



FLYING FIFTEEN

European Open Championship 2018

3rd September – 7th September 2018

FRAGLIA VELA RIVA, Lake Garda, Italy

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Riva del Garda, Italy

Organizing Authority

Italian Sailing Federation in conjunction with
Fraglia Vela Riva and **Flying Fifteen International**

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Prescriptions 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11 of the Italian National Authority (FIV) will apply. The text of the applicable prescriptions is posted on the notice board.
- 1.3 As by local regulation boats shall keep out of the way and shall avoid crossing ahead of public service vessels.
- 1.4 The notation [DP] in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification. The notation [NP] in a rule in the SI means that a boat may not protest another boat for a breach of this rule. This changes RRRS 60.1(a).
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in front of the regatta office.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flagpole of the Fraglia Vela Riva near the regatta office.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 50 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Schedule of racing and events:

Sunday	02/09	09:00 / 12:30 14:30 / 17:30	Measurement and Registration
Monday	03/09	09:00 / 11:00 12.30 a.s.a.p.	Measurement and Registration Warning signal Race 1 Warning signal Race 2
Tuesday	04/09	13.00 a.s.a.p.	Warning signal Race 3 Warning signal Race 4
Wednesday	05/09	13.00 a.s.a.p.	Warning signal Race 5 Warning signal Race 6
Thursday	06/09	13.00 a.s.a.p.	Warning signal Race 7 Warning signal Race 8
Friday	07/09	13.00 a.s.a.p. a.s.a.p.	Warning signal Race 9 Warning signal Race 10 Prize Giving Ceremony

5.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled, no more than two per day. One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the event becomes not more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 3.

5.3 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made

5.4 On the last day of the Championship no warning signal will be made after 15.00 hrs.

6 CLASS FLAG

The Class flag will be Code Flag **Q** (yellow flag).

7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area location will be posted on the notice board.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the numeral pennant designating the course and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks to be used are described in Attachment A.

9.2 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a staff with an orange flag on the pin-end boat.

10.3 A boat starting later than six (6) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.
- 11.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a Blue Flag on a race committee boat at port and a buoy displaying an orange flag at starboard end.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Appendix T1 will apply.
- 13.2 A boat may accept a discretionary penalty for the breach of a rule subject to [DP] by acknowledging the breach before a hearing.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Target Time</u>	<u>Finishing window</u>
1	80 min	50 min	20 min
2	110 min	70 min	30 min

Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within the finishing window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish, without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the regatta office, located at Fraglia Vela Riva. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the race office, beginning as soon as possible.
- 15.4 Notices of protests or requests for redress by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision has been posted. This changes rule 62.2.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

16.2

- (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from five (5) to eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (b) When nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP] [DP]

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.2 Boats not leaving the harbor for a day's race shall inform the regatta office prior to the start.
- 17.3 If any one of the race signals AP over A, AP over H, N over H or N over A is made on a race committee boat, all boats shall return to the harbor immediately.
- 17.4 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

18 REPLACEMENT OF COMPETITORS OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee and any substitution thus granted shall not helm the boat.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

- 19.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.
- 19.2 On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer for the event to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

RC & safety vessels	RED capital letter S on white flag
Protest Committee boats	BLU capital letter J on yellow flag
Technical Committee boat	BLACK capital letter M on white flag

21 SUPPORT BOATS [NP] [DP]

- 21.1 Except in case of emergency, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing and shall not communicate with boats from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 21.2 Support boats shall be marked with the National Flag of the country they represent and shall display a safety flag provided by the OA.

22 TRASH DISPOSAL [NP] [DP]

Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION [NP] [DP]

Class rule 14.5 applies: Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio communications whilst racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

24 PRIZES

24.1 The overall winner of the FFI European Championships will be awarded the Uffa Fox Memorial Trophy.

24.2 Medals will be awarded to the helm and crew of at least the first three (3) boats.

24.3 There may be additional prizes for Classic and Silver boats depending on entry numbers. The FFI identification rules for Classic and Silver boats will be used.

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

26 INSURANCE

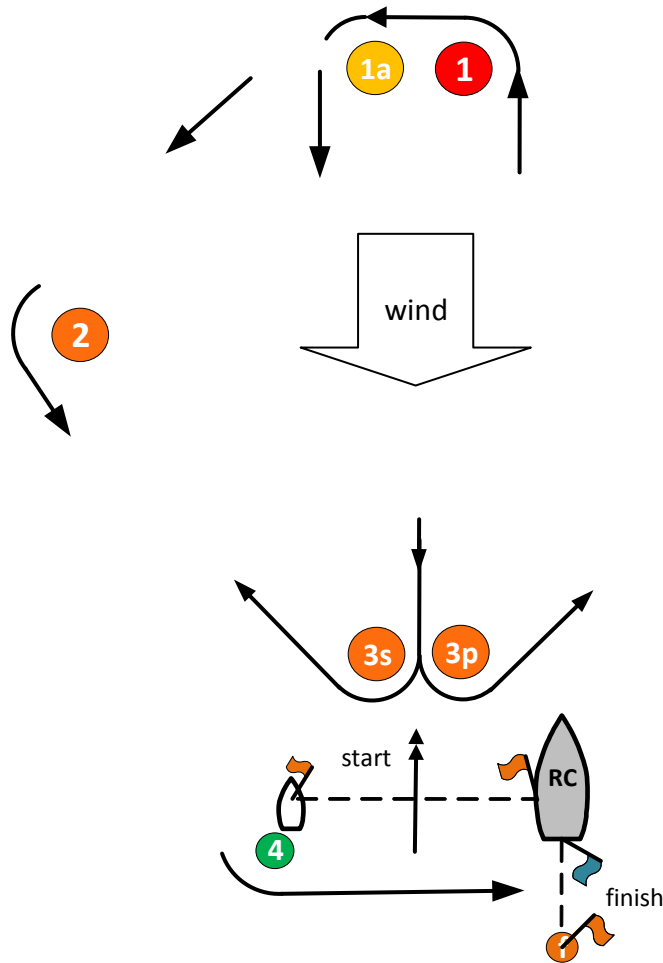
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1,500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

COURSES AND MARKS

MARKS DESCRIPTION:

Port-end Starting Mark:	a RC committee boat with an orange flag
Starboard-end Starting Mark:	the RC signal boat displaying an orange flag
Mark 1	RED inflatable cylindrical shape
Mark 1a	YELLOW inflatable cylindrical shape
Marks 2, 3p/3s	ORANGE inflatable cylindrical shapes
Mark 4	GREEN inflatable cylindrical shape
New Mark	WITHE inflatable cylindrical shape
Starboard-end Finishing Mark:	a dan buoy with an ORANGE flag
Port-end Finishing Mark:	the RC signal boat displaying a BLUE flag

COURSES DIAGRAM:



DESIGNATING THE COURSE:

Numeral Pennant 1: Start – 1 – 1a - 3p/3s –1 – 1a - 2 - 4 – Finish

Numeral Pennant 2: Start – 1 – 1a - 3p/3s –1 – 1a - 2 - 3p/3s –1 – 1a – 4 – Finish

Please note:

- a) Marks are not numbered.
- b) If the gate is not present, Mark 3 shall be rounded to port.
- c) If the RC sets a new Mark 1, no Mark 1a will be set.
- d) If the RC moves the gate, only Mark 3p will be set.