



Tønsberg Seilforening

Bid for the European Championship in the Melges 24 class

Tønsberg Seilforening Norway

**28th of August to 4th of September or
5th to 11th of September**





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General Information Tønsberg Sailing Club

Our yacht club was established in 1888, and we have long experience in hosting national and international races for classes like Europa, Optimist, Zoom 8, Soling, RS, 29'er, Melges24, J70, ORCi etc. With success we have hosted several Melges24 National Championships and raised a number of good sailors to the class.

We have a race committee consisting of 10 race managers and 9 jurors locally in addition to the supporting staff required for the race office.

The club consists of 700 members and is managed by a professional staff of two people in cooperation with a keen operational BoD and volunteers from more than 700 members.

We offer a down-to-earth atmosphere in beautiful surroundings with immediate access to several race areas. Being situated in the outer Oslo fjord surrounded by several islands we offer great course areas at the choice of the class, open deep water, medium and protected areas can be used depending upon the condition.

Social events are kept outside in beautiful surroundings combined with a club house from 1920 seating up to 250 people during dinner and ceremonies. We have separate building, a house from the 1900's with 4 separate bedrooms, two beds each, for fleet staff etc.

Adequate race offices for race management, secretaries, media, umpires etc. in separate buildings. We have hosted the Norwegian SLA with full management, media crew and live TV direct Summer 2024 with good results.

The event is scheduled for September, normal weather forecast is from our experience good, both for racing and leisure. Please find additional information; [Tønsberg September Weather, Average Temperature \(Norway\) - Weather Spark](#)

We also emphasize you will have our full attention, and the sole event kept at this time building and supporting the class environment. We are also open to discussing other suitable times, but understood September was preferred.

Our land area and berths available are very suitable for hosting this kind of event. We have a local crane with adequate lifting capacity and space for trailers including parking. In close distance we have additional crane capacity available if needed. Having hosted J70 and Express classes combined we are confident the capacity is more than adequate.

Regarding sustainability we do our best to contribute and in cooperation with the Norwegian Sailing Association, we will carefully study and adapt to the requirements and guidelines in the given organizations.



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Autumn 2022 we hosted the Norwegian Championship in Express and J70 classes on two separate race areas – all together more than 60 participating teams



Our race areas provide equal and fair conditions for all participants. Please see alternatives below, all very suitable except area I better for league racing





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General information of the region/location

The city of Tonsberg with about 50.000 inhabitants is situated in the County of Vestfold and is the oldest town in Norway, founded in year 871. The area has a history from the early Viking era and has brought us through, shipping, shipbuilding, whaling industry to modern farming and engineering. Tonsberg is situated at the outer Oslofjord about 100 km south of Oslo, the capital city. the inhabitants increasing by far during summer due to all the summer houses in the beautiful region.



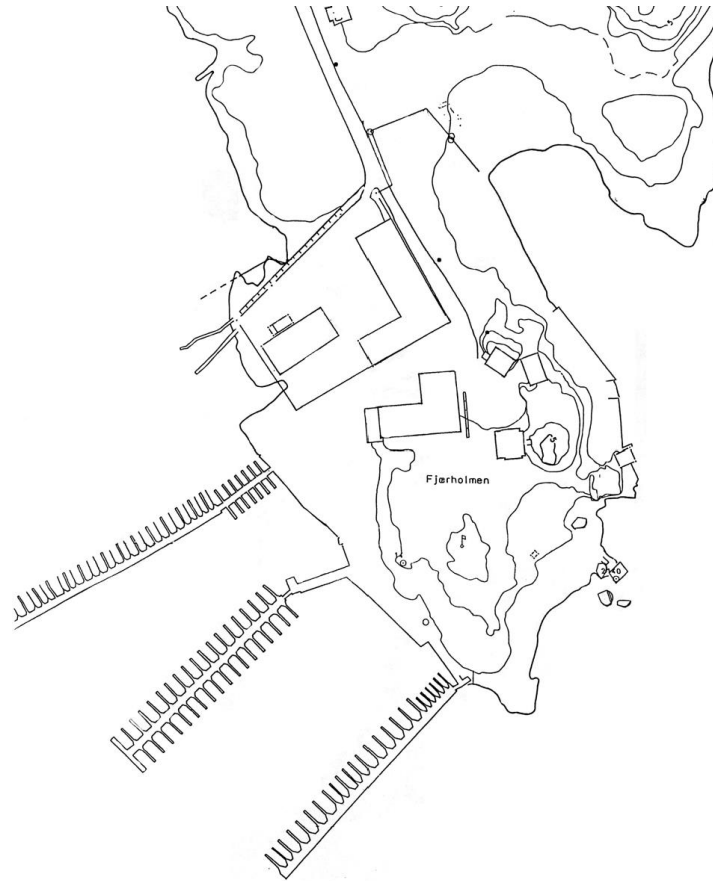
Tønsberg Seilforening (TS) is located at Fjaerholmen, about 10 min from Tonsberg. The location is a popular recreation area during the summer with beautiful scenery, many islands, blue water and friendly atmosphere.





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A: SHORE FACILITIES



1. Moorings/Docking

- All competing Melges 24's can be accommodated grouped in our marina
- Jury and press boats are located in immediate distance from the regatta offices

2. Trailer Storage and Parking

- There is available parking for all cars and trailers in immediate surroundings easily accessible and to be managed on arrival and departure.
- There is parking next to the moorings for the support truck from the class builder, sail repair team, official event equipment supplier, etc.
- There is parking for the Race Committee, Jury and press.



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3. Competitors Facilities

- The club premises offer toilets and changing facilities available at the event site including showers
- Storage to be handled through containers on the trailers
- Boat repairs to be conducted on site by the participants, repair shop available in the region and resources to be reserved – several Sailmakers in the region, capacity to be reserved for the event
- Appropriate quantities of rubbish collection containers exist
- Meeting facilities adequate for the whole group
- Electronic notice board to be agreed, using social media capacity/tools

4. Catering

- Food and drink are available at the event site before racing each day, and packed lunches and drinks can be preordered for every race day
- After racing suitable healthy, re-energizing snacks and drinks is available at the event site
- Food can be free of charge and clearly depending upon the participation fee – to be agreed (Food shall be free of charge and include easy food such as pizza, pasta, or other carbo foods. Beer, wine, and/or spirits are at the organizers option.)

5. Social Events

- We have the capacity to offer social events every day and we need to agree upon the number and level including the cost coverage. Opening ceremony and prize giving ceremony should be agreed, number of courses and drinks/beverages. We offer warm and cold meals, meat, fish and vegetarian and need to preorder accordingly. Barbeques, after sail sessions with soup and light meals etc. can easily be arranged, but needs to be planned with the class organization.

6. Accommodation

- There is a camping in the immediate distance, a hostel in close distance and hotels in the city center. A complete list will be included and informed in due time. Please see samples;

[Zenfolio | Nøtterøy Familiecamping Fjærholmen AS](#)
[Borge Hotell | Overnatting, golf og selskapslokaler i Tønsberg](#)
[Booking.com: Hotels in Tønsberg. Book your hotel now!](#)

- Accommodation for specified officials and IM24CA team members can take place at the yacht club, up to 8 persons in double rooms, alternative at Borge Hotel, see above
- Adequate resources for supporting participants will be appointed



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7. Spectators and Families

- Spectator boat(s) can be made available for a fee, availability and booking arrangements to be made available as early as possible
- Spectator boats to driven by local volunteers or likewise who understand racing and the need to keep their boats clear of the race boats
- It is suggested that a list of local attractions and side-trips should be available for families of competitors – to be planned in cooperation with the class as well as participants

[Visit Tønsberg \(visitvestfold.com\)](http://visitvestfold.com)

[Home - Hvalfangstmuseet \(vestfoldmuseene.no\)](http://vestfoldmuseene.no)

[Forside - Midgard vikingsenter \(vestfoldmuseene.no\)](http://vestfoldmuseene.no)

[Oslo, Norway - Official travel guide \(visitoslo.com\)](http://visitoslo.com)

[The National Museum is Norway's largest collection of art, architecture and design –](#)

[Nasjonalmuseet](#)

[Munchmuseet](#)



8. Prize Giving

- A price giving format that reflects the city (Viking Heritage) will be planned include a dinner party at a given cost
- Daily After Sail events will be organized and prizes to be awarded each day after racing.
- At the final prize giving, prizes shall be given to every boat crew member. Glasses with Tønsberg Seilforening Logo normally used.



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9. Jury Room

- We confirm the class standards to be met on the existing premises

10. Race Office

- We confirm we have fulfilled the requirements in our existing race office

11. Notice Boards

- We offer physical notice boards and software solutions, social media platforms, WhatsApp groups supporting the communication required

12. Official Flag Poles

- Official flag poles for each course area are situated close to the race office and easily visible from the mooring/docking area

13. Other Flag Poles

- We have the appropriate number of flag poles for: • Class flags, • National flags of participating countries, title and associate sponsor's flags, all kept clear from the official flagpole

14. Equipment Inspection Area & Equipment Facilities

- Tønsberg Seilforening will provide a crane for boat weighing with a certified load cell to weigh boats. Furthermore, event stamps with weatherproof ink pads x 2; black, indelible waterproof ink marker pens (black & silver), trestles for rig checks
- An equipment inspection area available throughout the event will be provided, including sail measurement tables and other furniture as agreed with the Technical Committee. The area shall be protected from wind and rain

15. Regatta Office

- We have race office facilities where two rooms can be closed for participants and public. We confirm fulfilling the requirements of the class.

16. Results Office

- See above

17. Press/Media Office

- See above



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18. Food and Drink

- Packed lunches including water, will be provided free to race, and class officials and media, those going afloat on press boats and Event Organizer volunteers. We need to agree the number of staff and volunteers in order to secure the right participant fee covering the costs

19. Security

- We have not experienced thefts and incidents like this. There are locks in all rooms and an electronically lifted boom to enter the area. As we are situated in a calm and rural area, needed security according to business as usual will be provided

20. Presentation Area

- Daily price-giving ceremonies will be kept outside next to the club house or inside if needed. There is room for organizers and sponsors logos prominently displayed

21. Incidentals

- Signage, first aid facilities, site plan land and offshore will be printed and displayed in the defined areas. A safety plan according to the requirements provided and communicated

B: SHORE FACILITY MANAGEMENT

- We have carefully studied the articles B: Shore facility management and confirm we can apply the rules, the processes and the personnel required to manage the operations.

C: EVENT PERSONNEL

- We have carefully studied the management requirements for the PRO and Race committee and confirm we will comply with these expectations.
- Regarding the Technical Committee the level of the pre-racing inspections should be agreed to fulfil the standards and expectations. Adequate personnel to be provided, the Chief Measurer to be a member of the Technical Committee.
- An international jury shall be formed in accordance with the requirements, planning and conducting its tasks as described. Depending upon the number of participants the requirements should be scaled to meet the defined need. We have two international umpires/judges in our club and good relations within the community.



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D: IM24CA PERSONNEL & MEDIA TEAM

- We are happy to host class administrator, championship coordinator, chief measurer and media. Photographers can be provided or hired locally based on your decision. Agreement on the number of resources should be agreed in a project organization providing also the level of contribution and local costs to be diluted on the participants. We are used to cooperating in a positive manner and seeking efficient solutions and a good race environment to the benefit of the competitors.

E: BUDGET

- Please find enclosed a preliminary budget. We emphasize we are a club of contribution also through volunteers, so any surplus is transferred directly to the club for further activities to the benefit of the club activities and development. Please also see our websites to get an overview of our general activities, culture and resources spent on youth.
- We have seriously calculated all costs at the expected level described by the Melges 24 Class organization. It is obvious we need to agree upon the expectations both on the participation fee and the cost level involved. As a responsible sailing club it is clearly our obligation to make a surplus to invest in the future of the club and its members.
- We are certain we will manage this event in a good manner and emphasize again the need for immediate discussions on the preliminary budget showing a negative contribution to the club.



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Entry Fee	Amount EUR
Entry fees 40 participating boats / 1600 EUR - budget prices	64000
Sponsorships, other income	
Sponsorships	10000
Light meals, beverages, kiosk - net income	5000
Estimated income	79000
Expences	
Permits, permission and authorisation	1000
Logo and design costs folders and othe required documents	1000
Measurement material, area and tools	1000
Liability insurances and management costs	2500
Opening ceremony barebeque, closing ceremony with dinner	20000
Daily price giving/after sail	5000
Expences regatta officials, airfare, transportation, meals and accomodation for Championship Coordinator, Class Administrator, Class Chief Measurer, Official Photographer/videographer, 1 IRO, two international Jurors, two national jurors	20000
Daily allowances, section D	2100
Meals and accomodation local staff	4500
Photographer, videographer, media - hired locally	3000
Spectator boats - cruisers/sail yachts	2500
Media management local, event branding	750
Event shirts, mementos sailors and officials	15000
Medical services	1000
Scoring, M2S resources	1000
Marks and material	2500
Supporting boats and fuel costs	6000
Flags, tolly system boards etc.	2000
Prices by Magnor	2500
Overall costs	93350
Net total	-14350



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F: RACE MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT

- We have a lot of experience with larger events, several classes and the use of multiple race areas. Our equipment is solid and functional for this purpose. At the time we do not use automated buoy solutions, we are in the process of evaluating possible solutions for the purpose. For this kind of event traditional solutions are more than adequate combined with local experience and knowledge of weather and current situations.
- Race committee boats will be provided and buoy boats with twin crew are always used. Normally keel sail boats are used for the Starting Signal Vessel, anchored bow and stern. Safety boats provided.
- Jury boats, technical committee boats and media boats will be RIB with required speed reserves to manage the challenging Melges 24 class.
- Flags/sound signals and communications understood
- Harbour facilities adequate to host the amount attending the European Championships

G: RACE MANAGEMENT AFLOAT

- Please see our race areas, there are several options and area II/III and IV are all very suitable – area IV providing the roughest conditions.
- We are estimating between 40 and 60 boats in this competition based upon the race history of Melges 24 championships, all race and start areas are suitable except area I.
- We are suggesting 1 measurement day, 1 measurement/practice day, 4 race days the last with a pricing ceremony, and one lifting day if needed. Can easily be changed to your expectation
- Courses, length first beat, and all other race management regulations well understood

H: EVENT MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION

- Registration area, registration and compliance to class requirements, World Sailing Categorization, information package and crew weight understood.

We hope to have drawn your attention to Norway and Tønsberg Seilforening being alert and agile to act upon a possible positive response in cooperation with the International Melges 24 Class Association supported also by the Norwegian affiliate.

If any additional information is required, please feel free to contact us.


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