

NOTICE OF RACE

MARSTRAND BIG BOAT RACE

Dates: May 22nd – May 24th, 2026

Location: Marstrand

Boat classes: Melges 24 and invited single hull boats with a valid ORCi certificate with CDL between 16400 and 8320

Class: Open Class to Melges24, and by invitation for all others

Organizing Authority: Marstrand's Sailing Association (MaSS) and SportsPartner AS

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by:

- The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2025–2028.
- The ORC Rating System Rules (ORCi).
- Class Rules of the **Melges 24 Class Association** (for Melges 24 division).
- National prescriptions of the Swedish Sailing Federation, unless otherwise stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- This Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI). If there is a conflict between this NOR and the SI, the provisions of the SI shall prevail.

If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will prevail.

1.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority (see rule 6 and the World Sailing Advertising Code) and other information related to advertising.

1.3 Rule 40.1 applies at all times a boat is on the water. Competitor shall, when afloat, wear a personal flotation device equipment. This rule does not apply to short-term replacement or adjustment of clothing or personal equipment, or when competitors are in the harbor, or under deck. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. A boat that breaks this rule may be warned or penalized (less than disqualification) at the discretion of the protest committee.

- 1.4 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 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.
- 1.5 The number of boats is restricted to 50 boats.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available at registration or downloaded on the Website: <https://sailracesystem.no/regatta?regatta=3968> on 15th May, 2026 or earlier.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://sailracesystem.no/regatta?regatta=3968>
- 3.2 It is mandatory to carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 72 or the proper channel communicated at the skippers' meetings.
- 3.3 On the water, the Race Committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI or at the skippers' meetings.
- 3.4 The Race Committee will, when possible and appropriate, send information about the course, start times, safety, etc. on VHF channel 72 or another channel that the committee deems appropriate. However, failure to send or receive such broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

4 ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1 The event is open to invited single hull boats with valid ORCi certificate with CDL between 16400 and 8320. The event is also open to Melges24 as a separate class with no rating.
- 4.2 Every competitor shall be a member of a club that is a member of the Swedish Sailing Federation or her national authority. A person in charge, who is a Swedish citizen, shall have a competition license (tävlingslicens) issued by the Swedish Sailing Federation, and must be at least 18 years old the year the event takes place. Any competitor must be at least 13 years old.
- 4.3 The event is open class to Melges24, and by invitation to all others.
- 4.4 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €3.000.000.

- 4.5 Boats with ownership or registration in Russia or Belarus, or boats with competitors that are Russian or Belarusian citizens are not allowed to participate in the event.

5. ENTRIES AND FEES

- 5.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, to: <https://sailracesystem.no/regatta?regatta=3968>

- 5.2 Entry shall be made not later than 30th. April 2026.

- 5.3 The entry fee is:

Melges24 Class:				4500,- SEK
Class 0	CDL	>	16400	8000,- SEK
Class A	CDL	16399 - 11690		7000,- SEK
Class B	CDL	11689 - 9680		5500,- SEK
Class C	CDL	9679 - 8320		4500,- SEK

- 5.4 Late entries after 30th. April 2026 will be accepted under the following conditions: The fee will in this case be:

Melges24 Class: 5000,- SEK				
Class 0	CDL	>	16400	8500,- SEK
Class A	CDL	16399 - 11690		7500,- SEK
Class B	CDL	11689 - 9680		6000,- SEK
Class C	CDL	9679 - 8320		5000,- SEK

- 5.5 Entry fee includes:

- Clinic North Sails
- After-Sail on Friday and Saturday
- Prizes to the top 3 teams in each class
- Harbor fee for participating yachts
- Hauling/crane (Melges 24)

- 5.6 Regatta dinner will take place at “Socitetshuset” on Saturday at 20.00 (Separate booking/payment)

- 5.7 The Entry shall include the following:

- Skippers surname and first name
- Cell phone
- E-mail
- City
- Country

- Yacht Club
- Name of the boat
- Sail number
- Crew name
- Crew Cell phone
- Insurance Company
- Rating Certificate number

6. REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT CHECK

6.1 Registration takes place at

Friday: May 22nd 16.00-20.00
Saturday: May 23rd 08.00-09.00

6.2 A crew may not be substituted without the written permission of the Race Committee.

6.3 A boat and/or its equipment and/or crew may be inspected at any time, on shore as well on the water. On the water the Race Committee or the Technical Committee may direct a boat to a specified site for inspection.

7. TIME SCHEDULE

7.1 Program 22nd – 24th May 2026

Friday 22 nd	10:00	North Sails Clinic
	14:00	Practice Race
	17:30-19:00	AfterSail by Liros
	16:00 – 20:00	Registration
Saturday 23 rd	08:00-09.00	Registration
	09:00	Skippers' meeting
	11:00	First warning signal for the day
	19:00	Race Dinner at "Socitetshuset"
Sunday 24 th	09:00	Skippers' meeting
	11.00	First warning signal for the day
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7.2 On Sunday the 24th, no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

8 CLASSES

The Race Committee has the right to divide the fleet into several classes/starts if required by the number and sizes of boats. Class divisions will be published on the official noticeboard no later than May 21.

9 RACE AREA

The races will take place on the Marstrand fjord.

10 THE COURSE

A windward-leeward course will be sailed. The last race of the day may be finished outside Södra Strandverket. Each race is estimated to last approx. 60 min.

11. PROTESTS AND PENALTY SYSTEMS

- 11.1 The two-turn Penalty is replaced with a One-turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of RRS part 2 in an incident while racing. This changes rule 44.1.
- 11.2 RRS appendix T will apply.

12. SCORING

The low point scoring system of RRS, App. A will apply, however modified so that when four or more races have been completed, a boat may exclude her worst score.

13. MEDIA RIGHTS

- 13.1 Competitors, owners, their crew, and guests give absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority and SportsPartner for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including, but not limited to TV advertisement, whatsoever for either editorial or commercial purposes or to be used in press information.
- 13.2 Competitors accept that the organizer may publish names and photos or films of the competitor on the Internet or other publications without compensation.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1 The Organizing Authority will honor with prizes, 1st, 2nd and 3rd boat in every class decided by the Race Committee according to point 8.1. Other prizes from sponsors or organizations may be available.

15. CONTACTS

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