



Balaton Melges24 Spring Regatta European Sailing Series 2015 No.2

May 8-10,2015
Balatonfüred, Hungary

NOTICE OF RACE

The Balaton Melges 24 Regatta will be organized by Balatonfüredi Yacht Club and MVM Sportegyesület and Melges 24 Class Association and International Melges24 Class Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. No national authority prescriptions will apply, except the eligibility prescriptions of The Regatta Regulations of the Hungarian Yachting Association which apply to all Hungarian competitors.
- 1.3. The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 1.4. The following rules will be changed:
 - 1.4.1. All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes RRS 40.
 - 1.4.2. The RC will use VHF radio to communicate to the fleet. Failure to make this broadcasts or failure to hear the broadcast shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
 - 1.4.3. Appendix P will apply, and will be changed as described in NOR 10.2.
- 1.5. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display identification numbers and event advertising for the duration of the event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20. These items will be supplied free of charge by the Organizing Authority at registration.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the Melges24 class that meet the obligations of the Class Rules and their National Authority, in the case that a National Authority exists.
- 3.2. Competitors shall comply with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) eligibility code (ISAF Regulation 19) which requires that all competitors (helmsmen and all other crew) shall be members of their Member National Authority or one of its affiliated organizations. The Yacht Club or organization name and membership

details shall be stated on the entry form. Proof of membership shall be presented at registration.

- 3.3. Sailors must be registered with ISAF and be able to declare their Sailor ID on the entry form.
- 3.4. Entries shall be submitted by completing the online entry form at <http://www.byc.hu/verseny/2015/melges24regatta>; Deadline for entries and payment of the entry fee is April 24, 2015.
- 3.5. Late entries can still be submitted by the end of the on-site registration.
- 3.6. Entry fee shall be paid by bank transfer to the following account:

Name of Bank: OTP Bank

Account holder: Balatonfüredi Yacht Club

Account No: HU87 1173 6006 2040 2954 0000 0000

SWIFT code: OTPVHUB

Note: Balaton Melges24 Regatta and please write there the name of the Helmsman.

Late entries can be paid by bank transfer or during the on-site registration at the Regatta Office.

4. CLASSIFICATION

- 4.1. The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply to teams in the Corinthian Trophy (see rule 79). Please refer to ISAF's Web site: www.sailing.org.
- 4.2. Indicate classification for each sailor on the entry form if entering for the Corinthian Trophy and the unique ISAF User ID Number
- 4.3. Classification will be checked at registration. A final list will be published at the close of registration.
- 4.4. Protest regarding ISAF classification must be submitted by the end of the protest time limit on the first day of racing for the championship.
- 4.5. Full details for the Corinthian Trophy can be found in IMCA Championship rules.

5. FEES

The entry fee will be 250€ per boat.

If a boat submits a late entry she will be charged an extra 300€.

This entry fee includes launching at commencement and recovery at conclusion of the regatta at designated times, berthing for the event, trailer storage and tickets to the principal events for all competing crew.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Schedule of events

Day	Date	Event	Time
Thursday	May 7	Registration and crew weigh-in	09.00-19.00
Friday	May 8	Registration and crew weigh-in Racing	08.00-9.00 Warning signal at 10.55
Saturday	May 9	Racing	
Sunday	May 10	Racing No warning signal after Haul Out after Racing Closing Ceremony and awards	13,55

- 6.2. Nine races are scheduled for the regatta with no more than four sailed on a day.

7. MEASUREMENTS

- 7.1. Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate before the end of the registration.
- 7.2. Registration of sails and limitation stamping will take place during periods stated in 6.1 above. **THERE WILL BE NO FACILITIES FOR INITIAL MEASUREMENT.**
- 7.3. During the regatta checks on conformity with class rules, including measurement requirements may be performed at any time.
- 7.4. A boat will provide a minimum of 2 people to facilitate measurement.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Copies of Sailing Instructions will be available at the Regatta Office during registration.

9. VENUE

- 9.1. The regatta centre will be situated in Balatonfüredi Yacht Club, Balatonfüred, Zákonyi Ferenc street 2., Hungary.
- 9.2. The racing area will be among Balatonfüred, Alsóörs, Siófok, Zamárdi and Tihany.
- 9.3. Attachment A shows the location of the regatta harbor and host Clubhouse
- 9.4. Attachment B shows the location of the racing area.

10. THE COURSES

A windward-leeward with an offset mark and a leeward gate course will be sailed.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 11.2. Appendix P (Special Procedures for Rule 42) will apply.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

- 13.1. Cranage will be available at the following times:

Day	Date	Time
Thursday	May 7	09:00 – 18:00
Friday	May 8	08:00 – 18:00
Saturday	May 9	08:00 – 18:00
Sunday	May 10	08:00 – 18:00

Cranage outside these hours will be subject to additional charge.

- 13.2. Boats shall be kept on the assigned places in the port.

14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

15. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

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

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1. 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.

16.2. Race information will be given on a designated marine VHF Channel, which will be further described in the sailing instructions.

17. PRIZES

The prizes will be given to the top six boats in the Open (Overall) Division and to the top three boats in the Corinthian Division.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1.5 million per event or the equivalent.

20. MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage or photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial or advertising purposes.

21. CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority may change the Notice of Race; see rule 89.2(a). Any such changes will be posted on the regatta website, <http://www.byc.hu/verseny/2015/melges24regatta;>

22. SUPPORT BOATS

22.1. Lake Balaton is under natural preservation and the use of powerboats is strictly regulated by Hungarian law. To obtain temporary permits, support boats shall register at the Organizing Authority (contact in NoR 23.) until April 24, 2015 where all details will be communicated included the exact fee that applies to the permit. A limited number of support boats are available to be chartered. For further information, please contact the Organizing Authority.

22.2. Support boats shall be marked as decided by the Organizing Authority.

22.3. The IMCA Coach and Support boat appendix shall be in operation and is attached to this NOR.

23. FURTHER INFORMATION

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Host clubs' websites:
<http://www.byc.hu/verseny/2015/melges24regatta> ;
www.mvmse.hu

ATTACHMENT A – VENUE



Host clubs:

Balatonfüredi Yacht Club

www.byc.hu

Magyar Villamos Művek Sportegyesület

www.mvmse.hu

Host port:

Balatonfüredi Yacht Club

Hungary, 8230, Balatonfüred, Zákonyi Ferenc street 2.

[+46° 57' 11.81", +17° 53' 33.47"]

ATTACHMENT B – RACING AREA



ATTACHMENT C – COACH, SUPPORT, PRESS & SPECTATOR BOATS

COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

1. Coach and support boats shall register with the race office during registration. They shall declare which boat or boats they are attached to.
2. Coach and support boats shall display a flag, or other identification symbol, as may be required by the race committee.
3. No coach boat or support boat shall pass information in any way to a boat that is racing. (Rule 41.) Infringements of this will be taken very seriously.
4. Coach and support boats shall communicate only with the boats they are registered to, and only by means of voice between races. Closed VHF or mobile telephone communication is prohibited.
5. All Melges24 boats shall proceed to the racing area under their own power.
6. There shall be no transfer of any goods or equipment until after the finish of the last race of the day between Melges24's and their coach or support boats.
7. Coach and support boats shall not go alongside their Melges24's until after the finish of the last race of the day.
8. Coach and support boats shall keep clear of the racing area at all times during racing.
9. Any coach or support boat that interferes with another competitor or the racing in any way, including creating excess wash, or hinders an official boat carrying out its duties shall have the competitor(s) to which they are attached, liable to a penalty at the discretion of the jury.
10. Any competitor may protest under this attachment.
11. The penalty given by the jury is at their discretion, but shall be applied to the overall score and therefore not discarded.

PRESS AND SPECTATOR BOATS

1. All Press and official spectator boats shall be registered by the race organizing authority during registration.
2. Press and spectator boats shall display any flag, or other identification symbol as may be required by the race committee.
3. The race organizers may appoint one or more photo boats, which will be allowed within the race course. The position of these boats shall not be grounds for redress.
4. Press and spectator boats shall not interfere with the racing in anyway and shall stay at a distance outside the racecourse where their wake causes no problem.