course) the amount of boats as stated in the Sailing Instructions 10 minutes after a valid start of the Silver fleet (Outerloop-course).

Qualifying Race	Group I Outerloop	Group II Innerloop
1	Sub Groups a and b	Sub Groups c and d
2	Sub Groups b and d	Sub Groups a and c
3	Sub Groups a and d	Sub Groups b and c
4	Sub Groups c and d	Sub Groups a and b
5	Sub Groups a and c	Sub Groups b and d
6	Sub Groups b and c	Sub Groups a and d

b. The Sub Groups are sailing qualifying races according to this schedule:

c. After the qualifying races boats will be assigned to final-series fleets Gold and Silver. If six qualifying races are completed, the worst result in the qualifying races will (temporarily)be discarded.

If less than three races are completed, the ranking is based on the results without discard.

- d. There will be the same number of fleets in the final series as in the qualifying series. The final-series fleets will have, as nearly as possible, equal size but so that the Silver fleet is not larger than the Gold fleet. Boats with the best qualifying-series ranks will race all final-series races in the Gold fleet, boats with the next-best qualifying-series ranks will race in the Silver fleet.
- e. As six qualifying races are completed, the assignment to Gold- and Silver fleet will be posted on Tuesday 1<sup>th</sup> July at 2100. If at that time only five or less qualifying races are completed, the races on the next day are also qualifying races until six races are completed.
- f. If after three racing days only three qualifying races are completed, the assignment to the Gold and Silver fleet will be made after the third day on the basis of these three qualifying races. If after three days of racing less than three qualifying races are completed, the qualifying series will be extended until three valid races are completed.
- g. Scores in the qualifying series are carried forward to the final series (17.3).