

DRAGON GOLD CUP 2016

The Nations Cup, Corinthian Trophy and Børresen Memorial Trophy

26th August – 2nd September 2016

Hornbaek, Denmark

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The Dragon Gold Cup 2016 is organized by Hornbaek Bådeklub (HBK), the Royal Danish Yacht Club (KDY) and Hellerup Sejlklub (HS) in conjunction with the International Dragon Association and the Clyde Yacht Clubs' Association.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2.2 Furthermore, the following rules will apply:
 - a. the Dragon Gold Cup Rules,
 - b. the Nations Cup Rules,
 - c. the Børge Børresen Memorial Trophy Rules and
 - d. the Dragon Gold Cup Corinthian Trophy Rules

(See these rules here: http://www.intdragon.net/pdf/rules_IDA_Gold_Cup_Event_Rules.pdf)

- 2.3 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 2.4 The official language is English.
- 2.5 In the event of conflict between the notice of race and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions will prevail (this changes rule 63.7)

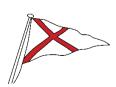
3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Race Office tent. Furthermore, notices will be posted on the regatta web site.











4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least two hours before the first scheduled warning signal for the first race of the day on which it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal mast in front of the club house.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. Boats are requested not to leave the harbor until Flag AP is lowered. This changes race signal AP.
- 5.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Registration, crew weighing, measurement and inspection, will take place Friday August 26th and Saturday August 27th between 08.00-17.00 Hrs. and Sunday August 28th between 08.00-11.00 Hrs.
- 6.2 Dates of racing:

Day and date	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Saturday August 27th	Practice Race (first warning signal)	12.00
Sunday August 28th	Racing (first warning signal)	12.00
Monday August 29th	Racing (first warning signal)	12.00
Tuesday August 30th	Racing (first warning signal)	12.00
Wednesday August 31st	Racing (first warning signal)	12.00
Thursday September 1st	Racing (first warning signal)	12.00
Friday September 2nd	Racing (first warning signal)	12.00

- 6.3 Six races are scheduled.
- 6.4 The schedule may be amended during the regatta to sail two races on any day if needed to complete the full schedule of races.
- 6.5 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be displayed on the Principal Committee Vessel and the pin end boat with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.6 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 15.00.
- 6.7 The Race Committee reserves the right to change times in Schedule 6.2.

7 CLASS FLAG

Class flag will be Signal Flag D.

8 RACING AREAS

8.1 Attachment A shows the location of racing area.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The courses will be windward-leeward. The diagram in Attachment B shows the course, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the principal committee vessel will display the approximate compass bearing and the length of the first leg.
- 9.3 The race will not be shortened before the end of the leg to Mark 1 for the second time. This changes rule 32.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2, 3a and 3b will be orange cylinders.
- 10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be yellow cylinders.









- 10.3 The starting line marks will be a Race Committee boat at the port end and the Principal Committee Vessel at the starboard end.
- 10.4 The Finishing marks will be a race committee boat at starboard end and an orange cylinder at port end.
- 10.5 A buoy, as provided in SI 12.3, will be a yellow cylinder.
- 10.6 A race committee boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 13.2.

11 REPORTING TO PRINCIPAL COMMITTEE VESSEL BEFORE STARTING

Before starting in each race, boats shall, while sailing on starboard tack, pass within 50 metres of the stern of the principal committee vessel. Boats failing to report may be scored "DNS".

12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using rule 26.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 12.3 When a buoy is laid either on the starting line side of the Principal Committee Vessel, or on the course side ahead of it, it is a limit mark and shall be left on the same side as the nearby vessel. Boats shall not pass between this buoy and the vessel at any time.
- 12.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 12.5 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, rule 29.1 will not apply to that boat and she shall be disqualified without a hearing (UFD) but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rules 26 and 29.1.
- 12.6 The race committee boats on, or in the vicinity of the starting line, may maintain their position by using their engine(s) and action taken by racing boats to avoid them shall not be grounds for redress under rule 62.1(a).
- 12.7 If a boat fails to start or breaks rule 30.3 or SI 12.5, the race committee at Mark 1 may make a sound signal and display her sail number. Failure to make the signal or display the sail number will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rules 62.1(a) and A5.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable or move finishing line. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2 When changing the leeward leg, the Race Committee may move the original marks (M3a/M3b) instead of using new marks.
- 13.3 If necessary, in order to improve the angle or distance between the gate marks (M3a/M3b), the Race Committee can adjust these marks without signalling a change of course.
- 13.4 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between the orange cylinder and a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat.
- 14.2 If the race committee at the finishing position displays code flag "E", this means that another race will begin as soon as possible. This changes rule race signals.











15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 15.2 Appendix P will apply. Rule P2.3 will not apply and rule P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 Time limits are as follows:

5 hours

Time Limit first boatMark 1 Time Limit

75 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 for the first time within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. This changes rule 62.1(a).

16.2 Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 A boat intending to protest must inform the race committee finish boat immediately after finishing. If the protester does not finish the race he shall inform the Race Committee Boat as soon as possible or the Race Office and immediately after arriving ashore.
- 17.2 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.3 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after no more racing today has been signaled or the last boat has finished the last race of the day or after instruction 16.2 has been applied to that race, whichever is later. The same protest time applies to all protests by the race committee and jury and requests for redress. This changes Rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 17.4 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the harbour master's office beginning as soon as possible.
- 17.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b). By the display of such notice, competitors shall be considered adequately informed of a protest by the race committee or the jury.
- 17.6 The International Jury may go afloat each day to observe racing. In the interest of reducing the number of protests and encouraging the taking of penalties, jury members may blow a whistle when they see what they believe to be a breach of the RRS. They may initiate a protest, act as a witness in a protest lodged by a yacht, or take no action as a result of what they have seen. Failure by jury members to blow a whistle after an incident is not an indication that they do not consider that there was a breach of the rules and arguments to that effect in a protest hearing will not be considered.
- 17.7 A list of boats that have been penalized under Appendix P for breaking rule 42 will be posted.
- 17.8 For the purposes of rule 64.3(b) the "authority responsible" is the Measurer or Equipment Inspector appointed by the organizing authority.
- 17.9 Breaches of instructions 11, 15.1, 19, 20, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28 and 29 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 Jury so decides.
- 17.10 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.











This changes rule 66.

- (c) On the last day, within 30 minutes after the abandonment signal is displayed if racing is abandoned ashore, or within 120 minutes after the abandonment signal is displayed if abandoned afloat This changes rule 66.
- 17.11 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2 No races shall be discarded.
- 18.3 For the application of RRS Appendix A, the number of boats entered in the series shall be the number of entries confirmed at registration.
- 18.4 Rule A4.2 is amended. A boat that did not start, did not finish or retired after finishing shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats confirmed at registration. A boat disqualified shall be scored additional points equal to 10% of the number of boats confirmed at registration, fractions being raised to the next highest whole number
- 18.5 Rule A8 is amended. In the event of a tie on total points between two or more yachts, the tie shall be broken in favor of the yacht or yachts with the most first places and, when the tie remains, the most second places and so on until all ties are broken. If the tie still remains it shall stand as part of the final result and each of the joint winners shall hold the Gold Cup for an equal time until the next Gold Cup.
- 18.6 If less than four races are sailed, the Dragon Gold Cup and the Nations Cup shall not be awarded.
- 18.7 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The boat shall complete a retirement declaration form at the protest desk on return ashore.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the jury. Change of crew requires re-weighing of the whole crew according to Int. Dragon Class Rules.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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 equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 BOAT IDENTIFICATION

Participants shall display stickers supplied by the organizing authority at registration. Stickers shall be placed in accordance with the accompanying instructions.

23 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:CategoryFlaRace Committee BoatsWJury BoatsWMeasurer BoatWPress BoatsW

<u>Flag</u> White flag with Race Official White Flag with JURY White flag with Measurer White flag with Press











24 SUPPORT BOATS

- 24.1 Support boats (which term shall include coach, press, private and spectator boats) shall register at the Race Office during the registration period (SI 7.1) and be issued with an identity flag, such flag to be worn at all times when afloat. The person in charge of the competing boat to which support boats are attached shall acknowledge the presence of a support boat on his registration form and pay any fee for the support boat decided by the OA.
- 24.2 Subject to SI 25.6, team leaders, coaches and other support boats shall stay more than 100 meters to leeward of the starting line and from the leeward marks and from any racing Dragon from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished the last race of the day, or all races are abandoned. Support boats may be allowed up the course on one specified side only if special dispensation has been granted by the IDA (via application to the Jury) for reasons of safety, health, tourism, spectating, or sponsor's request. Such boats applying for dispensation may not have a coach or ISAF category 3 sailor on board. Support boats that have been granted dispensation will be issued with a different colour flag to ordinary Support / Coach boats.
- 24.3 Any Support boats entering the restricted area or impeding a competitor shall be liable to a penalty imposed on their competing boat(s) for breach of this SI.
- 24.4 Support boats shall not pass any information by any means whatsoever to competitors who are racing (rule 41).
- 24.5 Communication by radio (including mobile phones) is prohibited between competitors and any Support boats. Support boats shall not communicate with or transfer goods or equipment to or from, their competing boats from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 24.6 At all times, support boats shall comply with the directions given by the Race Committee. In particular, this includes assisting with rescues when requested to do so.
- 24.7 Support boats must be on call on VHF Channel 74 at all times.
- 24.8 Coach/support boats shall not tow competitors out to the race course (unless requested to by the Race Committee) and may only tow boats in after the last competitor has finished or retires from the last race of the day or SI 16.2 has been applied.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats. Rule 55 is altered in that a penalty for a breach of this rule is at the discretion of the jury.

26 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the harbour.

27 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

All boats shall be afloat before 11.00 August 28th and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury.

28 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

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

29 RADIO COMMUNICATION

29.1 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 telephones and smart phones.











- 29.2 The Race Committee may use VHF radio to communicate to the Fleet, including the starting area, countdown to the start, OCS bow/sail numbers (to be communicated at least 2 minutes after the start), general recalls, flag U, black flag DSQs and Postponement.
- 29.3 Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to hear them shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 29.4 VHF 74 will be used to communicate with competitors.

30 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as stated in the Notice of Race.

31 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.

32 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.000.000 € (one million Euro) per incident or the equivalent. Competitors are advised to have their own personal accident insurance.

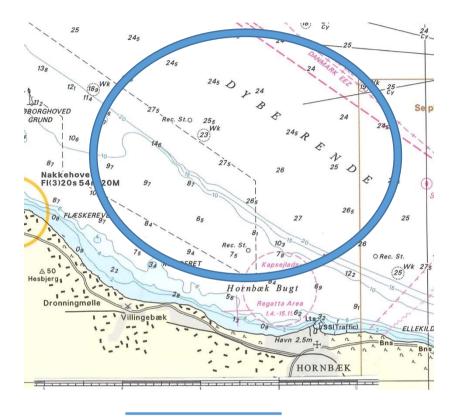
33 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

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 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.





ADDENDUM A - THE RACING AREA

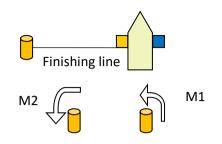


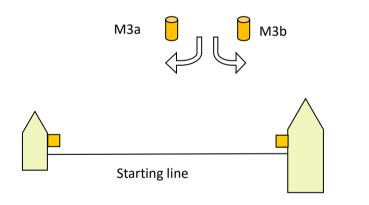
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ADDENDUM B - THE COURSE

Course: Start - M1 - M2 - M3a/M3b - M1 - M2 - M3a/M3b - Finish





Principal Committee Vessel

All course marks shall be left to port, except marks M3a/M3b which shall comply with Rule 28.2 Distance between mark 1 and mark 2: 0.07 NM approx. Angle between upwind leg and bearing from mark 1 to mark 2: 100° approx

Note: This drawing is schematic. The distances and mark positions are not to scale.





