



Stadium sailing at Melges 24 Worlds 2015 in Middelfart Denmark

I would like to propose (one of) two different formats for the last day of racing at the Melges 24 Worlds 2015. The racing area directly outside the breakwater of Middelfart Marina is perfect for Stadium Sailing, and this is also where we organize all our Match Race events. This gives us the possibility to live-stream the races and make it really spectator friendly. If desirable, it would be possible to delay the very last race until after the finish of the races for the rest of the fleet on the outside course, so that other participants could watch the final race. I would like to propose one of the two different solutions as listed below.

1. One 30-minute medal race for the 10 highest placed skippers at the end of racing Saturday July 4. This race will take place on Sunday July 5, 2015, and the sailors will get double points in the race. The score for the medal race cannot be discarded. The race will be sailed under Addendum Q with 3 Jury/umpire boats on the water ensuring all protests are being decided on the spot.
2. Three final races on a short course (20 min.) for the 10 highest placed skippers at the end of racing Saturday July 4. These races will take place on Sunday July 5, 2015. The races will be scored with single points, and none of the final races may be discarded. The races will be sailed under Addendum Q with 3 Jury/umpire boats on the water ensuring all protests are being decided on the spot. The race committee vessel will display the overall standing before the start of each race.

For both formats above, there will be no requests for redress. As per Addendum Q, the umpires will signal with flags and a whistle. Some racing rules are amended, see attached document 'Medal Race Info to competitors'. All penalties from the judges/umpires and voluntary will be one-turn penalties. All points from the qualifying days (after any discards) will be carried forwards.

If AGM decides to change the format to solution 2 as listed above, amendment to NoR 6.3 have to be made. This will also change NoR 7.2