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A-CAT OPEN BELGIAN NATIONALS

18-19-20h MAY 2024

NOTICE OF RACE

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The A-Cat class the IACA class rules will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the text in the English language will take precedence.
- 1.4 Every person on board who has his domicile in Belgium shall have the appropriate license.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration applies.
- 1.6 RRS 90.3(e) applies with a time limit of 48 hours. This changes RRS 90.3e
- 1.7 RRS 40.1 is applicable

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located near the Club House.

3 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to:
 - All A-Cat multihulls
 - All A-Cat flying multihulls
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter at the following website: www.rbsc.be
- 4.3 Competitors shall show during confirmation of registration:
 - A valid sailing licence
 - A valid insurance certificate
 - A valid membership of their class association (if any)
 - The measurement form of the boat (if any)
 - A valid authorization of advertising (if necessary)
 - A valid parents' permission for the minors (if necessary)

5 FEES

- 5.1 Required fees are as follows: € 40,00

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7 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

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9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 Registration: Saturday 18th May – 10:00 to 12:00 hours.
- 9.2 Dates of racing: Saturday 18th May - Sunday 19th May – Monday 20th May
- 9.3 Number of races a day: all classes: maximum 3
- 9.4 11.50 hrs briefing with the race director (optional)
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on 18th May is 12:55 hrs (launch from 12.10 hrs)
- 9.6 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hrs.

10 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate.

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12 VENUE

- 12.1 The race office is located at the following address: RBSC Duinbergen, Zeedijk 430A, 8301 Knokke-Heist. +32 50515593

13 THE COURSES

The course to be sailed will be as follows:

All classes : Windward/ leeward sausage courses with a gate.

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15 SCORING

- 15.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 (a) When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4, 5, or 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

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22 RISK STATEMENT

RRS3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, hypothermia or other causes.

23 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.500.000 per event or the equivalent.

24 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded by the RBSC.

A price is foreseen for the first 3 places in de A-Cat class non foiling

A price is foreseen for the first 3 places in de A-Cat class foiling

PRIZES WILL BE REWARDED ONLY TO TEAMS WHO ATTEND THE PRIZE GIVING (REPRESENTED BY THEMSELVES)

25 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other

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reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

26 FURTHER INFORMATION

For all further information please contact:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1 Social events: Saturday 18Th May – Diner participants on the beach.
- 2 Accommodation:
General informations are available on the web page from the local tourist office.
Early reservations are recommended as it is high season on the Belgium coast. Rbnb is the best option. It is advised to bring bikes to go from Hotel/Camping to beach area.
Tourist Office Knokke: Zeedijk Knokke 660 B 8300 Knokke-Heist
Tel. +32(0)50630380 Fax +32(0)50630390 <https://knokkeheist.com/en/>
- 3 Parking boats, trailers, rib's and car's.
When you arrive at the beachclub, ask a jeeper (at the clubhouse) to come and get your boat, **DO NOT drive with your car on the beach!**
To avoid any parking ticket(s), please make sure you park your car in the right place during the entire event.

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