



# "DART 18 DUTCH NATIONALS 2017" 2017 OPEN DUTCH DART18 CHAMPIONSHIP OCTOBER 14 - 15, 2017 Muiderzand – the Netherlands

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

*The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Zeilvereniging De Roerkoning, in conjunction with the Dutch Dart 18 Class Organization (NDKO) under auspices of the Royal Netherlands Yachting Union (RNYU).*

- [DP]** Denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS rule 63.1.
- [NP]** Denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS rule 60.1(a).
- [SP]** Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing". This changes RRS rule 63.1 and RRS appendix A5.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The 'Rules for Championships Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding' will apply.
- 1.3 The following sailing instructions contain changes to the RRS rules: SI 4.2, 4.3, 11.5, 12.2, 14.1, 15.3, 15.4, 16.2, 16.5, 16.6, 16.7, 18.2, and 22.3.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the text in the original language (English) will take precedence.
- 1.5 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall have the required license.



### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, in the 'clubhouse' of Zeilvereniging De Roerkoning / Sail Today.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS


- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 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.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole(s) in front of the 'clubhouse' of Zeilvereniging De Roerkoning / Sail Today.
- 4.2 When flag AP  is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in RRS 'Race Signal AP'.
- 4.3 Flag Y  will not be displayed ashore, RRS rule 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble and RRS rule 40.1.



## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The skippers briefing for the first day will be held at 11:00 in front of the Clubhouse on Saturday October 14.
- 5.2 A total of 8 races with 4 races per day are scheduled.
- Saturday October 14 4 races (back-to-back) 1<sup>st</sup> race 11:55
  - Sunday October 15 4 races (back-to-back) 1<sup>st</sup> race 10:55
- The times shown are the times of the first warning signal.  
Except if races have been postponed on previous day(s), up to a maximum of 5 races per day may be scheduled.
- 5.3 On Saturday no warning signal will be made after 18:00 hours. On Sunday, no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hours.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five (5) minutes before the warning signal is displayed.
- 5.5 When races will be sailed 'back-to-back', flag AP  will be displayed on the water with two sounds at the time of the first finisher of that race and this flag will be lowered with one sound, one (1) minute before the warning signal of the next race.


## 6 CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING SEQUENCE

- 6.1 The class flag will be a white flag with the Dart 18 Class insignia.

## 7 RACING AREA AND STARTING AREA

- 7.1 The location of the racing area will be on the IJmeer, just north of the Marina Muiderzand.
- 7.2 The starting area has been defined as an area 100 meters to leeward and 100 meters to windward and 50 meters on both extensions of the starting line.

## 8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The course diagram in Appendix A shows the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 The course length and the angles between the legs will be adjusted for wind conditions.
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed on a black board with a yellow number.
- 8.4 If the leg of the course to the windward mark is changed, mark 1a (offset mark) will not be used any longer in that race and shall be eliminated from the table (and diagram) in Appendix A. The new mark shall be interpreted as mark 1, leaving it to port.
- 8.5 If one of the two 'top' marks 1 or 1a is missing, mark 1a shall be eliminated from the table (and diagram) in Appendix A. The remaining mark shall be interpreted as only mark 1, leaving it to port.
- 8.6 If one of the two marks of the gate (4s or 4p) is missing, the remaining mark shall be interpreted as mark 4p, leaving it to port. In that case the definition of table (and diagram) in Appendix A will be changed eliminating one gate mark (4s), and substituting the gate for the only remaining mark (4p) to be kept to port.
- 8.7 Shortening with code flag T  :  
When a RC boat stationed near a mark to be rounded displays code flag T this mark shall be rounded at the side indicated in the SI continued by, "sail directly to the finishing line and finish".

## 9 MARKS




- 9.1 Marks 1, 4s and 4p are orange cylinders. Mark 1a is a (smaller) yellow cylinder.
- 9.2 The starting marks will be a yellow cylinder and the race committee signal boat.
- 9.3 The finishing marks will be a yellow cylinder and the race committee signal boat.



## **10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

10.1 There are no areas of designated obstructions.

## **11 THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard-end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3 To port of the port-end of the starting line a second race committee boat may be stationed which may repeat the following visual signals: flags AP , X  and First Substitute . Signals from the race committee signal boat at the starboard-end of the line will always prevail.
- 11.4 **[NP] [DP] [SP]** Boats whose warning signal has not been given shall avoid the starting area (for definition starting area refer to SI 7.2).
- 11.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS appendices A4 and A5.

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.
- 12.2 A race committee boat signalling the change may be positioned near the mark (or gate). Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS rule 28.1.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the starboard-end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

## **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 RRS rule 44.1 is changed so that the "Two-Turns Penalty" is replaced by the "One-Turn Penalty".

## **15 TIME LIMITS**

- 15.1 Time limits are as follows:
- Time limit Mark 1: 20 minutes
  - Time limit: 75 minutes
  - Target time: 40 minutes
- 15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit or if no boat has finished within the time limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS rule 62.1(a).
- 15.4 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS rule 35 and RRS appendices A4 and A5.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and request for redress shall be delivered within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is ninety (90) minutes after the last boat has (correctly) finished the last race of that day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and jury and to requests for redress. This changes RRS rules 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 15 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 Regatta Office, according to the posted schedule. The witnesses (if any) can only be heard,



if they are in calling distance of the Jury Room at the time of the hearing concerned.

- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 On the last day of the series a request for reopening a hearing or a protest decision in writing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting the decision on the previous day, (b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS rules 65 and 66.
- 16.6 A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes RRS rule 65.2.
- 16.7 A request for correction of an error in the published results has to be delivered within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 60 minutes after posting of the results, if this is later. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the boat is informed that the request is not granted. This changes RRS rule 62.2.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 Eight (8) races are scheduled, of which four (4) races shall be completed to constitute a championship and series.
- 17.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **18 [NP] [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 Safety regulations will apply as written in the Notice of Race (NoR 18). All the mentioned safety requirements shall not be removed after finishing and arrival on the beach until it is clear that the race committee will stop the safety inspections.
- 18.2 Boats in distress: A boat, capsized or otherwise in distress, has to ask for help, if necessary. However committee or rescue boats will take their responsibility and assist if a boat is unable to resume racing again within 10 minutes time, or they will help earlier for safety reasons. If a committee or rescue boat assists a boat, capsized or otherwise in distress, this will be seen as help under RRS rule 41(a).
- 18.3 **[SP]** A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee on the water if possible and shall in all cases inform the Regatta Office as soon as possible, but ultimately within the protest time limit.

## **19 [NP] [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Officer (or appointed delegate).
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Officer (or appointed delegate). Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Officer (or appointed delegate) at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **20 [DP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 20.1 In accordance with RRS 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of RRS 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event.
- 20.2 Any boat may be scrutineered at random, either before the first race or at any other time during the event. If a boat fails scrutineering, the Technical Committee may protest. Penalties for these breaches, may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 20.3 Failure to comply with scrutineering may result a protest by the Technical Committee. Penalties for these breaches, may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.



## **21 [NP] [DP] EVENT ADVERTISING**

- 21.1 Boats shall display stickers of this event, if provided by the Organizing Authority, while afloat, on the outsides of both hulls just behind the bridge bow fittings.

## **22 [NP] [DP] OFFICIAL BOATS**

- 22.1 Race committee boats will fly a white flag with letters RC.  
22.2 Rescue boats will fly an orange colored flag with text Rescue.  
22.3 Competing boats shall not interfere with committee or rescue boats. Actions by official boats shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat. This changes RRS rule 60.1 (b).

## **23 [NP] [DP] SUPPORT BOATS**

- 23.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **24 [NP] [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 24.1 Trash may be placed aboard official boats (or support boats).

## **25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS (not applicable / spare)**

## **26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS (not applicable / spare)**

## **27 [NP] [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

- 27.1 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.

## **28 PRIZES**

- 28.1 Helmsman and crew of the winning boat of the championship acquire the title "Dutch Champion" and receive the accompanying medal(s) of the RNYU.  
28.2 The responsible person of the winning boat acquires the Blue Pennant of the RNYU.  
28.3 The winners will receive the perpetual trophy from the NDKO.  
28.4 Helmsman and crew of the boats that are placed second and third acquire also medal(s) of the RNYU.  
28.5 Prizes will only be rewarded if the crew (and not their representatives) is present at the awards ceremony to be held on Sunday evening.

## **29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 29.1 Competitors will participate in the 2017 Open Dutch Dart 18 Championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 2017 Open Dutch Dart 18 Championship.

## **30 INSURANCE**

- 30.1 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.

## **31 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

- 31.1 By participating in the 2017 Open Dutch Dart 18 Championship, 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.

## Appendix A (the courses):



### Signal Course Mark rounding order (course: LRA)

1	LRA1	Start - 1 - 1a - 4p - Finish
2	LRA2	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4p - Finish
3	LRA3	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4p - Finish
4	LRA4	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4p - Finish
5	LRA5	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4p - Finish

