

## Saint Quay Women Match Racing 2009

# 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> August 2009

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Sport Nautique de Saint Quay Portrieux

#### 2 VENUE

The venue will be Saint Quay Portrieux, Côtes d'Armor, France

#### 3 EVENT GRADING

The event is an ISAF Grade 1 event.

This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Rankings Sub Committee. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

#### 4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

- 4.1 (a) Race office open from the Tuesday August 25 at 09.00 hours.
  - (b) Registration /weigh-ins will be 09.00-12.30 hours and 13.30-18.00 hours Tuesday August 25.
  - (c) Practice from 10.00-17.30 hours, Tuesday August 25.
  - (d) First briefing at 18.30 hours Tuesday August 25.
  - (e) First meeting with umpires following the first briefing.
  - (f) Opening Ceremony at 19.30 hours Tuesday August 25.
  - (g) Racing days from Wednesday, August 26 to Saturday August 29.
  - (h) Time of the first race each day will be 10.00
  - (i) Daily press conference 30 minutes after the last race of each day.
  - (j) Prize giving at approx. 19.00 Saturday August 29.

#### 4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
- (c) Daily press conferences, for skippers sailing that day.
- (d) Regatta social events for skippers and crews. Schedules to be determined at a later date.
- (e) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

#### 5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- (a) 12 skippers will be invited (the OA may expand to 14 teams). Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- (b) The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- (c) To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing, (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- (d) A non-refundable entry bond of 350 € shall accompany the acceptance of invitation for this to be valid.
- (e) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF regulation 19.2.
- (f) All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at <a href="www.sailing.org/isafsailor">www.sailing.org/isafsailor</a>. Skippers shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

#### 6 ENTRIES

6.1 The team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by <u>credit card/local currency/cheque</u>.

#### 6.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of 350 € shall be paid. The entry bond of 350 € will be applied to the entry fees upon registration.

#### 6.3 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of <u>500</u> € shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

#### 6.4 Insurance

Each crew must hold a third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of 1.5 million Euros or equivalent. The document shown shall be the original issued by the insurance company.

If the OA doesn't agree with the insurance certificate provided, all the crew members must subscribe the provided insurance by the OA (app. Cost per person 6 Euros).

#### 7 RULES

7.1

- (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, and including Appendix C.
- (b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- (c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply shall be posted on the official notice board.
- 7.2 An International Jury (IJ) will be appointed, approved by the national authority, in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

#### 8 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Beneteau First Class 8 type boats.
- (b) 10 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

#### 9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4. All shall be female, and all registered crew shall sail all races.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 272 kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

#### 10 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) Skippers will be ranked based on ISAF ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
- (b) The event will consist of the following stages:
  - Stage 1 Round robin
  - Stage 2 Repechage
  - Stage 3 Quarter Finals
  - Stage 4 Semi Finals
  - Stage 5 Finals
- (c) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

#### 11 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with optional offset legs in the event of cross course current, resulting in either port or starboard roundings and finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be course area and is shown on chart reference SHOM 5725

#### 12 ADVERTISING

- (a) As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, ISAF regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- (b) Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the Organising Authority.
- (c) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

#### 13 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

- 13.1 If required by the OA:
  - (a) Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
  - (b) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
  - (c) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.
- 13.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.
- 13.3 The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

#### 14 COACH BOATS

- (a) Coach boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being coached. A coach boat is any boat that is under the direction or control of a person gathering information or giving material support for the benefit of particular competitors either on the water or off.
- (b) The OA will provide berths for coach boats.
- (c) Any interference by a coach boat with the racing or event organisation may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the IJ to the appropriate skipper or team.

#### 15 GENERAL INFORMATION AND ACCOMMODATION

Breakfasts, lunches and diners will be provided every day from Tuesday midday to Saturday. Accommodation will be provided for crew members from Tuesday 24th to Sunday 29th August 2009.

#### 16 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

#### 17 INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the attached form.