

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Gargnano, 24 – 26 September 2021

DATE	TIME	DESCRIPTION
Wen. 22 September	09:00 - 18:00	Crane launch & Preliminary Inspections
Thur. 23 September	09:00 - 18:00	Crane launch & Preliminary Inspections Withdrawal of advertising materials
Fri. 24 September	09:00 - 10:30	Crane launch & Preliminary Inspections Withdrawal of advertising materials
	11:00	Skipper Briefing
	13:00	Intended First Warning Signal
Sat 25 September	Tbd	First Warning Signal
Sun. 26	Tbd	First Warning Signal

1 - RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as per Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2021- 2024 of the World Sailing, the Prescription of the Italian Sailing Federation if approved by W/S, Appendix T Arbitration as per SI #14 and RRS 40 when so decided by RC.

1.2 The races activities must be carried out in accordance with the provisions on contrast and containment of the diffusion of COVID 19 issued by the Italian Sailing Federation that the Organizing Committees will implement and to which the participating members must comply under the supervision of the Organizing Committee itself.

1.3 In case of conflict between NoR and SI, the Italian version of NoR, SI and Prescriptions and following Notices will prevail (this changes RRS 63.7).

1.4 Recorded video and images from any source: media or support boat, or data/video of positioning electronic devices (tracking) cannot be used as evidence during the hearings and shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rule 63.6.

1.5 Add to rule 41 Outside Help: (e) Help to recover from the water and return on board any person overboard, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

2 - NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted online on the Official Notice Board www.racingrulesofsailing.org. Competitors are expected to check the board before/after racing and when new notices will be signaled.

All communications to the competitors and between the competitors to OA or RC or Jury shall be done exclusively, also in compliance with sanitary regulations in force, using the site web: <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/2436/event> included Official Notice Board (ONB) which will be virtual. See QR Code:

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To guarantee such communications, the entry form has to be completely filled including the phone number and the mail address of each crew member. In applications of above point 1, all communications between the competitors and OA, RC or Jury (i.e. protests and requests of redress, acknowledgement of penalty, demands to change equipment or crew, etc.) shall be done by such web site. Its use does not change the obligations, signals and the timings of RRS.

3 -CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour before the first start of the day, except that any changes 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 on the official flagpole located nearby the Race Office.

4.2 When flag AP (Answering Pennant) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 40 minutes".

Flag AP over H displayed ashore means: "THE START IS POSTPONED, BOATS SHALL NOT LEAVE THE HARBOUR".

5- SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The scheduled time of the Warning Signal for the first race on Friday 24 September is at 13:00.

The Warning Signal time for the next days will be posted online on the Official Notice Board by 8pm of the day before.

5.2 Up to 9 races will be held, a maximum of 3 races per day will be run. It is possible to run a 4th race in the same day only if the programme is anticipated no more than one time or to recover a race not carried out before.

5.3 The RC will broadcast safety and racing information on VHF channel **12**.

5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:30.

6 - CLASS FLAG

The Class flag will be the RS21 CUP flag.

7 - RACING AREA

The course will be located in front of Gargnano.

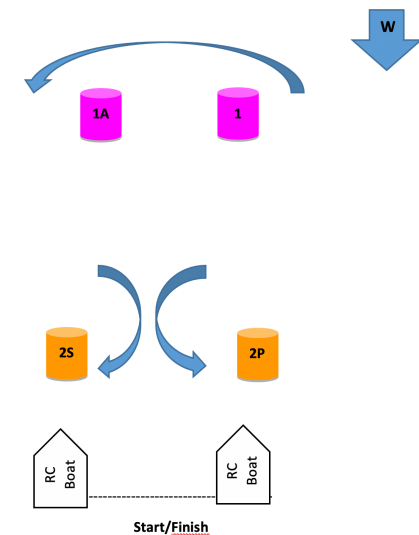
8 – COURSE

8.1 The Windward mark and the offset marks shall be left to port.

8.2 If one of the gate marks (Mark 2S or Mark 2P) will not be present, a single Mark 2 shall be rounded to port.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal vessel may display the approx. compass bearing of the first leg.

8.4 Course: **Start-1-1A-gate (2S/2P)-1-1A-Finish.**



9 - MARKS

9.1 Course mark 1 and 1a will be fuchsia buoys, 2S and 2P will be orange buoys. The Starting marks will be the RC vessels displaying Orange flags, the Finishing marks will be the RC vessels displaying Blue flags. The pin end boat could be replaced with an orange buoy.

10 - AREA THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Any area designated as obstruction will be signaled on the Notice Board.

11 - THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at starboard end and, at the port end, a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel or the course side of a buoy as per SI 9.1.

11.2 RC may communicate by radio VHF individual recalls. Boat numbers, sail numbers or boat names may be used for identification. Delays in broadcasting, the order in which they are made, omission or failure in the emission or reception shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This modifies rule 62.1(a). This rule does not reduce, modify or exonerate each boat's responsibility to start in accordance within the rules.

11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

12 - CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

12.2 In case of a course change on a windward leg, the new mark will be

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a yellow buoy.

12.3 Offset mark 1a will not be positioned in case of a change of course on a windward leg.

If the RC decides to change the position of the leeward mark (gate), the new mark will be only one yellow mark, and this shall be left to port.

13 - THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying Blue Flags on the RC vessels or a staff displaying a Blue Flag on the RC vessel and the course side of the finishing pin mark as per SI 9.1.

14 - PENALTY SYSTEM AND ARBITRATION

14.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to read: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2, rule 31 or Class rule C9.4 and C3.3 while racing". However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 of RRS while in the zone around a mark, other than a starting mark, or the RRS 20 in any area of the course, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

14.2 Unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg shall be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes rule 44.2.

14.3 Appendix P (Special Procedures for Rule 42) will apply. Rule P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. The penalty under rule P2.1 is changed to be a one-turn penalty. This changes RRS Appendix P.

14.4 RRS 60.1 is replaced with: "A boat may protest another boat or request redress provided she acts in accordance with SI 14.7, 14.8 or 14.10."

14.5 Rule 43.1(a) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting sailing instruction.

14.6 When Appendix T will be applied on the water no kind of document will be produced by the parties and by the Arbitrator. Decision to accept a post-race penalty and/or to withdraw a protest will be final and no further action shall be permitted.

14.7 During the race, a boat may protest another boat for an alleged breach of an RRS of Part 2 (except RRS 14) or RRS 31 or 42; however, a boat may protest under a Part 2 RRS only for an incident in which she is involved. This changes RRS 60.1.

The protestor shall hail "Protest" and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. The red flag shall be positioned on one of the vertical sections of the "motor crane" pipe. The top of the flag will be at not more than 15 cm below the top of the curved section. The use of any other flag shall not be valid for protest purposes. The flag will be removed before (or at the first reasonable opportunity after) the boat involved in the incident has voluntarily taken a penalty or after the decision of an umpire (green or red flag).

14.8 A boat protesting as provided in instruction 14.7 is entitled to a hearing if the umpires acknowledge her protest by displaying a "blue" flag, or there is no signal from the umpires and no penalty is taken by the protested boat.

A boat involved in an incident will be able to acknowledge that she has broken a rule by taking a penalty as per SI 14.1.

If the protested boat does not take a penalty voluntarily, an umpire will decide whether to penalize any boat and signal the decision.

14.9 At the end of the race, the RC will display flag B with one sound. Two minutes later flag B will be removed with one sound.

14.10 A boat which intends to

(a) protest another boat according to a RRS other than rules listed in SI 14.7;

(b) protest another boat for a breach of RRS 14 (in case of contact with damage or injury);

(c) request for redress,

(d) protest a boat after the umpires have answered her protest with a "Blue" flag, or

(e) protest a boat after there was no signal from the umpires and no penalty taken by the protested boat shall keep the protest flag displayed until she has informed the RC before or during the display of the "B" flag by hail or VHF call. The same time limit applies to any protests initiated by the PC based on SI 14.15. The Protest Committee (PC) can extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so. The RC will promptly notify the PC of any protests or requests of redress received as per SI 14.10.

14.11 An umpire will signal a decision as follows:

(a) "GREEN AND WHITE" (or GREEN) flag with a long sound means "No penalty";

(b) "RED" flag with one long sound means "One Turn Penalty" or with two long sounds means "Two Turns Penalty" to one or more boats. The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.

(c) "BLACK" flag with a long sound means "A boat is disqualified". The umpire will hail or signal to identify the disqualified boat.

(d) "BLUE" flag with one long sound signal means "The umpires do not have the facts required to make a decision".

14.12 A boat penalized according to SI 14.11(b) shall take a penalty in accordance with SI 14.1 and RRS 44.2. A boat disqualified under SI 14.11(c) shall promptly leave the course area.

14.13 When a boat:

(a) breaks RRS 31 and does not take a penalty,

(b) breaks RRS 42,

(c) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,

(d) deliberately brakes a rule,

(e) commits a breach of sportsmanship,

(f) fails to comply with SI 14.11(b) or to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire.

(g) breaks Class Rule C10.1 (Bowsprit),

(h) breaks Class rule C3.3 (Crew Positioning),

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat.

14.14 The umpire may impose one or more One-Turn Penalties to be taken as described in rule 44.2, each signaled in accordance with SI 14.11(b), or disqualify her under SI 14.11(c), or report the incident to

the Protest Committee for further action. If a boat is penalized under SI 14.12(f) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.

14.15 An umpire who decides, based on his own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than SI 14.12 or a rule listed in SI 14.7, may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3. However, he will not inform the PC of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

14.16 No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire. A boat may not base an appeal on an alleged improper action, omission or decision of the umpires on the water. Protests and requests for redress as per SI 14.10 need to be in writing if Appendix T will not be applied on the water.

14.17 SI 14 changes RRS 43, 44, 60, 61, 63, 65, 66, 70, Appendix P, Appendix T.

15 - TIME LIMIT

15.1 Boats failing to finish within twenty minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes from her starting signal the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

16 - PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protests and requests of redress, acknowledgement of penalty, requests to change equipment or crew, must be requested online on the website www.racingrulesofsailing.org by the proper time limit.

16.2 The time limit for protest and redress request is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing for today, whichever is later. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee, Protest Committee and Technical Committee about incidents they observe on the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

16.3 Notices will be posted online possibly within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

16.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest / Technical Committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16.5 Breaches of instructions 21, 24, 25 and 28 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches shall be less than disqualification if the protest committee decides so.

16.6 The protest time limit for WS Sailor Categorization will be the protest time limit of the first racing day.

16.7 Protests shall be discussed at the Jury room at the Yacht Club Gargnano.

17 - SCORING

17.1 One (1) race is needed to validate the event for the Italian RS21 Cup.

When less than 5 races have been sailed, a boat's score will be the total of

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her race scores. When five or more races have been sailed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

17.2 The general classification of Gargnano is valid for the assignment of the RS 21 Italian Championship. According to FIV Regulations only boats with entire Italian crew will compete for the award of the Title.

The title will be awarded if a minimum of 4 valid races will be held and with the presence of at least 10 Italian boats.

18 - SAFETY REGULATIONS

In the best interests of safety, all competitors who retires shall inform, by any possible system, either the RC boat on the water or the Race Office as soon as they return ashore. The Jury may take disciplinary action if this is not respected.

19 - REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the Race Committee by the website www.racingrulesofsailing.org.

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 - EQUIPMENTS AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or its 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 Technical Committee or Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. The area designated is called "BRAVO"; the dimension of area BRAVO is 300X50m and it is positioned starboard of the Race Committee.

21 - EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display sail numbers, event advertising (see NoR #15 and NoR Annex 1) and identification stickers supplied by Organizing Authority as follows:

21.1 The sail number on the mainsail must correspond to the boat number. Penalty for non-compliance will be at the discretion of the Jury.

21.2 Competitors shall display the numbered stickers originally given by the LIC (Licensors) on each side of the hull. Penalty for non-compliance will be at Jury discretion.

Competitors shall display, as requested by OA, the flags and stickers provided by the organizer from the previous day and up to the end of the event. Penalty for non-compliance will be at Jury discretion.

22 - OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified as follows:

Race Committee: Circolo Vela Gargnano vessel

Jury Boat with flag with "J"

Measurer: White Flag "M"

Press Boat: white flag with "P"

23 - SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be registered and identified by the Yacht Club flag (white flag with a blu S) provided by the Club.

24 - TRASH

Trash shall remain onboard until the end of the last race of the day. A penalty for breaking rule 47 is at Jury discretion.

25 - HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with a prior written permission of the Race Committee.

26 - RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive voice or data communications not available to all other boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones and any other similar device.

27 - MOORINGS

Will be included in the entry fee from Wednesday 22 September to Sunday 26 September. Boats are moored under the responsibility of each skipper.

28 - PRIZE GIVING

28.1 Prize giving will take place in Circolo Vela Gargnano, when possible after the finish of the last race and in accordance with the provisions of point C.16 of the Italian Sailing Federation "Protocol". At least one person per boat must be present at the prize giving, boats failing to be represented by her crew members can be penalized (see NoR #5.8).

28.2 As stated in the NoR (#11) the following prizes will be awarded: the top three boats in the event ranking and the first three Corinthian crews. For the RS21 CUP 2021 circuit the top five boats of the general classification will be awarded and the top three Corinthian boats. The first all Italian crew of the Italian Championship will be awarded the title of RS21 Italian Champion. The first all Italian Corinthian crew of the Italian Championship will be awarded the title of RS21 Italian National Corinthian Champion 2021.

29 - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, the Racing Committee and the Protest Committee 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.

30 - INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of € 1.500.000,00, or the equivalent if expressed in a different currency. The insurance must include the extension for the race. Proof of valid insurance certificate shall be provided upon registration.

31 - MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

24.1 The OA may require media personnel, equipment and electronic devices to be carried on board at any time.

24.2 The position of these personnel equipment will be determined by the RC and may be advised verbally.

The Organization Authorities shall have the right to use any image, sound record and navigation data.

Abb: OA-Organising Authority, RC-Race Committee, J/PC - Jury