

Copenhagen SWAN Challenge
Skovshoved/Denmark
06-08 June 2008

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except as changed by these sailing instructions
- 1.2** The applying prescriptions of the Scandinavian Sailing Association and the Danish Sailing Association are incorporated into these sailing instructions.
- 1.3** ISAF Offshore Committee Special Regulations 2003 for Category 4 will apply.
- 1.4** Nautor Swan rating 2008 Rules and Regulations will apply.
- 1.5** The Racing rules will be changed as follows:
Rules 30.2 and 30.3 are changed by the prescription of the Scandinavian Sailing Association in no. 12.2.
Rules 35 and A4 are changed. See SI no. 16.3.
Rule 60.1(a) is changed. See SI no. 17.5.
Rules 61.3 and 62.2 are changed. See SI no. 17.2.
Rule 66 is changed. See SI no. 17.6.
Rule A4.1 is changed. See SI no. 12.3.
- 1.6** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1** Boats may be required to display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.3.1(b), Category C.

3 ELIGIBILITY, CLASSES AND RATING

- 3.1** The regatta is open to all Nautor Swan yachts.
- 3.2** The organisers will assign each yacht a TCF, derived from the Standard NSR 2008 Rating, based on filing a declaration of conformity to the standard boats list from RORC. Yachts failing to comply with this list, will be assigned a TFC by the organising committee. A list of competitors with the assigned ratings will be posted on the website www.balticseachallenge.dk as well as on the official notice board prior to the races.
- 3.3** If any boat holds a Nautor Swan Certificate, issued 2008 by RORC, showing a difference between the "Standard" TCF and the boat specific TCF, the Race Committee will consider to half the difference between the TCF's.
- 3.4** The fleet may be divided into classes

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the regatta tent.

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 08:15 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the clubhouse.

6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 The 4 races are scheduled as followed:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Race</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Warning signal</i>
Friday 06 June.			
Pantaenius Race day	Race 1	Class 1 and 2	09:50
Saturday 07 June			
Nautor Race day	Race 2	Class 1 and 2	09:50
Columbus Marine Race day	Race 3	Class 1 and 2	ASAP after the completion of the previous race
Sunday 08 June			
Gori Propeller Race Day	Race 4	Class 1 and 2	09:50

7.2 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 14:00 hours.

7.3 A skippers briefing and presentation of the course will be held every morning at 08:15 hours at the Racing tent.

8 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
Class 1	Numeral pennant #1
Class 2	Numeral pennant #2

9 RACING AREAS

Courses will be sailed I Øresund (Danish Chart No. 131, INT 1331).

10 THE COURSES

10.1 Race 1:

Offshore race, 30-60 NM. The configuration of the course for each class will be presented at the skippers meeting and will furthermore be posted on the Notice Board.

Race 2:

Windward/Leeward race with obstructions, 10-15 NM. The diagram in Attachment 1 shows the course, including the approximate angles between the legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

Race 3:

Windward/Leeward Race, 8-10 NM. The diagram in Attachment 2 shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

Race 4:

Inshore race, 15-40 NM. The configuration of the course for each class will be presented at the skippers meeting and will furthermore be posted on the Notice Board.

11 MARKS

11.1 Race 1 and 4:

Marks in the course will be navigational marks and/or inflated yellow or orange marks. Attachment 3 contains a list of the navigational marks, which can be used as marks, and the position of the inflated marks.

At the daily skippers meeting, a list of the marks that will be used for the day's race will be presented, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

A windward mark (Orange, inflated cylinder) will be laid approximate 0.5 NM to the windward from the starting line. The windward mark shall be passed as the first mark in the course.

A red or green flag will be displayed, to inform the competitors which way the mark shall be passed.

Red flag – port side

Green flag – starboard side.

Race 2 and 3:

Marks will be inflated yellow or orange cylinders.

- 11.2 The starting and finishing marks will be buoys with staffs displaying red flags with white chevrons.
- 11.3 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 13.2.

12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal given 10 minutes before the starting signal.
- 12.2 The base in the triangle mentioned in these rules shall be the starting line and the extension of the starting line to the starting vessel.
This changes RRS 30.1 and 30.2.
- 12.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.
- 12.4 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel 77 soonest possible after each start. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position or lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark. This changes rule 28.1.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between the finishing marks. The finishing vessel will display a blue flag.
- 14.2 Signal flag "H" displayed from the finishing vessel means: "Sail to the harbour. No more racing today."

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 15.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race office within the protest time limit.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 In race 1 and 4, the time limit for the first boat to finish in each class is 17:30 hours.
- 16.2 In race 2 and 3, the time limit for the first boat to finish in each class is three hours.
- 16.3 Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes + the difference in rated time between the actual yacht and the first yacht in the class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.1. The time limit will not be less than 60 minutes.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

- 17.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 17.3** Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located near the race office.
- 17.4** For the purpose of RRS 64.3(b) the “authority responsible” is the measurer appointed by the organizing authority.
- 17.5** Breaches of instructions 19, 20.1, 23, 24 and 25 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 17.6** On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) Within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) No later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
- This changes rule 66.

18 SCORING

- 18.1** Class finishing places will be calculated using each yacht’s corrected time calculated from:
Corrected time = Elapsed time x NSR TCF.
Fleet finishing places will be calculated using each yacht’s corrected speed calculated from:
Corrected Speed = Class Course Length / Corrected time.

- 18.2** 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1** Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2.
- 19.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19.3** Danish legislation requires every boat to be equipped with personal buoyancy for the numbers of persons on board at any time.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1** Change of helmsman is not allowed.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked with a “Hellerup Yacht club flag”.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1** Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay at least 100 meters from any racing yacht, from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

24 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 24.1** Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta from 08:00 hours on the first racing day until the last boat finishes the last race, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

25 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

25.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats from 08:00 hours on the first racing day and until the end of the regatta.

26 RADIO COMMUNICATION

26.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

27 PRIZES

27.1 A perpetual trophy will be awarded for the best fleet finishing place.

27.2 There will be daily prizes in both classes as well as an over all price, donated by the main sponsor.

27.3 There will be over all prizes for the three best fleet finishing places. The overall ranking will be used when calculating the final ranking for the “SWAN BALTIC SEA CHALLENGE part 2”.

28 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

28.1 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.

29 INSURANCE

29.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.000.000 per event or the equivalent.