

# 1997 IBSA/IMCO JUNIOR, YOUTH & MASTERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

## *SAILING INSTRUCTIONS*

### 1- RULES

1.1 - The regatta will be governed by:

- The 1997-2000 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (inc. appendix B Sailboard Racing Rules)
- The Notice of Race
- The relevant Class Rules
- This Sailing Instructions including appendix 1, 2 and 3
- Notices of the Official Notice Board

### 2- ENTRIES

To be eligible to race, each competitor shall:

- a) Present a document proving date of birth
- b) Sign a waiver of liability
- c) Present the equipment measurer form signed by an official measurer

### 3- FLEETS AND DIVISIONS

3.1 - Fleets and Divisions shall be as stated in the Notice of Race.

3.2 - Each one of these fleets/divisions will be awarded a World title providing there are at least five competitors from three different countries represented in the fleet/division concerned, except women/masters, where three competitors from three different countries will suffice.

3.3 - Each competitor shall declare his/her category at registration and shall not change it thereafter.

3.4 - Definition of fleet/division by age is as stated in the Notice of Race, except that a Junior must be under the age of 17.

### 4-ADVERTISING

4.1 - This is a category B event

4.2 - Competitors may be required to display advertising for the event (provided by the organisers) on any sail they use and/or to wear vests which shall be worn whilst racing.

4.3 - If personal advertising carried by competitors is in conflict with the required event advertising or unsuitable in some way, the International Jury may require such advertisement(s) to be removed.

4.4 - The first second and third sailboards in each fleet may be asked to affix a yellow, blue or red dot sticker (supplied by organisers) on each side of the sail above the identification numbers and letters. This identification shall be removed when a competitor no longer occupies first second or third place. The yellow, blue and red stickers will be awarded at a daily ceremony.

## **5- MEASUREMENT**

5 1 - All equipment that a competitor intends to use during the regatta must be stamped before the start of the first race. Competitors in YOUTH fleet/division shall comply with the "IMCO Equipment Inspection Regulation for International Regattas"

5 2 - All equipment a competitor presents for measurement shall be in clean and dry state.

5 3 - Checks and measurements of equipment may be conducted by the official measurers at any time during the regatta. Identified competitors at sea after a race shall sail their boards to the measurement boat flying a white flag with the letter "M" and shall follow the instructions of the crew and proceed directly to the measurement area. A competitor so notified shall not leave the measurement area without the permission of the measurers. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

## **6- NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

6 1 - Notices to competitors and shall be posted in the Official Notice Board located as shown in Appendix 3

## **7- CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

7 1 - Any change in the Sailing Instructions shall be posted (after approval by each class technical delegate) at least one and half an hour prior to the first scheduled start of the day for the concerned fleet/division.

7 2 - Changes affecting the schedule of races shall be posted prior to 20:00 hrs of the day before it takes effect or within the time limit for protest, whichever is later

## **8- SIGNALS**

### **Signals made ashore**

8 1 - Signals made ashore will be hoisted on the official flagpole located as shown in Appendix 3.

8 2 - ICF "Z" over a Class flag means: Competitors of this class shall go to their racing area. Their start sequence will not commence before 30 minutes after the signal ashore has been hoisted (changes meaning of RRS No.30.2)

8 3 - ICF "Y" means: Each competitor shall wear personal buoyancy as defined in the relevant class rules from the time he/she leaves the shore until returning ashore after the race. The safety system shall be used. (alteration of RRS 40)

The flag will be displayed at least 1 hour before the starting sequence of the next race. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from all the races concerned.

### **Signals made afloat**

8 4 - INP "2" means: There will be another start as soon as possible. This signal will be displayed on the committee boat at finish line.

(ICF= International Code Flag, INP = International Numeral Pennant)

## **9- MINIMUM WIND SPEED (except for the Mistral Youth fleets)**

9 1 - Any warning signal will not be given unless the wind speed in the starting area is 6 knots or more for a minimum period of 4 minutes.

9 2 - If the wind speed drops below 6 knots during the starting procedure, the start shall be postponed

9 3 - After the start, the Race Committee may shorten or abandon the race if the average wind speed drops below 6 knots during a significant period.

9 4 - The wind speed shall be recorded by the Race Committee whose decision shall not be subject to protest

## **10 - SCHEDULE OF RACES**

10 1 - August 18 to 23 - Races. First possible start on each day is 11 00 hrs

10 2 - No more than three races a day for each fleet/division will be sailed. When two races are sailed back to back there shall be a minimum of one hour (including the return ashore) from the last finisher of the second race to the warning signal of the third race.

10 3 - There will be a maximum of 10 races. When 4 or more races are sailed, every competitor will discard his/her worst result

10 4 - The last possible start on August the 23rd is 14:00 hrs.

## **11- RACING AREAS**

11 1 - There will be two racing areas whose location is shown in Appendix 2

11 2 - In area Alpha committee boats and mark boats will fly a yellow flag

In area Bravo committee boats and mark boats will fly an orange flag

11 3 - Junior and Master competitors will sail in area Alpha

Youth competitors will sail in area Bravo

11 4 - Boards not racing shall not pass through any racing area in which there are other boards racing

11 5 The racing area shall be defined as the area extending 50 meters beyond the course, including the starting line and finishing line, which would normally be taken by a board, when racing.

## **12 - COURSES**

12 1 - The courses to be sailed are as shown in Appendix 1

12 1 - The courses length and angles between the legs may be adjusted to allow the Race Committee to set the best course in the prevailing situation.

12 2 - Before the warning signal, the Race Committee boat will display one of the following flags to indicate the course to be sailed.

Inner course White flag with word "IN" in black

Outer course White flag with word "OUT" in black

## **13. FLEET/DIVISION FLAGS**

JUNIOR BOYS Aloha logo on a blue flag

JUNIOR GIRLS Aloha logo on a pink flag

YOUTH BOYS Mistral logo on a blue flag

YOUTH GIRLS Mistral logo on a pink flag

MASTER MEN Raceboard logo on a blue flag

MASTER WOMEN Raceboard logo on a pink flag

## **14 - MARKS**

14 1 - Marks on course "Alpha" will be inflatable round yellow buoys. Marks on course "Bravo" will be inflatable cylindrical orange buoys.

14 2 - Finish marks will carry a staff with blue flag

## **15 - THE START**

15 1 - Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 system 1 except that:

6 Minutes - warning signal: Class/fleet/division flag hoisted

3 Minutes - preparatory signal: ICF "P" and "I" flag hoisted (there may also be warning signal for the next class)

1-Minute - one minute signal: ICF "I" flag lowered (or black flag)

0 Minutes - start "P" and Class flag lowered ("P" lowered during start of the last fleet/division).

### **The starting line**

15 2 - The starting line will be between a staff displaying the course area flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the start mark at the pin end. There may be a committee boat on the extension of the starting line, which may be in movement.

15 3 - A sailboard whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all sailboards whose warning signal has been made. Failure to comply may result in disqualification of next race.

15 4 - A board shall not start later than 3 minutes after her starting signal.

15 5 - The interval between the starting signal of one fleet/division and the warning signal of the next fleet/division will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

### **Hard One Minute Rule**

15 6 - If black flag is used, "I" flag will not be used.

15 7 - In the event of a valid start under the 'Black Flag', the Race Committee will try to inform, at the first reasonable opportunity, 'identified' sailboards of their disqualification, under RRS 40.3, calling their attention by pointing a black flag at them, making a sound signal and hailing their sail numbers.

15 8 - In the event of a 'Black Flag' general recall, the sail numbers of sailboards disqualified by the Race Committee shall be displayed from the stern of the Race Committee vessel. Such sailboards shall immediately leave the starting area, unless they promptly notify the Race Committee vessel of their intention to lodge a protest against an identified competitor and to lodge a request for redress, under RRS 62. (alteration of RRS 30.3.)

15 9 - Any competitor, who has notified the intention to act under SI 15.8 and does not fulfil that intention shall be scored DND. A competitor not granted redress by the Jury shall be scored DND.

## **16 - CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START**

16 1 - There will not be change of course after the start

## **17 - THE FINISH**

17 1 - The finish line will be between a staff flying a blue flag on the race committee and the finish mark at the pin end of the line

## **18 - TIME LIMIT**

18 1 - The time limit for the first sailboard to reach the first mark is 20 minutes. If this time limit is not complied the race shall be abandoned. It is the intention of the Race Committee that a race will last approximately 40 minutes.

18 2 - The time limit for the first sailboard to finish a race is 60 minutes.

18 3 - The time limit for any board finishing after the first board is 20 minutes.

### **19 - PENALTY TURNS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

19 1 - A sailboard that acknowledges an infringement by doing a 720° penalty shall complete an "Acknowledgement Form" and lodge it in the race office within the protest time.

### **20 - PROTESTS**

20 1 - A sailboard that intends to lodge a protest shall inform the protestee by hailing "Protest" at the first reasonable opportunity after the incident and by informing the Race Committee boat at the finish line **immediately** after finishing and indicates the sail number of the sailboard she intends to protest or by informing the Race office ashore if she retires (alteration of RRS B5).

20 2 - Protests shall be written on forms available at the race office and delivered before one and a half hours after the finishing time of the first board in the last fleet/division on the last race of the day on each course.

20 3 - End of protest times for each fleet/division will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

20 4 - Protest notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board about 15 minutes after the expiry of protest time

20 5 - Time limits for request of redress or reopening a hearing on the last day of competition will be 15 minutes after notifying the decision involved or after the protest time limit of the day of the last day whichever is later

### **21 - SAFETY REGULATIONS**

#### **Retirement**

21 1 - A sailboard that retires from a race shall whenever possible inform a race committee boat and as soon as possible when arriving ashore, inform the race office and complete a "Retirement form"

#### **Safety System**

21 2 - The safety system is in force when the ICF "Y" is displayed on the Official Flag Pole.

21 3 - Each competitor intending to race shall sign out personally before going out to race on sheets provided by the race committee, near the beach office.

21 4 - When returning ashore after racing, each competitor shall sign in personally to confirm that he/she has finished or retired. When two or more races are sailed back-to-back, each competitor shall sign-in within 30 minutes of the end of the time limit for the last race.

21 5 - Competitors failing to comply with SI 21.3 and 21.4 may result in disqualification.

### **22 - SCORING**

22 1 - RRS A2 "Low Points" scoring system will apply.

22 2 - All races will count for breaking ties (changes RRS A.23)

### **23 - SUPPORT BOATS**

23 1 - Coach and support boats shall leave the starting and racing area before the Preparatory signal of any fleet/division or fleet and remain outside these areas until the last competitor has finished

23 2 - Coaches and support personnel are required to register at the regatta office prior to the first scheduled race, providing details of their boats and distinctive identifications.

23.3 - Coaches and support boats shall display the national flag of at least one team they have registered to support.

23.4 - The penalty for failing to comply with SI 23.1 may be the disqualification of all sailboards associated with the infringing support personnel or any other disciplinary action at the discretion of the International Jury.

#### **24 - DISCLAIMER**

24.1 - The organisers or any person involved in the event disclaim any kind of direct or indirect responsibility for damages, loss, injury or any other type of inconvenience that may be caused during this events or during the preparation therefore.

#### **25 - OFFICIAL LANGUAGE**

25.1 - The official language is English

#### **26 - PRIZES**

26.1 - There will be at least a prize for the first three competitors in each fleet/division.

26.2 - There will be special prizes for competitors competing in Grand Masters fleet/division.

26.3 - There will be special prizes for the "Best Mistral One Design family" in Youth and Masters.

#### **27 - APPENDICES**

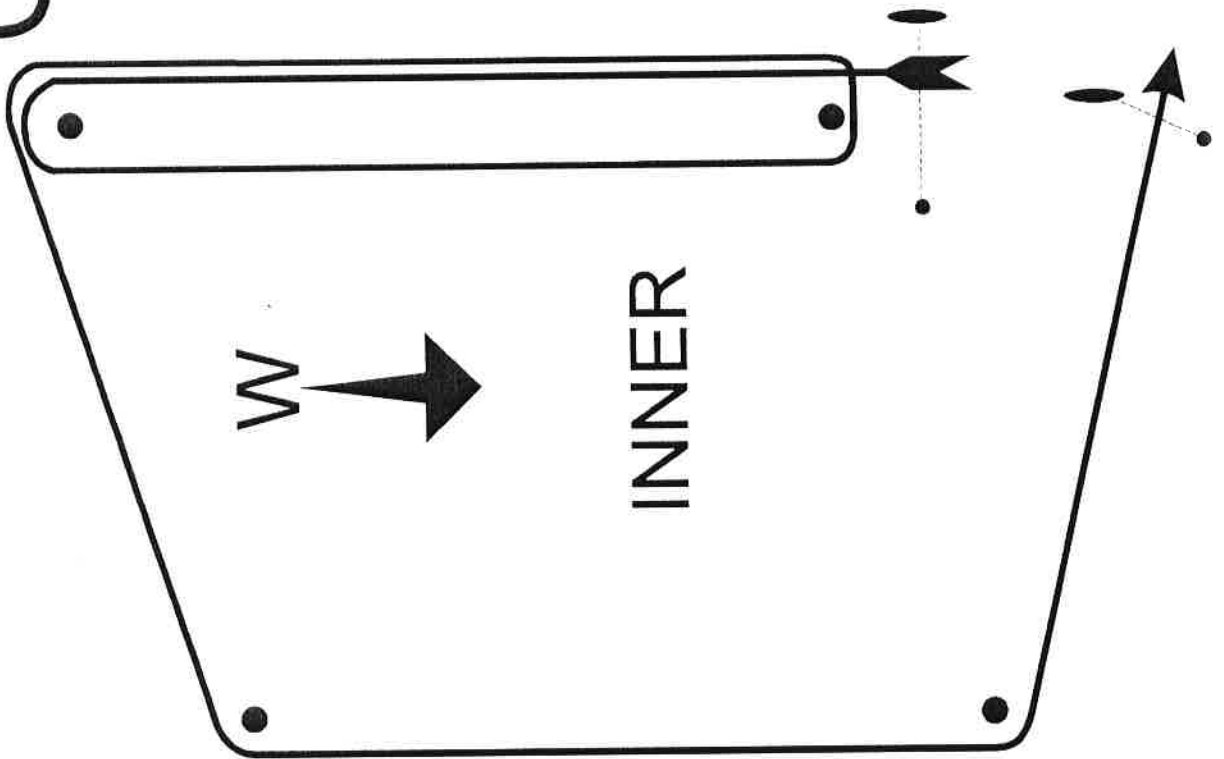
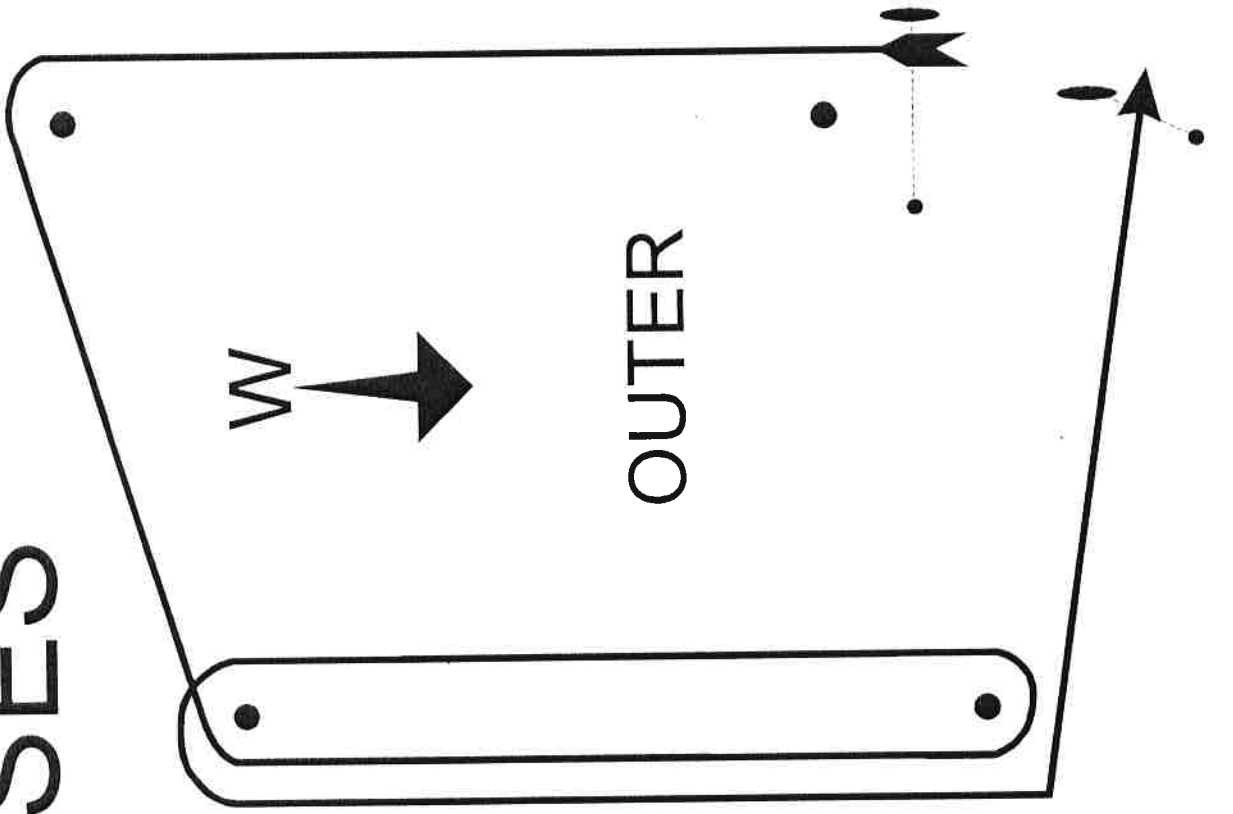
App.1 - Courses

App.2 - Racing Areas

App.3 - Location of ONB, OFP and the offices

APPENDIX 1

# COURSES



# APPENDIX 2

