

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Open Dutch Championship Sharpie class Dutch Championship Randmeer class Class Championship G2 class

Organised by Koninklijke Watersportvereniging Sneek (KWS) in conjunction with the Royal Netherlands Watersport Association (RNWA)

from 11th September to 13th September (inclusive) 2015

location: Sneekermeer

1 RULES

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- **1.2** The 'Rules for Championships Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding' will apply.
- **1.3** The International Sharpie Class Rules, the Randmeer Class Rules and the G2 Class Rules will apply
- **1.4** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- **1.5** Every person on board who has his domicile in the Netherlands shall have the appropriate license.
- **1.6** In all rules governing this regatta;
 - (a) [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury; and
 - (b) [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. The Regatta Office

The Regatta Office is situated at the "Starteiland" at the "Roerkoning". The "Starteiland" can be reached by a ferry.

Address: Kolmeersland 3, 8626 GH Offingawier . Phone: +31 515 432375

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

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

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 08.30 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 21.00 on the day before it will take effect.





5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **5.1.** Signal made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole on top of the regatta office.
- **5.2.** When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- **5.3.** Flag D with one sound means "Boats are requested not to leave the harbour when this signal is made. The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag D is lowered

6. QUALIFICATION RACES

When at the entry closing date in the Randmeer class there are more than 35 entries the regatta may consist of a qualifying series and final series. This will be announced Thursday 11th September 20.00 at the latest on the announcement board.

The first 3 races of the series will then be treated as a qualifying series. In such case Appendix C of these sailing instructions will apply.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1. Racing schedule:

Date	Warning signal		
Friday September 11th	race 1 12.55	race 2 asap	race 3 asap only Randmeer
Saturday September 12th	race 3 09.55 race 4 Randmeer	race 4 asap race 5 Randmeer	race 5 asap race 6 Randmeer
Sunday september 13th	race 6 09.55 race 7 Randmeer	race 7 asap race 8 Randmeer	

- **7.2.** The Randmeer will be the first class to start.
- **7.3**. If there are qualification races in the Randmeer class the 2nd group will start after a valid start of the 1st group.
- **7.4**. The Sharpie will start after a valid start of the Randmeer class.
- **7.5.** The G2 class will start after a valid start of the Sharpie class.
- **7.6.** One extra race per day may be sailed.
- **7.7.** There are a total number of 8 races scheduled for the Randmeer class and 7 races or the Sharpie and the G2 class
- **7.8.** 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 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- **7.9.** Each race for which the warning signal has not been given by 20.00 will not be sailed on that day.
- **7.10.** On Sunday September 13th no warning signal will be made after 15.00, unless a valid championship has not been realized.





8. CLASS FLAG

Class flag for the Randmeer class will be Code flag R Class flag for the Sharpie class will be Code flag W Class flag for the G2 class will be Code flag G

If there are qualification races in the Randmeer class at the same time with the class flag, the flag(s) of the groups will be shown. See also attachment C.

9. RACING AREA

The races will be held at the Sneekermeer. Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.

10. THE COURSES

- **10.1** The diagram in Attachment B shows the course, including 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.
- 10.2 Marks 1, 3 and 5 will be red cylindrical buoys with an arbitrary odd number.

 Marks 2 and 4 will be yellow cylindrical buoys with an arbitrary even number.
- **10.3** The starting marks will be a race committee boat and a spar buoy.
- **10.4** The finishing marks will be a spar buoy and a race committee boat.
- **10.5** A new mark will be a green mark.
- **10.6** A new gate will be marks of the same colour with other arbitrary numbers.

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 spar buoy with an orange flag on starboard and a staff with an orange flag on a race committee boat on port.
- **11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4 and A5.
- 11.5 If flag "U" has been displayed, 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, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed. This changes rule 26. When flag "U' is used as preparatory signal RRS 29.1 Individual recall does not apply. The scoring abbreviation for a flag U penalty is UFD. This changes A11 Scoring Abbreviations.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark, lay a new gate or move the finishing line. When a new mark is laid, the original mark will be removed as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- **12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to starboard and the race committee boat to port. This changes rule 28.1.
- **12.3** The courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.





13 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat on port and a nearby spar buoy with a blue flag on starboard.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 Time limits are as follows:

target time	time limit
60 minutes	90 minutes

- **14.2** Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 14.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **15.3** Protest forms are available at the regatta office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.4 For each class/group the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat in that class/group has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.5 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 at the regatta office.
- **15.6** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.7 Breaches of instruction with [DP] 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.
- 15.8 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.
- 15.9 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- **15.10** A request for a decision in writing has to be delivered within one hour after the decision is given verbally. This changes rule 65.2.
- **15.11** 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 rule 62.2.





16 SCORING

Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- (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.

17 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- **17.1** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- **17.2** Boats not leaving the harbor for a day's race shall inform the regatta office prior to the start
- 17.3 If any one of the race signals AP over A, AP over H, N over H, or N over A is made on a race committee boat, all boats of the class(es) concerned shall return to the harbor immediately.
- **17.4** While afloat it is strongly recommended to wear adequate personal buoyancy under all circumstances.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- **18.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. Replacement of the responsible person is not allowed
- **18.2** (Only for Randmeer Class) 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.

19 [DP] 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.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Committee boats shall be marked with a Club flag of the KWS. "Rescue" boats shall be marked with an orange flag with the text: "Standby" and Club flag of the KWS.

21 [NP][DP] SUPPORT BOATS

Except in case of emergency, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and shall not communicate with boats 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.

Support boats shall be marked with the national flag of the country they represent.

22 [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. A penalty of breaking rule 55 may be less than qualification if the protest committee so decides.





23 [NP][DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keel boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

24 [NP][DP] 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.

25 [NP][DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

26 PRIZES

Helmsman and crew of the winning boat of the championship in the Sharpie and Randmeer Classes acquire the title "Dutch Champion" and receive the accompanying medal(s) of the RNWA.

The responsible person and the crew of the winning boat acquires the Blue Pennant of the RNWA.

Helmsman and crew of the boats that are places second and third acquire also medal(s) of the RNWA.

Helmsman and crew of the winning boat of the championship in the G2 Class acquire the title "Class Champion".

The responsible person of the winning boat acquires the Red Pennant of the RNWA.

Other prizes will be given as follows:

Sharpie: for the first 8 boats

Randmeer: other prices and amount are depending the amount of participants

G2 class: other prices and amount are depending the amount of participants

27 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.

28 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000 per incident or the equivalent.





29 ORGANIZATION

The race officer is:
The chairman of the protest committee is:
The by the RNWA appointed equipment inspector for the Randmeer Class is:

Piet van der Zwaag nnb

Gerard Vervoort

Attachment A: The race area

- A1 The race area will be the Sneekermeer south east of the Prinses Margriet channel.
- A2.1 While racing, competitors shall not sail in the buoyed off shipping channel through the Sneekermeer. This shipping channel, which is indicated by a line formed by the channel markers is an obstruction in the sense of the Definitions RRS.
- A2.2 In addition, competitors shall not be in the buoyed off shipping channel through the Sneekermeer, **when not racing**, except to completely cross the channel at a right angle.

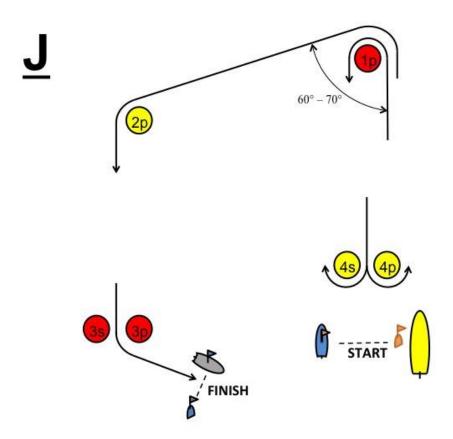






Attachment B: Coarses & Marks

No later than the warning signal, the course to be sailed will be signalled on the Race Committee Boat at the starting line by a yellow board with a Letter and a white board with a number

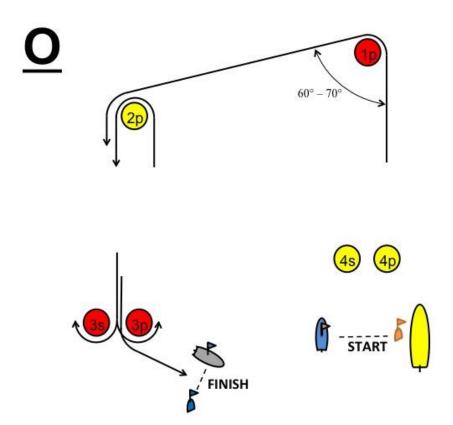


Course Inner Loop				
Signal	Mark Rounding Order			
J2	START - 1P – 4Gate- 1P - 2P - 3P - FINISH			
J3	START - 1P – 4Gate - 1P - 2P - 3P - FINISH			
J4	START - 1P – 4Gate - 1P – 4Gate - 1P - 4Gate - 1P - 2P - 3P - FINISH			





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Course Outer Loop				
Signal	Mark Rounding Order			
O2	START - 1P - 2P - 3Gate - 2P - 3P - FINISH			
О3	START - 1P - 2P – 3Gate -2P – 3Gate - 2P - 3P - FINISH			
O4	START - 1P - 2P – 3Gate -2P – 3Gate -2P – 3Gate - 2P - 3P - FINISH			





Attachment C: PROCEDURE FOR SPLIT FLEETS

Only for Randmeer class (in Dutch)

- 3.1 De 3 wedstrijden op de eerste dag van het evenement zijn kwalificatiewedstrijden en de wedstrijden daarna zijn Kampioenswedstrijden.
- 3.2 Deelnemers worden in de deelnemerslijst verdeeld over 4 subgroepen (a, b, c en d) De subgroepen zeilen kwalificatiewedstrijden volgens onderstaand programma

Wedstrijd (De wedstrijden zijn genummerd in de volgorde dat ze feitelijk worden verzeild)	1	2	3
Groep I (cijferwimpel 1)	a-b	a-c	b-c
Groep II (cijferwimpel 2)	c-d	b-d	a-d

- 3.3 Tegelijk met het waarschuwingssein wordt de cijferwimpel van de betreffende groep getoond.
 - Bij de kampioenswedstrijden wordt, tegelijkertijd met het waarschuwingssein, bij de Goldfleet cijferwimpel 1 en bij de Silverfleet cijferwimpel 2 getoond. Na de kwalificatiewedstrijden vindt aan de hand van de daarin behaalde resultaten, een splitsing plaats in een Gold- en een Silverfleet voor de resterende wedstrijden.
- 3.4 Indien echter na de eerste dag 2 of minder kwalificatiewedstrijden zijn voltooid zijn de wedstrijd(en) op de tweede dag eveneens kwalificatiewedstrijden tot er 3 voltooid zijn.
- 3.5 Indien drie geldige kwalificatiewedstrijden zijn voltooid, zal de tussenklassementscore van een boot het totaal zijn van zijn wedstrijdscores met aftrek van zijn slechtste score. De beste helft van het tussenklassement gaat door naar de Goldfleet, die vervolgens de wedstrijden om het Nederlands Kampioenschap zeilt. De overige boten gaan door naar de Silverfleet welke vervolgens voor een apart evenementklassement zeilt. Bij een oneven aantal deelnemers zal 1 extra boot aan de Goldfleet worden toegevoegd.
- 3.6 Indien na 2 wedstrijddagen slechts twee kwalificatiewedstrijden zijn voltooid vindt geen aftrek plaats voor de plaatsing in de Gold- en Silverfleet.
- 3.7 Punten behaald in de kwalificatiewedstrijden blijven behouden voor het eindresultaat van de serie. Het recht om in hoger beroep te gaan tegen beslissingen van het Protestcomité aangaande de kwalificatiewedstrijden wordt ontzegd. Het Watersportverbond heeft hiervoor toestemming verleend conform regel 70.5(a) en de bepaling van het Watersportverbond.

