

Notice of Race

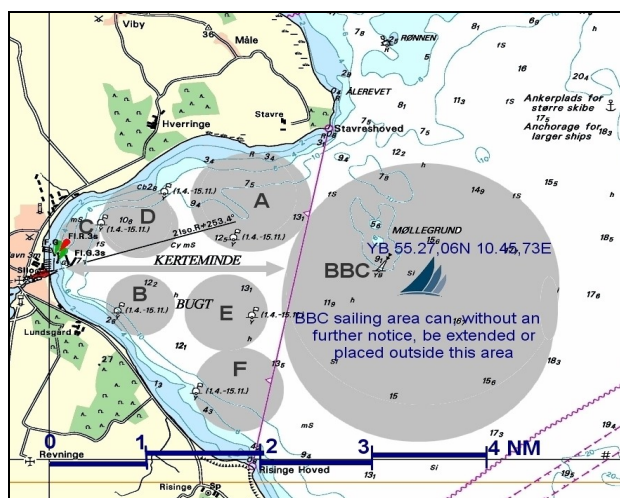
Big Boat Challenge

Kerteminde , Denmark

26th - 27th may, 2012



Kerteminde Sejklub



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The organizing authority, Kerteminde Sejlklub, Denmark invites owners of eligible yachts to enter the

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing, current edition (RRS). The applying prescriptions of the Scandinavian Sailing Association and the Danish Sailing Association will be incorporated into the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 DH-2011 (Danish Handicap) rating rules shall apply for boat using DH, and IRC-2012 section A, B and C shall apply for boats using IRC rating.
- 1.3 The Rules are changed as follows:
- RRS 30.2 and 30.3 will be changed by a prescription of the Scandinavian Sailing Association. The base of the triangle in these rules includes the extensions of the starting line to the starting vessel and to a control vessel in the opposite end.
 - RRS 44.1 are changed so that only one turn is required.
 - RRS 35, A4 and A5 will be changed to state, that boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in same start sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish.
 - RRS 60.1(a) will be changed to state, that a competitor can not protest another boat or competitor for breaches for some specific parts of the sailing instructions.
 - RRS 61.3 and 62.2 will be changed to fix the protest time to 90 minutes for competitors, protest committee as well as race committee.
 - RRS 62.1(a) will be changed by stating, that a deviation from planned sailing time shall not be reason for redress.
 - RRS A4 will be changed by stating, that at boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.
 - IRC 22.4 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

- 1.4 Advertising
ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code will apply.

On the race committees request all boats will be required to display one or more of the following:

- Bow numbers.
- Event and sponsor stickers on both sides of the bow (within 20%).
- Event and sponsor stickers on both sides of the boom.
- Event and sponsor flag permanently hoisted on the backstay.
- Race and circuit flag permanently hoisted on the backstay.

- 1.5 All boats shall carry an operating VHF radio.
- 1.6 The Danish Big Boat Series prescriptions will apply for boats who has confirmed they will participate in the Danish Big Boat Serie.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 This is an invitational regatta for bigboats with valid DH or IRC rating certificate. Both endorsed and non-endorsed IRC certificate will be accepted and compete in same race and result calculated equally. Any eligible yacht can request an entry with required information. The race committee will review interested yachts and will also issue unsolicited invitations within the regatta's capacity and on the basis of the yacht and its rating, its geographic location, its results so far, the crew, other entries and order of response. The goal is to end up with a harmonic fleet of entries consisting of big boats with a high racing potential and a fair close race among boats that are comparable.

2.2 The accepted boat entries will be divided into two classes by the race committee based upon the boat's physical characteristics. Each class will be separated into two fleets depending on the rating system (DH or IRC) as chosen by the boat.

An accepted boat entry can also be an entry in the Danish Big Boat Series if confirmed by the boat and will in that series compete in the same class and fleet in all regattas in the series, unless the boat retires from the series by its own choice. The results from BBC-2012 will be forwarded to other sailing series including the Danish Big Boat Series, but entry to BBC-2012 is not restricted by results and/or entry in these other sailing events.

Each regatta in the series requires individual accepted entry.

2.3 If a competitor is hindered (illness, traveling delay, physical damage a.s.o) before finishing the regatta, a substitute can take over if accepted by the racing committee after a written application.

2.4 Accept of invitation is lodging an entry whereby the entrant agrees to be bound by the rules, procedures and conditions of the event.

2.5 The fleet and races will be published in the competitor list handed out at registration. The boats will be arranged in fleets and races with common or separated start and calculation of result based upon the chosen rating. At entry the competitor shall choose either DH-TAUD or IRC-TCC as intended for the time being.

3 Fees

3.1 Entry fee: 280 Euro

4 Schedule

4.1 Registration in race office :

- Friday the 25th May at 16.00 – 20.00
- Saturday the 26th May at 07.00 – 09.00

Competitors will receive specification of documents to be presented at registration.

Regatta opening ceremony planned start:

- Friday the 26th May at 19.30

Prizegiving ceremony planned start:

- Sunday the 27th May – as soon as possible after last race.

4.2 Measuring:

- Measurements or requirements control can take place during the regatta at the organizers initiative, or as result of a valid protest.

- 4.3 Dates of racing:
Saturday the 26th May, - 3 races is planned.
Sunday the 27th May, - 2 races is planned.
- 4.4 Warning signal for first race both days is planned to 09.55.
Warning signal for following races will be given as soon as reasonable after the finishing of the last boat.
No warning signal will be given later than 14.00 on the last day of the regatta.
This timelimit can be changed by race committee until 18.00 the day before.

5 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid class certificate or measurement certificate.

- All sail numbers shall be in accordance with the national number as stated in the measurement certificate. Allowance for any exception shall be requested and accepted at the race committee before the race.
- It shall be noted at registration by the owner and accepted by the race committee, if the owner of the boat not is on-board during the races.
- The race committee cannot grant a dispensation from timely presentation of a valid DH-2011 or IRC-2012 certificate, but can act according to RRS 78.
- Rating and certificate must be given to race committee no later than 16 hours before planned warning signal of 1. st race. Rating cannot be changed thereafter unless it is correction of a error or result of a protest. It is the competitor responsibility that the boat is in the proper rating condition.
- The competitors final choice of rating rule (DH or IRC) shall be done no later than 20 days before planned warning signal of 1.st race, and cannot be changed without written request and written acceptance from the race committee. If the boat is participating in the Danish Big boat Serie it must not change rating rule during the serie.
- The valid rating certificate and / or rating will be the rating that is registered and public accessible in database at www.websejler.dk or www.ircrating.org
- Measurement protest will use Dansk Sejlunion (for DH) or RORC (for IRC) as authority.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

7 VENUES

- 7.1 Kerteminde Harbour will be the base for the regatta with free directed mooring at quay from 7 days before the regatta to 7 days after the regatta.
- 7.2 Courses will be sailed on the waters east of Kerteminde Bay as marked on the front-page map with planned racing area.

8 THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be a windward-leeward course (RRS appendix L add A) with separate up-wind starting line, separate downwind finishing line, down-wind gate and an offset mark after first up-wind mark. The planned sailing time for the first boat will be 60 minutes.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 are changed so that only one turn is required.
Arbitration hearing may be used if specified in sailing instructions.

10 SCORING regatta

- 10.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
There will be a result calculated for each fleet in each class.
The result is calculated by use of the DH-2011 TAUD or IRC TCC.
- 10.2 When more than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11 SCORING forwarded

The regatta scoring can be forwarded and published in the Danish Big Boat Series and other series, if approved by the boat and the series.

12 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats from 08.00 hrs. on the first racing day until the last boat finishes the last race, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission from the race committee.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications with race-related information not public available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, unless the communication is with the race committee. VHF-channel used for race committee communication to competitors during the race will be announced.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given to best scores for every 5 starting boats in each class and fleet. Prizes will be given according to result as known at the ceremony. Any further prizes given by race committee will be announced in sailing instructions.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See rule 4, 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.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of DKK 10.000.000 for persons and 2.000.000 for matriel damages per event or the equivalent. Insurancepolicy copy shall be presented at registration and so shall a declaration of ownership and use, if the owner not is onboard and responsible during the race.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact race committee as stated at www.bigboat.dk or send a e-mail to info@bigboat.dk