

MELGES 24 CLASS
PÄRNU OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS
25-26.09.2010
Pärnu Yacht Club Pärnu, Estonia

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES.

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising will conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display identification numbers and sponsors advertising for the duration of the event in accordance with ISAF regulation 20.4. These items will be supplied free of charge by the Organizing Authority at registration.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Championship is open to all boats of the Melges 24 class that meet with the obligations of the Class Rules and their National Authority, in the case that a National Authority exists.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form on the 25th of September 2010, 1,5 h before the first start. First start will be 12:00, 25.09.2010.
- 3.3 Entries will not be valid until payment is received and confirmed by the OA.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The Entry Fee will be 100€. This Entry Fee includes launching at commencement and recovery at conclusion of the Regatta at designated times, berthing for the event, trailer storage.
- 4.2. Entry Fee will be paid in cash.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Registration 25th of September 2010 09.30-10.30
- 5.2 Pärnu Open Championship racing schedule
Competitors Meeting on Saturday the 25th of September 2010 at 10.30 (Skippers meeting)
All Boats shall be afloat by Saturday the 25th of September 10.00
Saturday the 25th of September 2010 warning signal at 11.55
Sunday the 26th of September 2010 warning signal at 09.55
- 5.3 Seven (7) races are scheduled for Pärnu Open Championship
- 5.4 The O.A. and/or the R.C. reserve the right to modify the program due to weather conditions or other causes.
- 5.5 There will be no warning signal on the 26th of September after 16.00 hours.

6. MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1. There will be no facilities for initial measurements.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available after final registration of each boat.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 Event will take place on Pärnu River and bay of Pärnu.

9. THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be windward-leeward configuration with fleet racing.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
10.2 Rule 'Appendix P' (Special Procedures for Rule 42) shall apply.

11. SCORING

11.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 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.

13. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

13.1 All boats are to be afloat by 10:00 hours on Saturday the 25st of September.

13.3 Boats shall be kept on the assigned pontoons in the harbor. Fenders and mooring lines will be required.

14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

15. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

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

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

It would be good to have a radio to communicate between/with the RC.

17. PRIZES

The prizes will be given as follows:

Overall Prizes

Helmsman and each crew member for the top three (3) boats.

18. 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.

19. INSURANCE

The boat is required to hold adequate third-party insurance, and it is the owner or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate.

21 TELEVISION & PHOTOGRAPHERS' RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

22 GPS TRACKING DEVICE

The OA may require that some or all boats shall carry gps-tracking device onboard.

23 CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority may change the Notice of Race; see rule 89.2(a). Any such changes will be posted on the web site www.puri.ee and www.jahtklubi.ee

24 FURTHER INFORMATION and KEY CONTACTS

For further information about the Pärnu Open Championship please contact:

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