

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## Open Dutch Championship

### RS Feva XL class

Organised by Koninklijke Watersportvereniging Sneek

and the Dutch RS Feva Class association

in conjunction with the Royal Netherlands Sailing Union

from 21 September to 22 September 2013  
location: Sneekermeer

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## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The 'Rules for Championships Sailing and Windsurfing' will apply.
- 1.3 Rule 40.1 is changed so that personal floatation devices must be worn at all times while afloat.
- 1.4 The class rules will apply.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall be a member of a Yachtclub or other body affiliated with the RNSA and have the required license.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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

## 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 near the regatta office.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 Flag D with one sound means 'the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats are requested not to leave the harbour until this signal is made'.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1 Dates of racing:

*Date*

*21 September* racing

*22 September* racing

### 5.2 Number of races:

A minimum of 7 races will be scheduled

Date:	Number of Races per day:
21 September	4
22 September	3

- (a) One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the series does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.

5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on the first day is 10.55 hrs. and 9.55 hrs. for the first race on the second day.

5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14.55 hrs.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flag will be flag W.

## 7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing area.

## 8 THE COURSE

The diagram in Attachment B shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, 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 with arbitrary odd numbers.  
Marks 2, 4S and 4P will be yellow cylindrical buoys with arbitrary even numbers.

9.2 The starting marks will be orange buoys.

9.3 The starboard-end finishing mark is a green buoy the port-end finishing mark is a race committee boat.

9.4 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

## 10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following area is designated as an obstruction:

- The fairway of the Prinses Margrietkanaal recognisable 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 rule 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 rule A4 and A5.
- 11.5 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.
- 11.6 When an individual recall is given, flag "X" will be displayed and repeated horn signals will be given. This changes rule 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. This changes rule 29.1.

## 13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag at the port-end, and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark.

## 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 Reserve
- 14.2 Rule 44.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

## 15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1 Time limits are as follows:

<i>Time limit Mark 1</i>	<i>time limit</i>	<i>target time</i>
<i>30 minutes</i>	<i>70 minutes</i>	<i>40 minutes</i>

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

- 15.2** Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 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 rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1** Protest forms are available at the regatta office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2** 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 protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5** reserve
- 16.6** Breaches of instructions 11.3, 18, 21, 23 ,24 en 27 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.7** 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 reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.
- 16.8** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 16.9** A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes rule 65.2.
- 16.10** 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 rule 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 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

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

## **19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **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 if supplied by the organizing authority which shall be attached according to the instructions given at registration.

## **22 OFFICIAL BOATS**

Official boats will signal the KWS flag or an orange flag with the text "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 until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **24 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. A penalty for breaking rule 55 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. This changes rule 64.1.

## **25 TRACKING DEVICES**

- 25.1** When the Organising Authority provides (satellite) tracking devices or cameras to entrants in the race, these shall be fitted as instructed and left turned on for the duration of the race. Every effort shall be made to ensure that the devices function as intended.  
A boat shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes RRS 62.1
- 25.2** Instructions about the procedure for collecting and returning these devices and how to fit them, will be given at registration and also will be posted on the notice board.

## **26 Reserve**

## **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 and other electronic devices. VHF will only be used for safety communication.

## **28 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given to the helm and crew of the first seven boats, both aged 17 or under on 31st December 2013.

The title "Dutch Champion" and the Blue pennant of the RNSA will be awarded to the team of the boat with the lowest series score with crewmembers both aged 17 or under on 31st December 2013. Both crewmembers will receive a medal of the RNSA.

Both crewmembers of the boats with the second and third lowest series score with crewmembers both aged 17 or under on 31st December 2013, also will receive a medal of the RNSA.

## **29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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.

## **30 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.

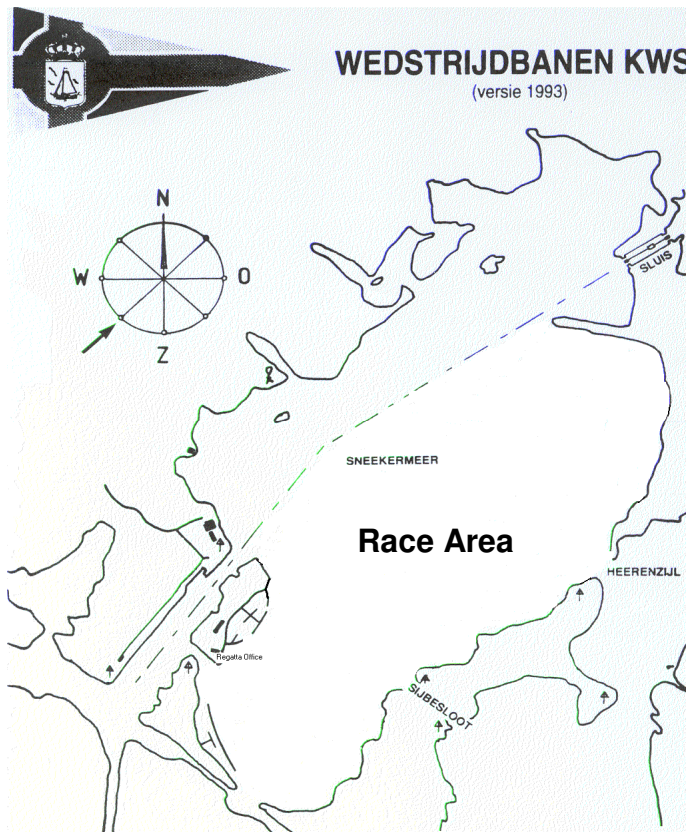
## **31 ORGANISATION**

The race officer is: Gerlof vd Werf

The chairman of the protest committee is: Peter Nannenbergh

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**The racing area**

The race area will be the Sneekermeer south east of the Prinses Margrietkanaal.



**ATTACHMENT B**  
THE COURSE

Start – 1 Port – 4 Gate – 1 Port – 2 Port – 3 Port – 5 Port - Finish

