

PORTUGAL
Match Cup



TROIA PORTUGAL WOMEN'S CUP 2008

Match Race Sailing

Tuesday 30th September – Saturday 4th October 2008

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority

The Organizing Authority will be Sun Sailing Team.

2. Venue

Tróia, Portugal.

3. Event Grading

The Tróia Portugal Women's Cup 2008 is an ISAF Grade 1 event. However this grading is subject to review by ISAF when there is a clear reason to do so.

4. Provisional Program

All crews are requested to arrive not later than 14.00 on Tuesday 30th unless permission for a later arrival has been given by the Organizing Authority.

- (a) Race Office opens from 10.00 on Tuesday 30th;
- (b) Registration will be from 10.00 to 17.00 on Tuesday 30th;
- (c) Crew weighing will be done at the time of registration;
- (d) Time for practice will be given at the time of registration;
- (e) The first briefing will be at 18.00 on Tuesday 30th, immediately followed by a meeting with the umpires;

- (f) Official dinner and Opening Ceremony will be at 20.00 on Wednesday 1st October;
- (g) Racing days will be from Wednesday 1st to Saturday 4th October;
- (h) Daily press conference will be held each day immediately after the last race;
- (i) The Prize Giving will be as soon as possible after racing on Saturday 4th October.

4.1 Unless excused by the Organizing Authority attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) First briefing, for skippers;
- (b) Official Dinner and Opening Ceremony, for skippers and crews;
- (c) Daily press conference for skippers sailing that day;
- (d) Prize Giving Ceremony, for skippers and crews.

5. Skippers Eligibility.

- (a) 8 (eight) skippers will be invited for the Tróia Portugal Women's Cup 2008 event;
- (b) Only skippers invited by the Organizing Authority will be eligible to enter this Event;
- (c) The registered skipper shall helm the yacht at all times while racing except in an emergency;
- (d) To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance in writing, fax or e-mail are acceptable, to be received by the date specified on the application form;
- (e) All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of RRS and ISAF Eligibility Code;
- (f) All competitors shall register their ISAF Sailor ID with the event Organizing Authority.

6. Entries

6.1 The team shall be entered on completion of registration and the crew weighing.

6.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of 500,00 € (five hundred Euros) 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 if 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 (ten) days.

7. Rules

7.1

- (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, 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 in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

8. Boats and Sails

- (a) The Tróia Portugal Women's Cup 2008 will be sailed in SM 40;
- (b) The 6 (six) boats will be provided and will be allocated by draw, as decided by the Race Committee;
- (c) Each boat will be supplied with the following sails: Mainsail, Genoa, Jib and Spinnaker.

9. Crew (including Skipper)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 6 (six). All registered crew shall sail all races;
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 408 Kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts;
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute;
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or make other adjustment.

10. Event Format

Stage 1:

A Double Round Robin.

Stage 2:

A Semi Final knock out series, the first to score 3 points.

Stage 3:

A Petit Final knock out series, the first to score 2 points.

A Final knock out series, the first to score 3 points.

The Organizing Authority may change the format, terminate or eliminate any stage, when conditions do not permit the realization of the intended format.

11. Course

The course will be windward/leeward.

12. Advertising

The Event will be in accordance with RRS and ISAF Advertising Code.

Each boat will be required to display advertising as required by the Organizing Authority.

Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for infringements of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13. Prizes

The principal prize for the Event will be the cup "Tróia Portugal Women's Cup 2008".
The total amount of prize money will be US\$ 25.000 (twenty five thousand dollars).

These prizes will be subjected to Portuguese Taxes (35%).

The Organizing Authority may reduce the amount of a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14. Media, Images and Sound

The Organizing Authority may require media personnel and equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews.

The Organizing Authority shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the Event, free of any charge.

15. Disclaimer

All those taking part in the Event do it at their own risk. The Organizing Authority, their associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, whatever cause.

16. Invitations

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers.

Tróia, 17th July 2008.

The Organizing Authority