



ILCA YOUTH EASTER MEETING
Fraglia Vela Malcesine
27/03/2024 – 30/03/2024
Navene - Malcesine, Italy

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

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1. RULES

1.1 If there is a conflict between the NoR and the SIs, the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. COMMUNICATIONS AND IMPORTANT LOCATIONS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online on the ONB located at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/7695/event?name=ilca-youth-easter-meeting>.

2.2 The important locations:

	LOCATION
Official flagpole	Next to the restaurant – lake side (See Addendum 1)
Race Office	See Addendum 1
Hearing Room	Room n. 4 – next to the Race Office

2.3 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

3. CODE OF CONDUCT

3.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4. FLEET IDENTIFICATION

4.1 If a fleet is split into groups, the class flag for each group will be the class flag with a coloured flag corresponding to the group colour.

4.2 While racing in split fleets, each boat shall display a coloured ribbon corresponding to the fleet in which she has been assigned. The ribbon shall be placed on the top of the mast. The OA will supply ribbons at the time of the registration. See Addendum 4 and 5.

5. CHANGES TO SIs

5.1 Any change to the SIs will be posted two hours before the warning signal of the race 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.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located next to the restaurant.

6.2 A boat shall not leave the shore until flag D (with one sound signal) is displayed. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is displayed.

7. RACING FORMAT

7.1 See Rule 8 in NoR.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration (See Rule 9.1 in NoR).

8.2 Dates of racing and number of races. See Rule 9.3 in NoR.

8.3 On the first day of racing the skippers meeting will be at 11.00.

8.4 See Rule 9.4 in NoR.

8.5 See Rule 9.5 in NoR.

8.6 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

8.7 See Rule 9.6 in NoR.

8.8 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

9. CLASS FLAGS

9.1 ILCA 6: Class flag (green flag with Ilca or Laser logo)
ILCA 4: Class flag (yellow flag with Ilca or Laser logo)

10. RACING AREAS

10.1 Before the starting signal, the racing area is the area within 100 metres of the starting line. After the starting signal, the racing area is defined as an area extending 100 meters beyond the entire course in which a boat would normally sail while racing.

10.2 [DP] Boats not racing shall avoid the racing area.

10.3 SIs Addendum 2 shows the racing area.

11. COURSES

11.1 SIs Addendum 3 shows the course diagram.

11.2 ILCA 6 course will be the Outer Loop, ILCA 4 course will be the Inner Loop, except if the RC designates the course otherwise. In such a case, before or with the warning signal for a fleet, the RC may display on a board on the RC boat as follows:

- **Outer Loop:** numeral pennant 1 or panel with an "O"
- **Inner Loop:** numeral pennant 2 or panel with an "I"

11.3 The course may be shortened to finish at any mark, provided that three or more legs will have been sailed.

11.4 When one gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port until the mark is replaced with a boat displaying flag M, or a new mark.

11.5 Gate marks 3 and 4 and the mark 5 may be laid after the start.

12. MARKS

12.1 The colour of the inflatable marks will be as follows:

- Marks 1, 4s, 4p: YELLOW ROBOTIC
- Marks 2, 3s, 3p: ORANGE
- Mark 5: YELLOW
- Finishing mark: small RED or a rib with a blue flag

13. START

13.1 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

13.2 The starting line will be between the staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.

13.3 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during start sequences for other fleets.

13.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored did not start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

13.5 Races will be started according to RRS 26 and as changed below:

MINUTES BEFORE STARTING SIGNAL	VISUAL SIGNAL	SOUND SIGNAL	MEANS
5	Warning up	One	Warning signal
4	Preparatory up (U or Black)	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory down	One	One minute
0	Warning down	One	Starting signal

13.6 Races will be started using either RRS 30.3 (U Flag Rule), or RRS 30.4 (Black Flag Rule).

13.7 RRS 30.4 (Black Flag Rule) is changed as follows:

13.7.1 Sail numbers will be displayed for at least 3 minutes. A long sound signal will be made when the numbers are initially displayed. A boat whose number is so displayed shall leave the racing area, defined in SIs 10 before the new preparatory signal. If she fails to do so, she will be scored DNE.

13.7.2 For the purposes of RRS 30.4 a race is 'restarted or resailed' when it has the same race number as a previously abandoned or recalled race, even if the race is resailed on a later date or is resailed as part of a final series instead of a qualifying series.

14. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

14.1 When it is not possible to change the position of the original marks, the course may be reset using one or more new marks. When new marks are already in use, the course may be reset using original marks. The new marks will be Red inflatable marks.

14.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the RC vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the RC vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.

14.3 Any action or no action by the RC under SI 14 will not be ground for redress under RRS 62.1(a).

15. FINISH

- 15.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the finishing mark at the other end of the finish line, except when RRS 32.2 applies.
- 15.2** If the RC signals a shortened course at mark 3 or 4, the finishing line shall be, at a gate, between the gate marks (RRS 32.2.c).
- 15.3** If the RC is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.

16. PENALTIES

16.1 Appendix P will apply with the following changes:

- 16.1.1** If a first penalty is signalled after a boat has crossed the finish line, the penalty will be an 8 points Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c).
- 16.1.2** RRS P3 is changed as follows: “If a boat has been penalized for the first time under RRS P1.2 and the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, the penalty is cancelled, but it is counted to determine the number of times she has been penalized during the event. If a boat has been penalized for the second or subsequent time under RRS P1.2 and the RC signals a postponement, general recall or the race is abandoned, the boat shall not sail in this race if it is restarted or re-sailed. If she does, she shall be disqualified without a hearing and scored DNE”.
- 16.1.3** RRS P4 is replaced with “An action by the Protest Committee under RRS P1.2 shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat under RRS 60.1(b). The Protest Committee may initiate a redress hearing and may give redress for an action under RRS P1.2 by a member of the Protest Committee or its designated observer”.

16.2 Measurement Penalties:

- 16.2.1** Measurement protests will only be accepted from either the RC or Protest Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 16.2.2** If a boat is sailed without a centreboard stopper, or with no mast retention line attached (class rule 3(b) xi), a Scoring Penalty of 30% of the score for did not finish rounded to a whole number (rounding 0.5 upward) will, without a hearing, be added to the boats score in the last completed race in which she was racing without a centreboard stopper or the retention line. However, she shall not be scored worse than DNF. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.
- 16.2.3** If a sail, top mast, or bottom mast has been changed prior to a race without the permission required by SI 20.2 the boat will be disqualified without a hearing from the last completed race when the change was used. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.
- 16.2.4** For any other measurement protest, the Protest Committee may apply an alternative penalty to disqualification.
- 16.3** Penalties for any other breach of class rules, RRS 50.1 or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP], should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification [DP].
- 16.4** When a penalty is given under SI 16.5 before a race is started, the penalty will remain if that race is restarted or resailed. This changes RRS 36.

17. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

17.1 Time limits and target times are in minutes and are shown in the table below:

RACE TIME LIMIT	FINISH WINDOW	RACE TARGET TIME
75	20	50

- 17.2** Boats failing to finish within the time stated in the Finish Window, after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 17.3** Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

18. HEARING REQUESTS

- 18.1** For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in that class finishes the last race of the day or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The end of the protest time limit may be different for each fleet. The time will be posted on the online ONB at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/messages/7695/event>
- 18.2** Hearing request forms are available on the online ONB at https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/protests/new?event_id=7695 .
- 18.3** 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 in room n. 4, and begin at the time posted. Notices will be posted on the online ONB at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/decisions/7695/event>
- 18.4** To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available on the online ONB at https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/scoring_inquiries/new?event_id=7695 .
- 18.5** A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted after racing each day on the online ONB at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/penalties/7695/event> .
- 18.6** Notices of protests by the Protest Committee or RC to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b) will be posted on the online ONB at <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/penalties/7695/event>.
- 18.7** RRS 62.2(a) is changed as follows:
On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing decision 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 15 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day;
c) no later than 15 minutes after a signal to abandon racing is displayed ashore.
- 18.8** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2(a).
- 18.9** All hearing requests, inquiries or declarations that are required by the NoR or SIs shall be submitted online on the ONB. In case of any technical issues, paper forms will be available at the Race Office.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1** [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC, safety or Protest Committee vessels at the first reasonable opportunity. If this is not possible, the boat must inform the Race Office as soon as possible after returning to shore. Promptly after returning to shore, the boat shall complete a retirement declaration form, which is available on the online ONB at https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/penalty_reports/new?event_id=7695 .
- 19.2** Boats not racing for any of the racing days shall inform the Race Office as soon as possible.
- 19.3** Boats not racing shall not interfere with official boats.
- 19.4** Under RRS 37, the communication channel for search and rescue instructions is the VHF channel 72.
- 19.5** Boats which, for any reason, have to return to shore far from Fraglia Vela Malcesine and who were unable to reach the places assigned to them, must inform the OA immediately at the following telephone number: + 39 045 6570439 and +39 338 6313688.

19.6 Boats who require assistance from rescue vessel should wave one arm with hand open. If no assistance is required, the arm should be waved with fist closed.

20. BOATS, EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1 All competitors shall use only one hull, sail, mast, boom, centreboard and rudder.
- 20.2 In the event of damage, boats and equipment may only be substituted with the written permission of the RC. If the damage occurs later than 90 minutes before the first scheduled start on a racing day and before the start of the last race of the day, provisional verbal permission shall be obtained from the RC and the written permission of the RC shall be applied for before the end of Protest Time Limit at the end of the day in which the substitution takes place.
- 20.3 Women competitors shall place a red diamond on each side of their sail (back-to-back) in compliance with class rule 4(g).
- 20.4 A boat and equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, as wet clothing rules at the discretion of the RC.

21. OFFICIAL VESSELS

21.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows:

VESSEL	FLAG
RACE COMMITTEE	“RC”
JURY	“J”
MEDIA/PRESS	“PRESS”

21.2 Failure of an official vessel to fly an identifying flag shall not be grounds for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

22. SUPPORT VESSELS

- 22.1 Team and support boats shall, at all times when afloat, be clearly identified by the white flag with red S and a black number, provided by the OA to each support person at registration.
- 22.2 Team and support vessel shall not be in the racing area during the period between the first warning signal of the first fleet in a race and the finish of the last boat in the last fleet in that race except when a postponement or abandonment is signalled, in which case they may be in the racing area until the first signal after the end of the postponement. See Rule 10.1 in NoR.
- 22.3 If a team or support vessel does not comply with instruction 22.1 and/or 22.2 a penalty may be applied to some or all supported boats.
- 22.4 Instruction 22.3 will not apply to rescue operations.

23. TRASH DISPOSAL

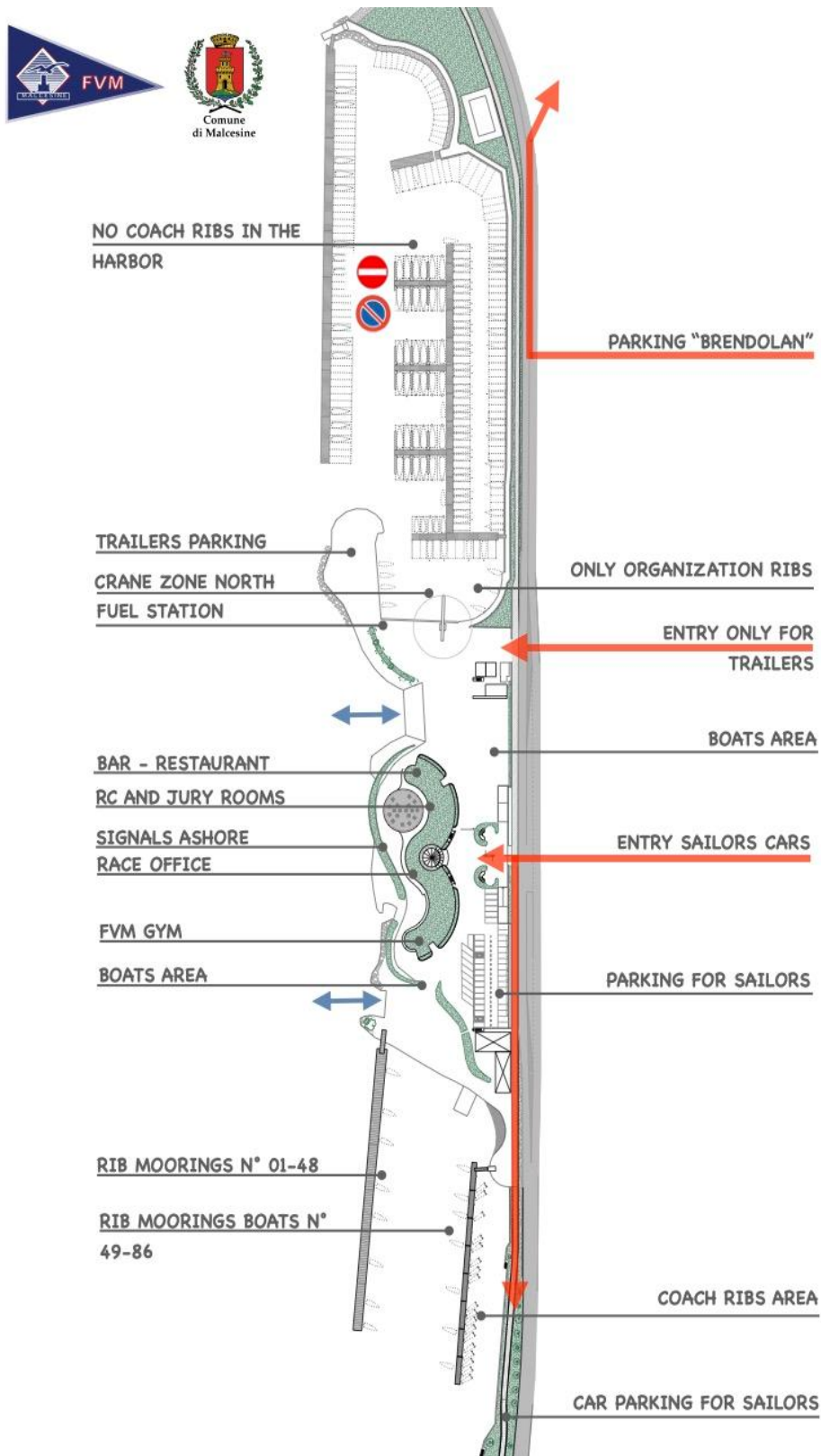
23.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

24. ADVERTISING

- 24.1 The event is “free advertising” as per WS regulation 20.
- 24.2 Boats shall display advertising supplied by the OA. Details shall be specified as follows:

Negrinautica stickers should be applied on both tacks on the bow (see Addendum 5).

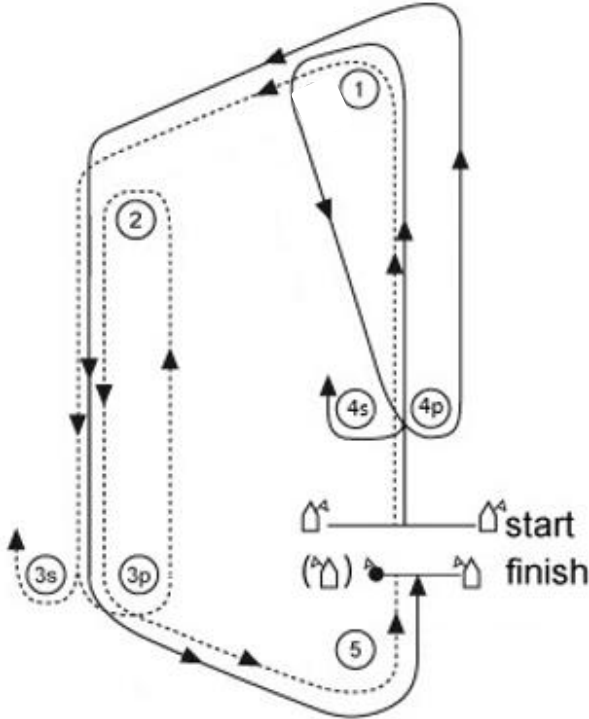
ADDENDUM 1 – EVENT VENUE PLAN



ADDENDUM 2 – RACING AREA



ADDENDUM 3 – COURSE DIAGRAM



Outer Loop Course: ILCA 6 except if RC designates otherwise
 Start – 1 – 2 – 3P/3S – 2 - 3P – 5 - Finish

Inner Loop Course: ILCA 4 except if RC designates otherwise
 Start – 1 - 4P/4S – 1 – 2 - 3P – 5 – Finish

ADDENDUM 4 – QUALIFYING & FINAL SERIES FORMAT

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This addendum applies when boats are divided into fleets to sail a qualifying series and a final series.
- 1.2 Where an ILCA fleet is bigger than 92 boats, (or close to 90 at discretion of the RC) can be split into groups.

2. QUALIFYING SERIES

- 2.1 For the qualifying series boats will be assigned to fleets of, as near as possible, equal size.
 - 2.1.1 Each Fleet will be split into 2 groups called Yellow and Blue or in 3 groups called Yellow, Blue and Red; or in 4 groups called Yellow, Blue, Red and Green.
 - 2.1.2 Boats will be possibly reassigned to groups each day after racing based on the overall available results.
 - 2.1.3 The polling will be made with a scoring system, with the alternate option.
- 2.2 The notice of groups will be posted on the online ONB as soon as possible before the first race of the day. The starting signal will be made no earlier than 60 minutes after the time of the posted notice.
- 2.3 If all groups of a split fleet have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the groups with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all groups have completed the same number of races.
- 2.4 If four races have not been completed on the last scheduled day of the qualifying series, the qualifying series will continue until the end of the racing day in which a fourth qualifying race is completed.
- 2.5 If at the end of the qualifying series some qualifying series fleets have more race scores than others, any extra races will be cancelled so that all boats in the qualifying series have the same number of race scores.

3. FINAL SERIES

- 3.1 When at least 4 races were sailed for all groups, the last day the fleet will be divided in Gold and Silver fleets (and Bronze and Emerald if in case) and raced in “finals” format.
- 3.2 Boats will be assigned to final series fleets based on their ranks in the qualifying series.
- 3.3 There will be the same number of fleets in the final series as there were in the qualifying series.
- 3.4 The final series fleets will be, as nearly as possible, of equal size but so that the Silver fleet is not larger than the Gold fleet and the Bronze fleet (if any) is not larger than the Silver fleet and the Emerald fleet (if any) is not larger than the Bronze fleet. Boats with the best qualifying series ranks will race all final series races in the Gold fleet; boats with the next best qualifying series ranks will race in the Silver fleet; boats with the next best qualifying series ranks will race in the Bronze fleet (if any); and boats with the next best qualifying series ranks will race in the Emerald fleet (if any).
- 3.5 Any recalculation of qualifying series ranking after boats have been assigned to final series fleets will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to a higher fleet.
- 3.6 Different final series fleets need not complete the same number of final races. Boats assigned to Gold fleet will be ranked higher in the event than boats assigned to Silver fleet and so forth, except for a boat disqualified from a final series race under RRS 6, or 69.

4. GROUPS IDENTIFICATION

- 4.1 If a fleet is split into groups, the class flag for each group will be the class flag with a coloured flag corresponding to the group colour.
- 4.2 If a fleet is split into groups, each boat in that fleet will be supplied by the OA with a coloured ribbon corresponding to the allocated group. The ribbon shall be placed on the top of the mast. In case of finals both flags and coloured bands will be as per Gold = Yellow; Silver = Blue. The ribbon shall be placed as depicted in Addendum 5.

ADDENDUM 5 – STICKER POSITION & COLOUR BANDS POSITION



Stickers: On both side
Coloured band: on the top the mast

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