

Benelux Championships 2017

Notice of Race

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August 12th & 13th, 2017

Venue: WV Scharendijke, Grevelingenmeer, near Scharendijke (NL)

Organizing Authority: The races will be organised by Watersport Vereniging Scharendijke,
Royal Yacht Club van België & Koninklijke Watersport Vereniging De Kaag,

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
The prescriptions of the Dutch National Authority will apply.
The Sailing Instructions may change some rules.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.3 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall have the required licenses.
The licenses will be checked before or upon registration.
- 1.4 Change of crew during the regatta is subject to approval by the race committee.
Approval will not be given when the required licence cannot be shown.

2 Advertising

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with the class rules and ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 2.3 The following parts of the hulls and sails must be left clear for the possible display of supplied advertising: 1) the front 1m of the bow, 2) the bottom 10% of the mainsail, 3) the front 50cm of the boom nearest the mast

3 Eligibility and Entries

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats in the following classes: Laser Standard, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, Solo, Snipe, Contender, FD, FJ, Finn, RS500, Europe, 420, 470, Vaurien & Musto Skiff
- 3.2 All eligible boats may register by completing the online entry form at the event-website
<http://www.beneluxkampioenschappen.eu>
- 3.3 The closing date for online registration is August 10th, 2017
- 3.4 Late entries may be accepted at the Regatta Office during hours indicated below.

4 Entry fee

- 4.1 The entry fee for this event for single handed boats € 40,00, all other boats € 50,00
- 4.2 The fee can be paid CASH during registration at the Regatta Office,
or by BANK transfer WSV INZ. BENELUX KAMPIOENSCHAPPEN - NL 47 RABO 0312 5368 95
with reference to HELM NAME – CLASS – COUNTRY - SAIL NUMBER.

5 Registration and Race schedule

- 5.1 Registration shall take place on Friday 11th of August 2017 between 18.00 and 20.30 hours
and Saturday the 12th of August between 8.00 and 11.30 hours at the Regatta Office.
- 5.2 Each boat shall confirm his entry for the regatta at the regatta office before the start of his first race.
The following should be confirmed or submitted during registration at the regatta office:
Crew list (if applicable) with all crewmembers' licence numbers for crewmembers living
in the Netherlands (NoR 1.3)
A copy of a valid Race licence (if applicable) for the responsible person on board (NoR 1,3)
- 5.3 The races are scheduled as followed:
Saturday, August 12th 2017 the first scheduled start is at 12:00 hrs, 3 races back to back.
Sunday, August 13th 2017 the first scheduled start is at 10:00 hrs, 3 races back to back.
A full starting schedule will be included in the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.4 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.
- 5.5 There will be no break ashore between races.
- 5.6 Any race whose warning signal is not given by 15:00 hrs on the last day of the event
will be abandoned and not re-sailed.

6 Measurements

Measurement checks may be made at registration and may be made on the water.

7 Sailing Instructions

The Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions will be issued on the applicable website and can be downloaded. These documents will also be available at the Regatta Office.

8 Venue & Location Race area

8.1 Venue:

Watersport Vereniging Scharendijke
Haven Kloosternol 5
4322 AK Scharendijke (NL)

8.2 For directions to the location of the regatta location, please refer to

<https://www.wvscharendijke.nl/index.php?p=10&pagina=contact.html>

8.3 The race area will be presented to competitors at the competitors briefing and included in the Sailing Instructions. Please be aware that the race area is approx. 2.5Nm ENE from the venue.

9 Courses

The courses to be used will be included in the Sailing Instructions

10 Penalty System

Arbitration will be in effect for protests involving rules of RRS Part 2. The full text of this rule will appear in the Sailing Instructions.

11 Scoring

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

11.2 (a) When fewer than Five (5) races have been completed,
a boats series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When Five (5) or more races have been completed,
a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 Support Boats

12.1 Support and coach boats are obliged to inform the Organization in advance by e-mail when entering and must register before the first start of the first race and may be marked with a number on a clearly visible place. This number is to be obtained from the Organizers.

The marina mooring fee of 50 Euro per support or coach boat will be collected at registration.

12.2 All these boats shall comply with local and event regulations.

12.3 Each support boat shall carry a VHF radio and should also carry a mobile phone, call sign and telephone number to be advised to the event Safety Officer.

12.4 The VHF channel used on the racing area will be advised.

12.5 Kill cords shall be worn whilst engines are running, the course safety officer will be looking out for compliance on this issue, there are no excuses and boats may be requested to leave the race area immediately if kill cords are not being used appropriately.

12.6 An official event photographer may move between the starting line and course marks in order to photograph the event, this boat will display a distinguishing flag.

13 Berthing

Boats shall be kept in the assigned places in the boat and trailer park while ashore, unless instructed otherwise.

14 Safety and Radio communication

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.

The VHF is to be used solemnly for safety communication.

15 Prizes

Depending on the number of entries in each class there will be prizes:

- 1 up to 6 entries : 1 prize
- 7 up to 9 entries : 2 prizes
- 10 or more entries : 3 prizes

16 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The KWV De Kaag, R.Y.C.B. and WV Scharendijke, the involved Class Organization, the Dutch National Authority, the involved Race Committee, any other parties and/or persons involved in the organization of the races and persons who are being used by these parties, will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained, direct or indirect, in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17 Insurance

Each participating boat, including support boats, shall be insured with a valid third-party Liability Insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000,= per event or the equivalent.

18 Indemnification

To the fullest extent permitted by law, each competitor agrees to indemnify and hold the involved Class Organization, the R.Y.C.B., WV Scharendijke, KWV De Kaag, owners, affiliates, officers, employees, agents, committee persons and race officials acting in their capacities harmless, from any third party claim to the extent arising from a competitor's acts or omissions.

19 Social Program / Catering

To promote socializing under competitors, the organising committee will arrange for a **Barbecue** on Saturday-evening.

The cost is a democratic 10€/pp, payable at the regatta registration (point 5 of this Notice of Race) Registration for the barbeque is compulsory (can be indicated during the online registration and will be verified during regatta registration)

Furthermore the organising committee offers a **free breakfast on Sunday morning**. Prior registration for this breakfast is also compulsory and will also be verified during regatta registration.

20 Spare

21 Photography Consent

By entering the regatta competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the regatta and/or using regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.

22 Changes to the Notice of Race

This Notice of Race may be subject to amendments

23 Further Information

23.1 Accommodation

There are no spaces available for camper vans in the Marina but may be placed on instruction only on a designated area. The cost is €12.50/£10 per night.

Arrival no earlier than Thursday.

Exceptionally competitors are allowed to camp with tents on the grass in front of the clubhouse, this only for the duration of the event.

Other accommodation information will be on the event's website. There is a mix of camping and holiday park accommodation nearby.

23.2 For all other further information be advised to follow the website

<http://www.beneluxkampioenschappen.eu>

23.3 other contact & administration: beneluxkampioenschappen@gmail.com

Appendix - LOCATIONS

