



HRW Big Boat Series 2015

20 – 21 June 2014 Hankø, Norway

Notice of Race

The Organizing Authority is Royal Norwegian Yacht Club (KNS) in conjunction with Fredrikstad Sailing Club (FS) and Norwegian Offshore Racing Club (NORC).

The HRW Big Boat Series will be part of NORC's ranking series.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The following prescription and rules of the Norwegian Sailing Federation will apply:
 - Eligibility rules including start license rules for Norwegian boats.
 - Scandinavian Sailing Federation prescription to RRS 30.2 and 30.3 will apply and will be stated in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.3 Classes are governed by the current versions of the ORC Rating System Rules, the rules and regulations of each one design class, and any classification limitations or requirements on crews.
- 1.4 The ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) category 4 applies to all classes.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 ISAF Advertising Code will apply.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

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3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to the international Melges 24 class and all boats with a valid ORC-International measurement certificate.
- 3.2 A minimum of 10 boats are required to enter before entry closing date 13 June 2015 in order to constitute a regatta.
- 3.3 If 7 or more boats are registered in the one design classes X41 or X35, the class will get a separate scoring list and the winner of the class will receive a special price.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter on the KNS website:
<http://www.seilmagasinet.no/regatta?regatta=1747&act=paameld>
- 3.5 Entry closing date is 13 June 2015. The entry is not valid until the entry fee has been paid.

4. FEES

- 4.1 The required non-refundable entry fee is:
Melges 24:**NOK 2.000**
ORCi, X-41,X-35:**NOK 3.000**,
net of any bank charges and transfer fees.
- 4.2 Late entries, accompanied by a late entry fee of **NOK 3.500** may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 4.3 The entry fee includes mooring at Hankø Yacht Club from Friday 19 June at 12:00 hrs until Sunday 21 June at 20:00 hrs,

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Registration schedule:

Date	Scheduled times
Friday 19 June	18:00 – 22:00 hours
Saturday 20 June	09:00 – 11:00 hours

- 5.2 Racing Schedule:

Date	Scheduled times	Scheduled number of races
Saturday 20 June	12:00 hours	Maximum 3 races
	Ca. 19:30	Opening ceremony
Sunday 21 June	11:00 hours	Maximum 3 races

- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race Saturday 20 June is 12:00 and for the first race Sunday 21 June 11:00.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be given after 15:00 hours on Sunday 21 June unless it follows signal of general recall or postponement of a race whose first warning signal had been made before 15:00 hrs.

6. REGISTRATION

- 6.1 All boats must register at the Race Office located at Hankø Yacht Club.
- 6.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration in order to complete the registration:

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- a) Valid measurement certificate which shall have been issued before and not have been adjusted after 19 June 2014. This certificate shall also be presented at any spot checks.
 - b) A self-declaration form / crew list containing the following information / statements signed by the boat owner and / or skipper (this form will be published at the KNS website together with the entry forms):
 - o Crew list with full names.
 - o A statement that the boat has valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of NOK 4.000.000 as required in NOR 18.
 - c) For Norwegian boats displaying advertisement, a valid license from NSF.
- 6.3 Boats failing to comply with NOR 6 will not be registered and they will not be allowed to sail. This changes RRS rule 78.2.
- 6.4 Crew lists may be amended within the rules for each class up to 12:00 hours **20 June** by filing a new form at the race office, clearly indicating the changes.
- 6.5 The Race Committee may measure or inspect equipment before, between or after races.
- 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
The sailing instructions will be available upon registration at the Race Office at Hankø Yacht Club from Friday 19 June.
- 8. VENUE**
The races will be held at the traditional KNS race courses off the island of Hankø, near Fredrikstad. Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.
- 9. THE COURSES**
The courses to be sailed will be a Windward-Leeward configuration.
- 10. PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn penalty while racing outside the Zone of a rounding or finishing mark.
- 10.2 A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 44 shall fill in an acknowledgement form and deliver it to the race office within the protest time.
- 11. SCORING**
- 11.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply except the value of a first place finish shall be 0.75 instead of 1.00.
- 11.2 Scoring system to be used for the ORCi fleet is Performance Curve Scoring with Construction course.
- 11.3 6 races are scheduled.
- 11.4 If 5 or more races are completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

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12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury. Such permission shall only be granted in case of damage that needs repair ashore. The jury may request to be present during the haul-out and inspect the boat ashore. This instruction does not apply to a boat that withdraws from the event.

13. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 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 phones.
- 14.2 Individual and general recalls may be announced on a dedicated VHF channel.

15. PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be given to the 3 first places in the HRW Big Boat Series.

16. REPLACEMENTS

- 16.1 With reference to NOR 6.4, substitution of competitors after 12:00 hours 20 June will only be allowed after prior written approval of the protest committee.
- 16.2 Substitution of damaged or lost sails or equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee in writing prior to doing so. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

All those taking part in the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. The organizing authority, and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta, disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury, inconvenience or death that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta as a consequence of participation in the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by entering and registering for the race.

Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of NOK 4.000.000 or the equivalent from time of arrival to time of departure from Hankø.

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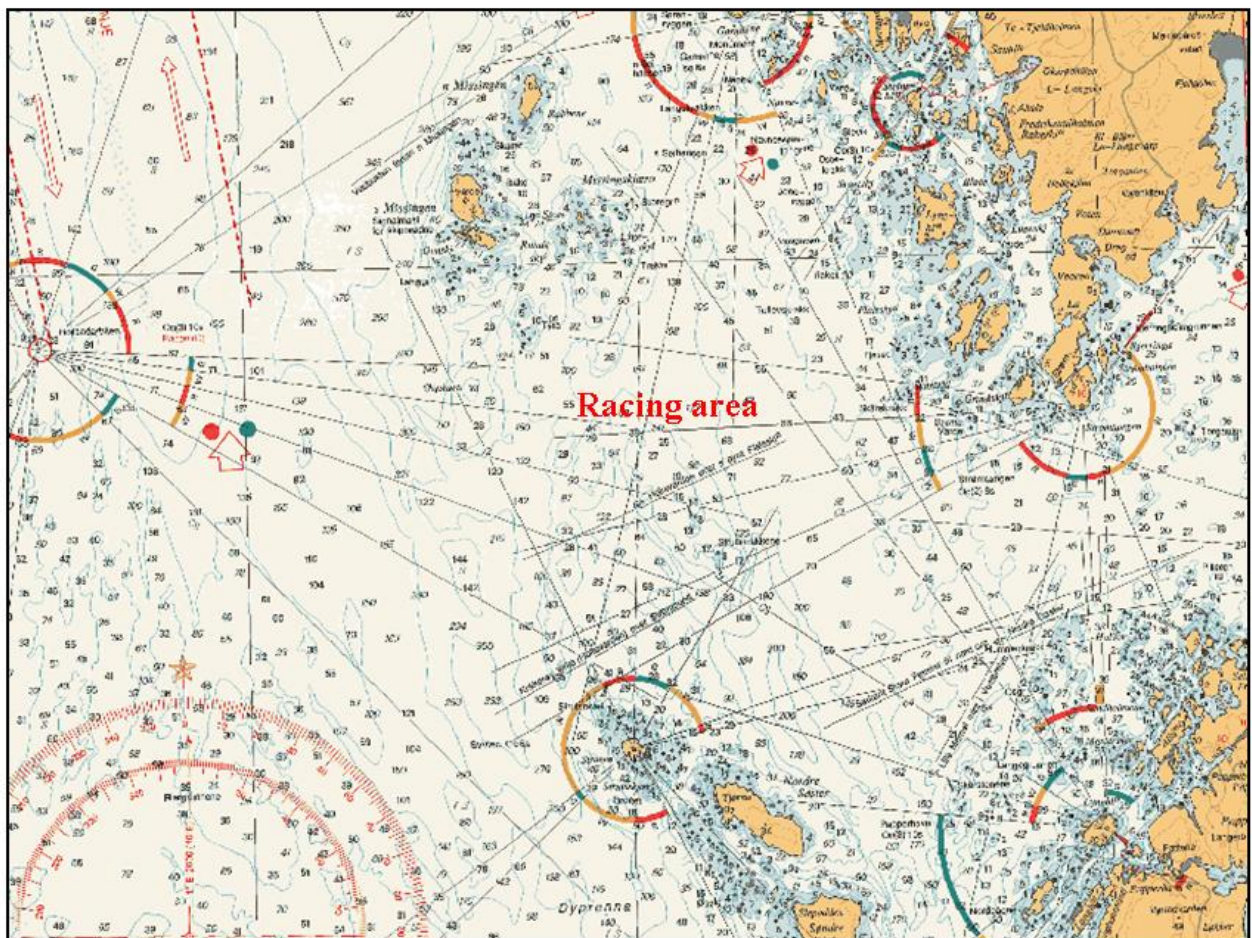
19. MEDIA RIGHTS

By entering the event, competitors give the organizing authority the right to publish and / or broadcast in any media photos and videos taken of persons and boats during the event for the purpose of creating publicity for the event.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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Attachment A



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