

2024 July 6th to 12th Halmstad–Sweden

Organising Authority: Halmstads Segelsällskap in conjunction with the Nordic Folkboat International Association and the Swedish Nordic Folkboat Association

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS





1 RULES

- **1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- **1.2** No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The articles for the Gold Cup and Folkboat Class Rules will apply. The current version of the articles and the class rules can be found on www.folkboat.com.
- 1.4 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by One-Turn Penalty.
- **1.5** In all rules governing this event:
 - **1.5.1**. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
 - **1.5.2.** [SP] denotes a rule for which the race committee or technical committee may apply a standard penalty without hearing or a discretionary penalty may be applied by the jury with a hearing. However, the race committee or technical committee may protest a boat if it considers a standard penalty inappropriate. A boat that has been penalised with a standard penalty shall neither be protested by another boat for the same incident nor can another boat request redress for this committee action. This changes RRS60.1, 63.1 and A5.
- **1.6 [NP] [DP]** All competitors and support persons shall follow any reasonable instructions given by a race official.
- **1.7** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 COMMUNICATIONS & IMPORTANT LOCATIONS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board www.sailarena.com/sv/se/club/hass/nordic-folkboat-gold-cup-2024
- **2.2** The official flagpole is located in front of the club house.
- **2.3** Race office, is located in the boat house next to the club house.
- **2.4** Jury room is located on the second floor in the club house.
- **2.5 [DP]** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make wireless transmission while racing nor receive wireless communication. Exception: A boat may call race committee on VHF channel 72 to announce that they retire from the race.
- Information regarding the races (as postponements, restarts, boats scored OCS, intentions of the race committee, etc.) may be transmitted by the race committee to the competitors on VHF channel 72. Any information, including errors, delays or omissions in information, given under this rule will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted latest 08.00 the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted latest 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

4 [DP] REGISTRATION & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 4.1 Each boat shall register at the race office and complete all required registration and equipment inspection formalities before racing. A boat that does not complete all required registration and equipment formalities will not be entered to the event under RRS 75.
- 4.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and the sailing instructions according to the following procedures:
 - 4.2.1 A boat may be instructed by the technical committee or race committee, either ashore or on the water, to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
 - 4.2.2 Until permission is given by the technical committee, a boat once instructed to proceed for inspection, shall have no unauthorised contact with any support person, no person shall join or leave the boat, no equipment or other item shall be taken on or off the boat and the boat shall not leave the inspection area.

4.3 A Folkboat that has been chartered or loaned for the event may carry national letters or sail numbers in contravention of her class rules in accordance with RRS G3.

This changes NoR 9.3

5 [NP] [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- **5.1** Substitution of competitors will not be permitted without prior approval of the race committee.
- 5.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be permitted unless authorized by the technical committee. Request for substitution shall be made to the technical committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **6.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flag pole.
- When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

7 FORMAT OF RACING

7.1 8 races are scheduled over 5 days, with 1-2 races a day.

8 SCHEDULE

Day	Planned		Planned
	Time		no. of races
Saturday July 6	14.00-18.00	Registration, Equipment	
		Inspection, Launching	
Sunday July 7	09.00-18.00	Registration, Equipment	
		Inspection, Launching	
Sunday July 7	18.00	Opening Ceremony, Snacks	
Monday July 8	09.00	Skippers meeting	
Monday July 8	11.00	First Warning Signal of the day	1 or2
Tuesday July 9	10.00	First Warning Signal of the day	1 or2
Wednesday July 10	10.00	First Warning Signal of the day	1 or 2
Thursday July 11	10.00	First Warning Signal of the day	1 or 2
Friday July 12	10.00	First Warning Signal of the day	1 or 2
Friday July 12	19.00	Price giving and regatta dinner	

This changes NoR #7.1

8.1 On the last day of the event no warning signal will be made after 15.00.

This changes NoR #7.1

9 CLASS FLAG

Class flag will be a white flag with black letter F.

10 RACING AREA

Attachment 1 shows approximate location of the racing area.

11 THE COURSES

- Attachment 2 shows the course diagram, including the course signal, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- In accordance with the articles for the Gold Cup, the distance between mark 1 and marks 2S/2P will be 1.8 NM. Any deviations shall not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.3 In case of a single mark is missing, the gate mark which is in position shall be rounded to port.
- No later than the warning signal, the race committee vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

12 MARKS

- **12.1** Marks 1, 2S and 2P will be yellow cylindrical inflatable buoys (fat type).
- **12.2** Mark 1A will be a yellow cylindrical inflatable buoy (narrow type).
- 12.3 The starting marks will be an orange flag on the race committee vessel and a buoy with staff displaying an orange flag at the port end.
- The finishing marks will be a blue flag on the race committee vessel and a buoy with staff displaying a blue flag buoy at the port end.

13 CHECK-IN

Prior to the first warning signal of respective race, a boat shall be recorded as being in the starting area by sailing on upwind tack past a 'check in gate' formed by the stern of the race committee vessel and an orange leeward buoy. A boat not complying with this instruction will be scored DNC, without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

14 THE START

- To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag on the race committee vessel will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal will be made. It will be removed 4 minutes after the starting signal.
- **14.2** The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- **14.3** The starting line will be between the orange flags stated in SI #12.3.
- A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored did not start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

15 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **15.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original marks.
- Any action or no action by the race committee under SI #15 will be ground for redress under RRS 62.1(a).

16 THE FINISH

16.1 The finishing line will be between the flags stated in SI #12.4.

17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGETS

17.1 Time limits and target times are in minutes as follows:

Race Time Limit	Finish Window	Race Target Time
180	60	120

- The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without hearing. A boat scored (TLE) shall be scored points for the finishing place of the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window, plus the number of boats scored (TLE) divided with two. Points ending with 0,5 will be rounded upward. This changes RRS 35, RRS A5.1, RRS A5.2 and RRS A10.
- **17.3** Failure to meet the Race Target Time will not be grounds for redress under RRS 62.1(a)

18 HEARING REQUESTS, ENQUIRIES & PENALTIES

18.1 Hearing request forms are available at the race office. Hearing requests shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

- 18.2 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.
- 18.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties.
- **18.4** Hearings will be held in the Jury room.
- **18.5** To request correction of an alleged error in posted or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.
- Penalties for breach of class rules are at the direction of the jury and may be less than disqualification [DP].
- 18.7 All hearing requests, enquiries or declarations that are required by the NoR or Sailing Instructions shall be submitted at the race office.

19 SCORING

- 19.1 A minimum of 4 (four) races are required to be completed to award the Gold Cup.
- **19.2** A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score as follows:

Races	ces Discards Comment	
1-4	0	No discard
5 or more	or more 1 One worst score	

20 TITLES & PRIZES

- **20.1** Titles & prizes will be awarded according to NoR.
- The Gold Cup trophy will be awarded to the winning boats yacht club in accordance with the articles for the Gold Cup.
- **20.3** In addition, there will be prizes for the 10 highest ranked boats.
- The prize giving ceremony will be open for all public, and prizes will be given starting with lowest ranked and ending with the Gold Cup winner celebration.

21 [DP] [NP] SAFETY

- A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee or jury vessel as soon as reasonable possible and shall inform the race office immediately after returning to shore.
- A boat not racing for any of the racing days shall inform the race office as soon as possible.
- 21.3 When the race committee displays flag V with repetitive sounds, all official and support vessels shall monitor VHF channel 72 for instructions and assist in search and rescue operations.

22 SUPPORT VESSELS

All support vessels shall keep well clear of the starting area and, after the preparatory signal shall not approach within 100 meters of any competing boat except in an emergency.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

23.1 Official vessels will be marked as follows:

Vessel	Flag
Jury	White flag with black letter J
Race Committee	White flag with black letters RC
Press, Media	White flag with black letter P

- 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).
- Actions by the official boats or drones shall not be grounds for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

24 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

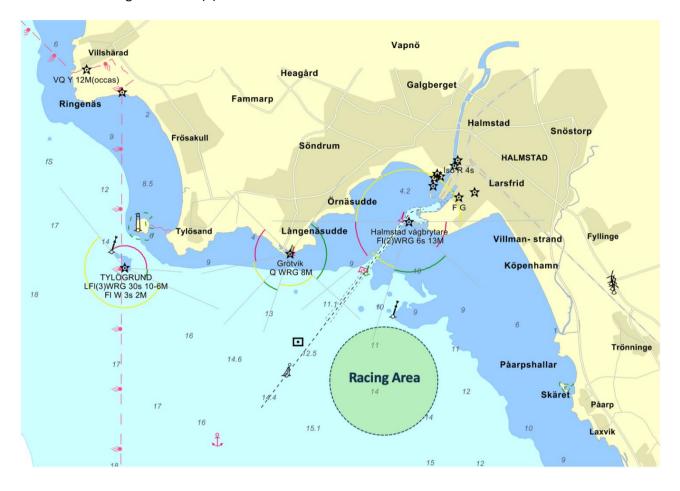
24.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Technical committee.

25 DIVING EQUIPMENT & PLASTIC POOLS

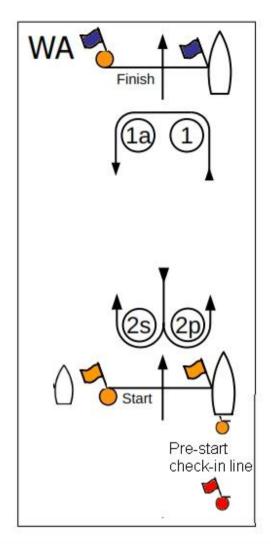
25.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Technical committee.

Attachment 1: Approximate location of the racing area

Any deviation in location of course or boats sailing outside the marked circle shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).



Attachment 2: Course diagram



	se WA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Windward Finish
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
WA3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - Finish

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