



**MELGES 14  
BRACCIANO CUP  
2022 JULY 16-17  
PLANET SAIL BRACCIANO**



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)**

**1 RULES**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

**1.2** Italian crews shall be FIV members and have a valid medical certificate.

FIV Rules state that children who have not yet turned 12, on the date of the first race, cannot be taken on board the boats during the races.

**1.3** Recorded video and images from any boat support, press, media and / or support boat, or data / video of positioning electronic devices cannot be used as evidence during the hearings and may not be a reason for redress request. This changes the RRS 60.1(b) - 63.6.

**1.4** In case of conflict between the Italian Version and English Version, the English version shall prevail.

**1.5 CODE OF CONDUCT - professional foul.**

Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official, organizing committee member, Class official and other competitors, including the participation as party or witnesses in protest hearing or investigations.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official online notice board <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/4402/event>

**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** Signal made ashore will be displayed at the flag-pole located **near the Race Office at the Regatta Village.**

**4.2** (a) When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" (change Race Signal "AP").

(b) When together with the signal as per SI 4.2(a) the letter "H" is displayed the competitors are forbidden to leave the dock until the signal is lowered.

**4.3** RRS 40.1 applies at all times while afloat.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

**5.1** Event Schedule:

**Friday**

09.00 - 18.00: Registration & Measurements

**Saturday**

11.00: Skipper Briefing

13.00: First Warning Signal

**Sunday**

Races (No INITIAL Warning after 15.00)

**5.2** Number of races:

A maximum of **6 races** are planned. A maximum of 3 races are planned on each sailing day.

**5.3** The scheduled time of warning signal for the first race of Day 1 is **13:00**.**5.4** Spare**5.5** On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after **17:30**.**6 CLASS FLAG**

Class Flag will be the "Melges 14" Flag.

**7 RACING AREAS**

Races will be held in the water in front of the town hosting the event.

**8 THE COURSES****8.1** (a) Course 1 (ISC Pennant n.1)

Start - W - WO – Start - W – WO – Start buoy - Finish.

## (b) Course 2 (ISC Pennant n.2)

Start - W – WO – GS/GP - W – WO – Start buoy – Finish.

**8.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course number and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.**8.3** Spare**8.4 Starting/Finishing Line**

(a) The starting line will be a straight line between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC starting boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC pin-end vessel or the course side of the starting/finishing mark, as described in SI 9.4.

(b) The finishing line will be a straight line between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and the finishing mark.

(c) A buoy may be attached to the RC boat anchor line just below keel depth. Boats shall not pass between this buoy and the RC boat at any time. This buoy is part of the RC boat ground tackle.

**9 MARKS****9.1** Mark W will be cylindrical inflatable **yellow** buoy. Mark WO will be cylindrical inflatable **yellow** buoy.**9.2** The starting Mark will be cylindrical inflatable **yellow** buoy. The finish Mark will be a **yellow** pin.**9.3** All the marks, except the gate, and the finish, shall be left to port.**9.4** New Mark will be a cylindrical inflatable **orange** buoy**10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing forbidden area will be notified on the Official Online Notice Board.

When these areas are notified, they will be considered "obstruction" as per definition & related application of RRS 19 & 20.

**11 THE START****11.1** Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.**11.2** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DID NOT START without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 e A5.**12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay new marks as per 9.4 (or move the gate and/or the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. Offset mark will not be re-located.

Any change to the position of the gate or the finish line will be signaled at mark W or WO. That change is in effect from the last windward mark to the gate or the finish.

If the Race Committee decides to change the position of the leeward marks (gate), the original gate marks will be relocated. If the Leeward mark is to be only one mark, this mark shall be left to port; this mark is not considered a gate and RRS 18.4 will apply.

When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes the Definition of Sail the Course.
- 12.3 Except at the gate, a race committee boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2 and RRS 18.4 will apply to that race committee boat and the nearby mark.
- 12.4 When at the gate a race committee boat is signaling a change of a leg of the course at the gate and there is only one leeward mark:
- (a) if that RC boat is not displaying Mike flag, that race committee boat and the leeward mark are not a gate and RRS 18.4 will apply.
  - (b) if that RC boat is displaying Mike flag, that race committee boat and the leeward mark are a gate and RRS 18.4 will NOT apply.

This changes RRS 28.2.

### 13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed as so the penalty shall be a One-turn penalty including one tack and one gybe.

**RRS 44.1 is changed to read:**

44.1 Taking a Penalty

(a) A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing and/or rule 31 and/or rule 42.

(b) However, if a boat caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.

**RRS 44.2 is changed to read:**

44.2 One-Turn penalty

After getting well clear of other boats as soon after the incident as possible, a boat takes a One-Turn Penalty by promptly making the required turn in the same direction, including one tack and one gybe. However, unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties within the zone of the windward mark or penalties on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. When a boat takes the penalty at or near the finishing line, she shall sail completely to the course side of the line before finishing

### 14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Time limits and target time are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Target Time</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Time Limit for Mark 1</i>
Melges 14	35-50'	60'	15'

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This change RRS 60,1(b).

**14.2** The boats not finishing within 15' from the finish of the first boat, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This change RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**15.1** (a) Protest forms are available online

Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate

time limit.

(b) 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.

**15.2** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

Hearings will be held in the protest room, located nearby the Regatta Village

**15.3** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

**15.4** If the Protest Committee decides that a breach of a *rule* has had no significant effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty or make any other arrangement it decides is fair for all boats affected, which may be to impose no penalty.

This change RRS 64.1.

**15.5** On the last scheduled racing day a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

(a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.

(b) no later than 5 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

**15.6** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 5 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

**15.7** Appendix T applies.

## **16 SCORING**

**16.1** The scoring system will be the Low Point scoring system.

**16.2** One (1) race is needed for the regatta to be scored as a single event.

**16.3** (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17.2 Boats not leaving the harbor for the races of the day (DNC) shall inform the race office as soon as possible.

17.3 Boats not starting or retiring from a race (DNS, DNF) shall inform the race office or the race committee as soon as possible.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

**18.1** 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.

## **19 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 a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

**20 EVENT ADVERTISING**

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority as per Appendix 1 of Notice of Race.

**21 OFFICIAL BOATS**

The official boats will be identified by displaying flags as follows:

Race Committee Boat	Yacht Club flag
Measurer Boat	White flag with a "M"
Media Boat	Flag with a "P"

**22 SUPPORT BOATS**

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, except in the case of an emergency at the request of the Race Committee.

**23 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash shall remain onboard until the end of the last race of the day but to throw the trash on the water will be considered a breach even between races.

**24 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, 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.

**25 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as per Notice of Race.

**26 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, 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.

**27 MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND**

- (a) The OA may require media personnel, equipment and electronic devices to be carried on board at any time.
- (b) The position of these personnel and equipment will be determined by the RC and may be advised verbally.
- (c) The OA shall have the right to use any image, sound recorded and navigation data.

**The Race Committee**

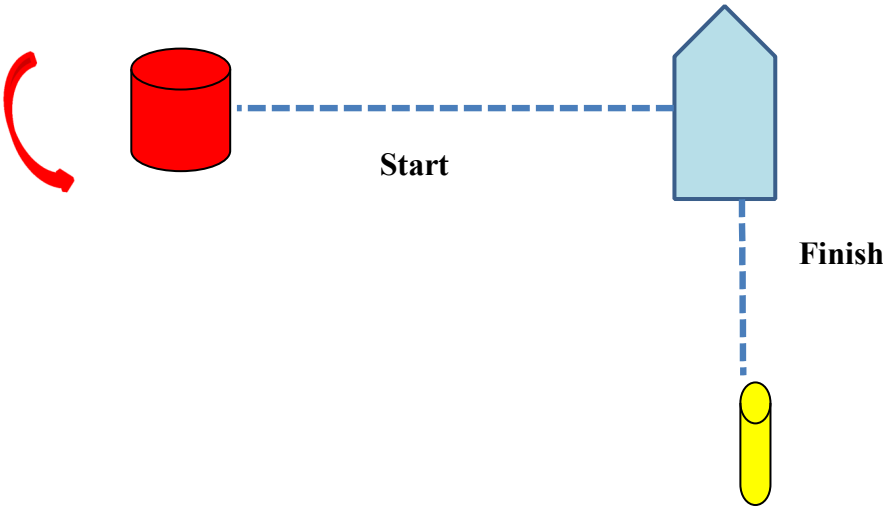
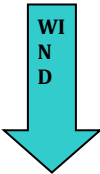
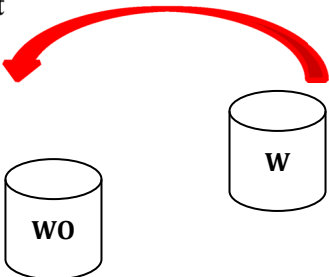
# Appendix A

SCHEMATIC DRAWING OF THE COURSE. THE DISTANCES AND IN SCALE.

MARK POSITIONS ARE NOT

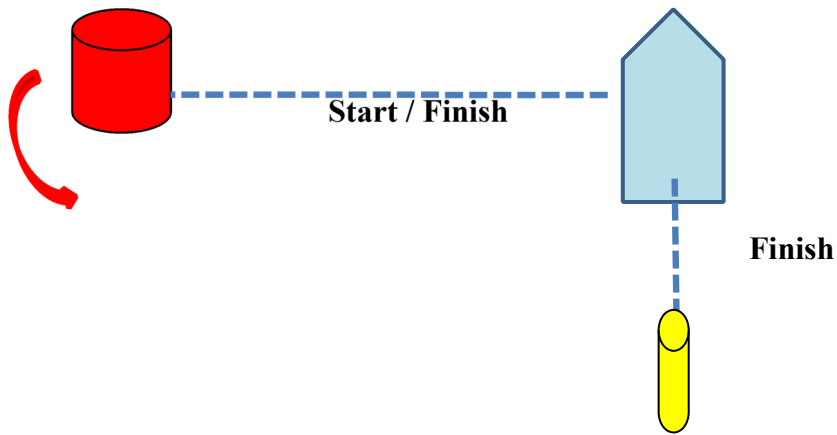
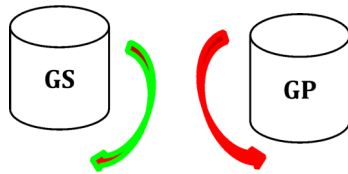
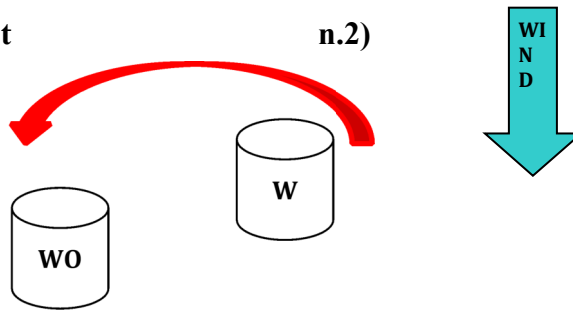
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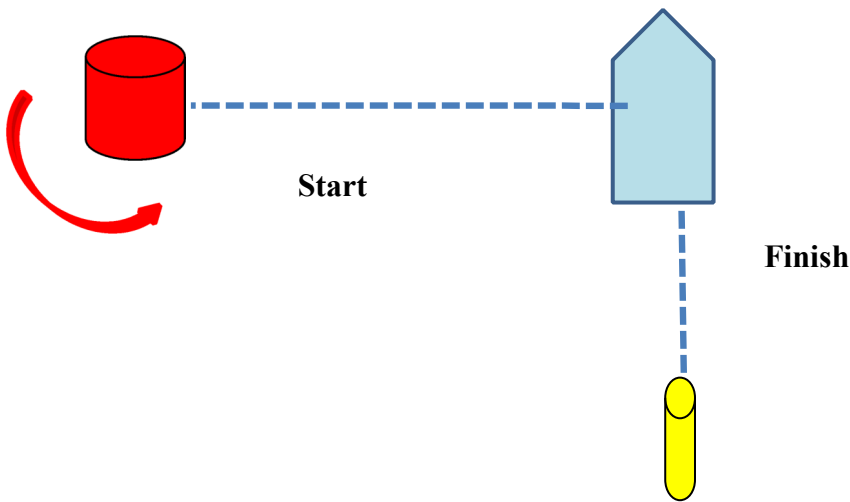
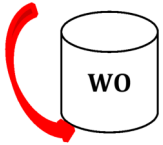
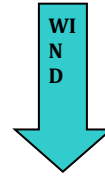
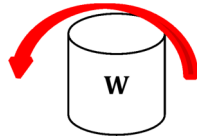


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