Audi MELGES 20

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2014

FRAGLIA VELA RIVA | RIVA DEL GARDA

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August 25th – 30th

NOTICE OF RACE

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES & VENUE
1.1 The Organizing Authority are:
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1.2 Dockage for all competitors shall be at Fraglia della Vela Riva

2. RULES
2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
2.2 The International Audi Melges 20 Class Rules (IAM20CR), including Part 3, Section I (EVENT RULES), will apply except as specifically changed in the Notice of Race (NOR) or in the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
2.3 In accordance with rule G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the Class Rules.
2.4 IAM20CR I.2 **(SAIL LIMITATION MARKS)** will apply.
2.5 IAM20CR I.3.1 shall apply, so Racing Rules of Sailing
(a) RRS 44.1(a) and 44.2 are changed as so the penalty shall be a one turn penalty including one tack and one gybe.
(b) In the case of a protest, the representative from each yacht that attends the protest in the protest room shall be the owner or the Category 1 driver. Category 2 or 3 sailors are not allowed in the protest room or to be in contact with the representative in the protest room.
(c) The Low Point System of Appendix 'A' will apply.
2.6 IAM20CR I.3.3. Wind Speeds shall apply.
(a) Races will not be started when the race committee deems that winds are consistently at or above 23 knots or gusting to 25 knots and above. If a race has been started and the wind increases to 23 knots and above, it remains at the discretion of the race committee whether or not to abandon the race.
Races will not be started unless winds are consistently above 4 knots at the time of the start.
2.7 IAM20CR I.4 (OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE) shall apply
2.8 In order to quicken the protest's procedure on the last day of racing, any hearing will take place on the umpire boat following the same procedures as per match race, team racing and medal race.
Further details will be communicated through the SIs.
2.9 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
2.10 Where there is a conflict between this NOR and the SIs, the SIs shall prevail.
2.11 Where there is a conflict between this NOR and the NOR of the Audi Tron Sailing Series, this NOR shall prevail.

3. ADVERTISING
3.1 Competitor advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules C.4.1.
3.2 Boats may be required to display identification numbers and sponsors advertising for the duration of the event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4. The flag and the stickers shall be displayed beginning Monday, August 24 through Saturday, August 30, 2014. The correct display of the above is explained in the ***Appendix 1 of Audi Tron Sailing Series 2014 NOR.***
3.2 The Organizing Authority may ask competitors to install/carry on board electronic devices destinated to media coverage of the event.
3.3 The event organizing authority may provide any team during any stage with an electric outboard engine. Its use is mandatory during the days of competition.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
4.1 The race is open to all boats of the International Melges 20 Class Association.
4.2 All the boat owners and alternate drivers must comply with requirements of the Class Rules IM20CR Part II.C.2.
4.3 All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF Eligibility Rules, ISAF Sailor Classification Code and Melges 20 Class Rules. As per Class Rule C.2, IAM20CA delegated to a Classification Code Committee the authority in determining a helmsman's status within the spirit of the Class rules.
4.4 Each entry shall submit a completed Entry Form by registering online via the link at the event website www.audimelges20worlds.com and pay the entry fee no later than August 18th, 2014. Entries received after that date will be accepted only with the prior approval of the organizing authority and shall be assessed a late fee in accordance with NOR 5.2.
Original signatures shall be provided at registration.

4.5 Registrations shall be finalyzed to the Race Office by 15.00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 26th 2014.
The registation is considered valid after the delivery of:

- Entry form signed in original
- Regatta Disclaimer signed in original
- Italian Sailing Federation ID with renewed medical visit (Italian sailors only)
- Entry Fee Payment
- Valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of € 1.000.000,00 per event or the equivalent if expressed in other currency
- Italian Sailing Federation Advertising Authorization (Italian boats only)
- Sail Declaration Form (Appendix 2 of IAM20CR)
- Equipment Self Check List

Late registration may be allowed only with the prior approval of the OA.

5 ENTRY FEE

5.1 The entry Fee is 700€ and shall includes

- Launching
- Hauling
- Hospitality & docking
- Van & Trailer parking throughout the event (from Friday, August 22nd to Monday, September 1st)
- Social events after races

5.2 Any entry received after 18th August 2014, will be assessed a late fee of €100.
5.3 Teams are responsible for any costs associated with launching and hauling, trailer storage, and car parking other than that described in NOR.

6 PROGRAM

6.1 Event Schedule

Monday, August 25th
09.00-18.00 Registrations & measurement controls
Tuesday, August 26th
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15.00 Closure of Registrations
15.00 All competitors must be afloat by this time
15.00 Practice Racing, First Warning
18.30 Competitors Briefing
Wednesday, August 27th
12.30 First Warning Signal
Thursday, August 28th
TBC Races
Friday
TBC Races
Saturday
TBC Races
TBC Prizegiving

6.2 the estimated time of the first warning signal will be posted on the official Notice Board by 8.00 p.m. of the previous day. If no notice is displayed, the starting time will be the same as day before.
6.3 Up to ten (10) races are scheduled.
6.4 A maximum of three races may be run on any day.
6.5 On the last day of the regatta no Warning Signal will be displayed after 3.25 p.m.
6.6 The social event program will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
6.7 Further events with separate ranking will be organized. Specific announcements will be posted on the Notice of Board.
6.8 IT IS MANDATORY that at least 2 crew members attend the prizegiving.
In case of absence, PENALTIES will be applied having effect on the Results of the Circuit as specified in ***Appendix 2 of Audi Tron Sailing Series 2014 NOR***
6.9 The hauling-out list for Saturday will be published on the Notice of Board by Friday 8.30 p.m.
For the correct procedure please refer to **Appendix 3** ***of Audi Tron Sailing Series 2014 NOR.***

7. MEASUREMENTS

7.1 All competitors shall observe class measurements rules. There might be measurements checks before that start as well as during the event.
7.2 The OA and/or Class Association representative may weigh, measure, or inspect any boat and/or her equipment and sails at any time before or after she is racing.
7.3 Every sails should have valid certification marks (Class rule B.1.1 & G.2.2.a). Sails that do have not a valid certification mark, may be fully measured only before or after the scheduled equipment control time, if an official measurer
will be available; owners will be charged for this certifications.
7.4 There may be the following control checks:

- Sail dimensions
- Corrector Weight
- Anti-hiking straps
- Safety Equipment
- Random Measurement Checks

7.5 A schedule of measurements will be posted on the Noticer Board
The schedule is subject to change. Changes will be announced via email and posted on the Notice Board.
7.6 The official measurer, the ICA the MNA or the ISAF may use destructive testing to determine compliance with construction and/or Class rules.

8 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

8.1 All boats shall be launched before 15.00 hours on Tuesday August 26th.
8.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the RC.
8.3 The Organizing Authority may impose haul-out restrictions.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available upon registration at the Race Office of each Yacht Club.

10 VENUE

Racing will take place in the waters adjacent to Riva del Gard as per the Sailing Instructions.

11 COURSE

11.1 The courses to be sailed will be a windward/leeward configuration as described in the SIs.

12. SCORING

12.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix 'A' will apply *[Rif. IAM20CR I.3.1(c)]*.

12.2 Only when 6 races have been completed, the worst score will be discarded *[Rif. IAM20CR I.3.2 (b) & (c)]*.

12.3 One (1) race is required to be for the regatta to be scored as single Event.

13 PRIZES

At each single event prizes will be awarded to:

- First 5 classified boats of the Event
- First classified boat with whole Corinthian Crew
- First classified in any single race of the Event
- Additional prizes at the discretion of the OA

14 VHF

14.1 During the starting procedure, in addition to sound and flag signals, the Race Committee may use VHF channel 72 to call out OCS sail numbers or bow numbers. The use of VHF radio communication or failure to do so by the RC, shall not be considered a valid reason for protest or request of redress in any case.

14.2 A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and any other device

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death occurring in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16 BOATS SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS

16.1 Please refer to IM20CR part III I.4

Support/Coach boats shall credit at the Registration Office leaving complete contacts and shall collect the identification flag to be displayed, as per SI.

The Class also requires that all Support boats agree to be available for boat & people rescue at any time, and without hesitating should offer thier assistance to any boat that might require it, that is disabled or sinking.

17 INSURANCE

17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of € 1.000.000,00 per event or the equivalent if expressed in other currency. Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.

18. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

18.1 Each boat attending the Event shall respect the dockage indicated by the OA at the Fraglia Vela Riva Yacht Club every day before & after races.

19. CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE

19.1 The organization reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race in accordance with rule 89.2 (a).

20. MEDIA RIGHTS

20.1 Each participant shall acknowledge that all media and commercial rights belong exclusively to the OA and the IAM20CA and shall grant to the OA and IAM20CA the unrestricted right and permission to use and publish any biographical information, text and images arising from the Championship including name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media worldwide (being television, print and digital media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the Melges 20 World Championship and the participants in the regatta. The OA will exercise these rights in its sole discretion or as it may agree with the event sponsors. Unless previously authorized by the OA or IAM20CA, participants shall not reproduce, publicly communicate or distribute images of the race in any way or form.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

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