OPEN 470 CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

ISTANBUL – 28^{TH} AUGUST – 6^{TH} SEPTEMBER 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

The Istanbul Sailing Club in co-operation with the International 470 Class Association and the Turkish Sailing Federation is pleased to invite 470 sailors to take part in the

Open 470 European Championship for men and mixed crews and the **Open Women's 470 European Championship** for women crews,

to be held at **Istanbul** (Turkey) from **28th August to 6th September 2010**.

1. – Rules

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the 2009-2012 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing.
- **1.2** No prescription of the Turkish Sailing Federation will apply.
- **1.3** The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply to the extent they are referenced into the International 470 Class Rules.
- **1.4** No Racing Rule change requiring advance preparation will apply. Racing Rule changes will appear in the sailing instructions.
- **1.5** The Medal race of the Gold fleet will be subject to on-the-water umpiring according to Racing Rule Addendum Q.
- **1.6** No Class Rule change will apply.
- **1.7** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. – Advertising

2.1 - Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. – Eligibility and entry

3.1 – The regatta is open to boats of the 470 Class and to competitors who comply with the ISAF Regulation 19. Each crew member of a competing boat shall be national or ordinarily resident of the nation where the National Authority the crew intends to represent is established.

Participating crews in the regatta shall be designated by their National 470 Class Association, or by their National Authority where there is no National Association. Only crews in good standing with the International 470 Class Association may participate: each crew member shall be member of a National 470 Class Association affiliated to the National Authority, or of the International 470 Class Association when there is no National Association in the concerned country. According to the International 470 Class Association rules, crew modifications may be accepted up to the start of the regatta.

The Open Event is open to all nations, but only crews from European nations, or from nations of the Mediterranean Basin having a National 470 Class Association, may take part in the European Championships.

Boats shall comply with the Class Rules and have a valid measurement form. The sail number shall conform to the Class Rules.

3.2 – Eligible boats shall fill in the relevant "Request for Entry" posted on the website of the International 470 Class Association (<u>www.470.org/events</u>), and pay the corresponding entry fees. A request for entry becomes a valid pre-entry when the relevant National 470 Class Association, or the National Authority where there is no National Association, has confirmed to the International 470 Class Association that the corresponding crew has effectively been designated to take part in the Championship and meets the eligibility criteria, and when the International 470 Class Association has received the payment of the entry fees. The International 470 Class Association will publish the list of pre-entries on its website. Only crews with valid pre-entry in the list may take part in the Open Event, provided their pre-entry be confirmed on site.

The request for entry shall be filled in and the entry fees shall be paid before **25th July 2010** to get the advantage of the reduced entry fees (refer to 5.1).

- 3.3 Entries sent after the deadline indicated here above, but within 14 days of the start of the regatta, will be accepted with the required entry fees. Late entries received within 14 days of the start of the regatta will be accepted only at the discretion of the International 470 Class Association, whose decision shall be final.
- **3.4** Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations shall fill in the entry form posted on <u>www.470.org/events</u> before **10th August 2010**. They shall pay their entry fees at the same time (refer to 5.1).

4. – Classification

No classification requirements will apply (see Racing Rule 79)

5. - Fees

5.1 – Required entry fees are 400 Euro per boat.

These entry fees are reduced to **300 Euro per boat** for boats having filled in their request for entry and paid their entry fees are paid before **25th July 2010**.

Entry fees to be paid by coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations are **50 Euro per person.**

These entry fees include all collective services provided for the organisation, such as social events, car park, boat park, toilets and showers.

Entry fees shall be paid at the same time the request for entry is sent, to:

"470 International"

1) by On-Line Secure Credit Card Payments via "PayPal payments" button on <u>www.470.org</u>

Account nr.: payments@470.org

or

2) by bank transfer to "470 International" account header: 470 International bank: 30003 – branch: 02206 - account number: 00050460897 04 IBAN: FR76 30003 02206 00050460897 04 SWIFT: SOGEFRPP Bank address: SOCIETE GENERALE 3 rue du Pavé de Meudon – 92370 - Chaville - France

Please, advise of transfer by email to payments@470.org

6. – Regatta format

- **6.1** The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series for each category (men and mixed, women), all boats taking part in the qualifying series and in the final series.
- **6.2** For the qualifying series, crews will be divided into fleets. The number of fleets will be defined to have a number of boats per fleet as close as possible to 35 for men and mixed crews and to 30 for women crews. This means that only one fleet will be organised if less than 48 men and mixed crews and/or less than 40 women crews have entered. The number of entries taken into account to define the number of fleets per category will be the best-known one at the beginning of the last day for entry confirmation on site.
- **6.3** Crews will be divided into qualifying fleets approximately of similar level and size, initially according to their positions in previous international races and to the national ranking lists provided by the National Associations at the time of registration, by a seeding committee chaired by the International 470 Class Association and including two or three coaches of national teams, then daily revised according to race results.

- 6.4 For the final series, crews in the qualifying series will be divided into final fleets Gold, Silver, Bronze,..., according to the final scores of the qualifying series. The fleets will have approximately the same number of crews each. Gold fleet will consist of the first part of the final scores of the qualifying series, Silver fleet of the second part, and so on.
- **6.5** On the last day, the first ten crews of the fleet Gold at the end of the day before the last day will sail the "Medal" race, whereas the other crews of this fleet will sail the "Last" race and the crews of the other fleets will continue to sail their final races.

7. - Schedule

- **7.1 Registration: 28th, 29th and 30th August 9:00 18:00** Each competitor shall confirm his/her entry at the Race Office.
- **7.2 Pre-race measurement inspections: 28th, 29th and 30th August 9:00 18:00 Each boat shall be inspected by the Measurement Committee before the first race.**
- 7.3 Opening Ceremony: 30th August 20:00

7.4 - Qualifying series: 31st August, 1st and 2nd September

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is **12:00** on **31st August**. Six races per fleet over three days (no more than three races a day). The qualifying series will be prolonged for fleets not having sailed six races within three days.

7.5 - Final series: 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th September

Seven final races per fleet over four days (no more than three races a day), with at least one race per fleet organised the last day, and including the Medal race and the Last race of the fleet Gold organised the last day.

When only one fleet is organised (refer to article 6.2), the qualifying series will be deleted and the final series will be sailed from (include dates on seven days), which will consist of thirteen races over seven days for each crew (no more than three races a day), including the Medal race and the Last race organised the last day.

No warning signal will be given after **17:00** on the last day.

7.6 - Closing Ceremony: 6th September, as soon as possible after the last race.

8. - Measurements

8.1 - Each boat shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate, including the completed Measurement Form, at the time of pre-race measurement inspections. If the completed Measurement Form is a photocopy, its authenticity shall be confirmed with an original stamp and signature from the issuing authority. If a boat is to produce a measurement certificate in accordance with Racing Rule 78.2, she shall do so before 18:00 on 2nd September. Racing Rule 78.2 is changed by substituting the words "the end of the event" with the words "18:00 on 2nd September".

- **8.2** Pre-race measurement inspections will consist of, at least:
 - full inspections of boats used by crews within the Top 30 of the ISAF Men's ranking list or within the Top 20 of the ISAF Women's ranking list,
 - full inspections of not less than 10 other boats per category, chosen at random by the Regatta Chief Measurer,
 - for the other boats, inspections shall include at least: the weight of the complete boat (Class Rule C.6.1), the conformance of the hull and sails to the measurement certificate and to Class Rules B.4.2, C.17.3, C.17.4, D.1.4, G.2.2 and G.3.1 (identification marks on hull and sails), Class Rules C.12.3(a)(11)&(12) and C.13.3(a)(5)&(6) (stoppers and limit marks on spars), and any specific inspections requested by crews for their own boats. The regatta Chief Measurer may request additional inspections on a case by case basis.

Pre-race measurement inspection proceedings will be posted on the official notice board the day before the first day for these inspections, and made available to competitors, team leaders and coaches at the Race Office.

8.3 - In accordance with Racing Rule 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Measurement inspections at random during the regatta will be organised.

9. – Sailing instructions

The sailing instructions will be delivered to competitors at the time of registration at the Race Office.

10. - Venue

The regatta site is located to

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11. – The courses

Except for the Medal race of the Gold fleet, course types will be the Olympic courses applicable to 470s, i.e. the Olympic trapezoid (with outer loop or with inner loop). Length of courses will be adapted according to wind strength in order to have an expected race duration of sixty minutes for the leading boat.

For the Medal race of the Gold fleet, course types will be windward-leeward courses with two or three loops and a leeward reach to finish. Length between marks and number of loops will be chosen according to wind strength in order to have an expected race duration of thirty minutes for the leading boat.

12. – Penalty system

- **12.1** Racing Rule Appendix P will apply.
- **12.2** Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in Racing Rule 70.5.

13. - Scoring

13.1 - When a qualifying series and a final series are organised,

- (a) at least four qualifying races are required to be completed for each fleet to constitute the qualifying series and to enter the final series;
- (b) at least two final races for the fleet Gold are required to be completed to constitute the regatta series for all fleets and/or to enter the Medal race and the Last race.

Race scores from those qualifying races completed by all fleets will be carried forward to the regatta series.

- **13.2** When no qualifying series is organised, at least six races are required to be completed for the fleet to constitute the regatta series and/or to enter the Medal race and the Last race.
- **13.3** Each series score will be established as follows:
 - when fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores,
 - when four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

The Medal race cannot be discarded as the worst score, and the points for this Medal race are multiplied by:

- 2 when more than eight qualifying and final races have been completed,
- 1,5 when seven or eight qualifying and final races have been completed,
- 1 when less than seven qualifying and final races have been completed.

The boats competing in the Last race will receive ten points more than their place for this race.

13.4 - There will be only one final official ranking list for the Open Event in each category (men and mixed, women). The crews having entered the Medal race (or the first ten crews of the fleet Gold) will rank the first ten places, the first crew having entered the Last race (or the crew ranked eleventh of the fleet Gold) will rank eleventh, the first crew of Silver fleet will rank a place after the last crew of Gold fleet, the first crew of Bronze fleet will rank a place after the last crew of Silver fleet, and so on. Then, the final official ranking lists of the European Championship for the men and mixed crews and of the Women's European Championship will be deducted from the respective final official ranking lists of the Open Event, by deleting the crews who are not originating from a European nation, or from a nation of the Mediterranean Basin having a National 470 Class Association.

13.5 - A boat assigned to compete in the Medal race of the fleet Gold shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish. The penalty for a breach of this instruction will be ranking the boat tenth in the regatta.

14. – Support boats

- **14.1** Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations shall confirm their registration at the Regatta Office before the first racing day. They shall provide at the same time the Regatta Office with their national flag (around 120 cm x 80 cm) and their national anthem on CD-ROM, for the Opening Ceremony.
- **14.2** Support boats shall fly a flag with their three national letters clearly displayed, or shall be permanently marked with a sticker of their three national letters on each side of the boat.

15. – Prizes and titles

Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third crews of the Open Event by the Istanbul Sailing Club

The first crew of the final official ranking list of the European Championships will be declared:

"470 Class European Champion" and "470 Class Women's European Champion"

Medals will be awarded to the first, second and third crews of each Championship by the International 470 Class Association.

Special memento will be awarded to the first crew of the fleet Silver and of the subsequent fleets (if any) by the Istanbul Sailing Club

16. – Disclaimer of liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rule 4, Decision to race. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the regatta organisation 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.

17. – Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 500.000 Euro per event or equivalent.

A certificate of such insurance shall be shown during registration.

18. – Accommodation and miscellaneous

- Tents are not allowed in the Club premisses.
- Campers are allowed with 15 EUR/day parking fee (electricity is subject to extra charge)
- Limited number of beds are available in the ISC dormitories (with 4-10 beds shared basis + shower & toilet and AC)
- For easier customs formalities Organizers strongly advices all participants to bring their equipment with A.T.A. Carnet.

Marmara sea of Istanbul sees wind conditions N-NE from 8-15 knots (thermic) with water temperature 23-24 degrees Celcius during the Championship period.

For all accommodation reservation please address to:

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