

2016 OPEN DUTCH DART18 CHAMPIONSHIP

MAY 06-08, 2016

Medemblik – the Netherlands

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Watersport Club Bestevaer, in conjunction with the Dutch Dart Class Organization (NDKO) and under the auspices of the Royal Netherlands Watersport Association (RNWA).

- [DP]** Denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury. This changes rule 63.1 RRS.
- [NP]** Denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a) RRS.
- [SP]** Denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing. This changes rule 63.1 RRS and appendix A5 RRS.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Rules for Championships Sailing and Windsurfing will apply.
- 1.3 The following sailing instructions contain changes to the rules RRS: SI 4.2, 4.4, 11.5, 11.6, 11.7, 14.1, 15.3, 15.4, 16.2, 16.4, 16.6, 18.2, 22.3 and 24.1.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the original text will take precedence.
- 1.5 Every person on board who has its domicile in the Netherlands shall have the required license.




2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, outside the tent on the location premises.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

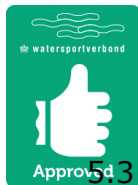
- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals ashore will be displayed at the flag poles next to the tent on the location premises.
- 4.2 When flag AP  is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in 'Race Signal AP' RRS.
- 4.3 To alert boats that they must not go afloat until further notice, flag AP  will be displayed over flag H  with three sounds. To alert boats that they are allowed to go afloat, flag AP over flag H will be removed with one sound. The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag AP over flag H has been removed.
- 4.4 Flag Y will not be displayed ashore, rules 40.1 RRS applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble and rule 40.1 RRS.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACE


- 5.1 The skippers briefing for the first day will be held at 11:00 in front of the tent of the Race Office on Friday May 6.
- 5.2 A total of 10 races are scheduled. Except when races have been postponed on previous days, then a maximum of 5 races per day will be scheduled.
- Friday May 6 3 races back-to-back 1st race 12:00 hours
 - Saturday May 7 4 races back-to-back 1st race 10:00 hours
 - Sunday May 8 3 races back-to-back 1st race 10:00 hours



The times shown are the times of the first warning signal.

On Friday May 6 and Saturday May 7 no warning signal will be made after 18:00 hours. On Sunday May 8, no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hours.

5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four (4) minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

5.5 When races will be sailed 'back-to-back', flag AP  will be displayed on the water with one sound at the time of the first finisher of that race and this flag will be lowered with one sound, one (1) minute before the warning signal of the next race.

6 CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING SEQUENCE

6.1 The class flag will be a white flag with the Dart18 Class insignia.

7 RACING AREA AND STARTING AREA

7.1 The location of the racing area will be on the IJsselmeer, of the shores of Medemblik. Attachment A shows the (approximate) location of the racing area.


7.2 The starting area has been defined as an area 100 meters to leeward and 100 meters to windward and 50 meters on both extensions of the starting line.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The course diagram in Attachment B shows the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 The course length and the angles between the legs will be adjusted for wind conditions.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed on a black board with a yellow number

8.4 Shortening with code flag T  :

When a RC boat stationed near a mark to be rounded displays code flag T the mark shall be rounded at the side indicated in the SI continued by, "sail directly to the finishing line and finish".

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 1a, 4s and 4p are yellow cylinders.

9.2 The starting marks will be a spar/dan buoy and the race committee signal boat.

9.3 The finishing marks will be a spar/dan buoy and the race committee signal boat.




10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 There are no areas of designated obstructions.

11 THE START

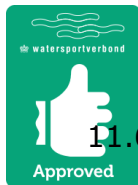
11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.



11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard-end and a spar buoy displaying an orange flag at the port-end.

11.3 To port of the port-end of the starting line a second race committee boat may be stationed which may repeat the following visual signals: flags AP , X  and First Substitute . Signals from the race committee signal boat at the starboard-end of the line will prevail.

11.4 **[NP] [DP]** Boats whose warning signal has not been given shall avoid the starting area (definition in SI 7.2).

11.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes appendices A4 and A5 RRS.



- 11.6 If code flag U  has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first *mark* during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed. This changes rule 26 RRS, starting races, and A5 RRS. When code flag U is used as the preparatory signal rule 29.1 RRS, Individual recall, does not apply. The scoring abbreviation for a flag U penalty is UFD. This changes appendix A11 RRS, Scoring Abbreviations.
- 11.7 In case of a general recall, the new (5 minute) warning signal will be made simultaneously with the removal of the flag First Substitute . This changes rule 29.2 and 'Race Signal First Substitute' RRS.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the port-end and a spar buoy displaying an orange flag at the starboard-end.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

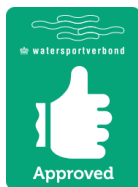
- 14.1 Rule 44.1 RRS is changed so that the "Two-Turns Penalty" is replaced by the "One-Turn Penalty".

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 Time limits are as follows:
- Time limit Mark 1: 20 minutes
 - Time limit: 75 minutes
 - Target time: 40 minutes
- 15.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a) RRS.
- 15.4 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rule 35 RRS and appendices A4 and A5 RRS.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and request for redress shall be delivered within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is ninety (90) minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of that day. The same protest time limit applies to all protests by the race committee and jury and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2 RRS.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Jury Room, located near the Regatta Office, according to the posted schedule. The witnesses (if any) can only be heard, if they are in calling distance of the Jury Room at the time of the hearing concerned.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) RRS.
- 16.5 Sailing numbers of boats, penalized or disqualified without a hearing, will be posted on the notice board within five (5) minutes after the protest time limit.
- 16.6 On the last day of the series a request for reopening a hearing or a protest decision in writing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting the decision on the previous day, (b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the



party requesting was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rules 65 and 66 RRS.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 Ten (10) races are scheduled, of which four (4) races shall be completed to constitute a championship and series.
- 17.2 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 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.
- 17.3 To request a correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring inquiry form available at the Regatta Office.

18 [NP] [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 Safety regulations will apply as written in the Notice of Race (NoR 14). All the mentioned safety requirements shall not be removed after finishing and arrival on the beach until it is clear that the race committee will stop the safety inspections.
- 18.2 Boats in distress: A boat, capsized or otherwise in distress, has to ask for help, if necessary. However committee or rescue boats will take their responsibility and assist if a boat is unable to race again within 10 minutes time, or they will help earlier for safety reasons. If a committee or rescue boats assists a boat, capsized or otherwise in distress, this will be seen as help under rule 41(a) RRS.
- 18.3 **[SP]** Boats shall sign out before going afloat and sign in immediately, but at latest within the protest time limit, upon returning to shore each day in the Regatta Office. Boats failing to comply will be penalized without a hearing. The penalty for such breach (sign out and sign in) will be 20% for all races of the day, calculated in accordance with rule 44.3(c) RRS, scoring penalty. The penalty will be applied without a hearing.
- 18.4 **[SP]** A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee on the water if possible and shall in all cases inform the Regatta Office as soon as possible, but ultimately within the protest time limit.

19 [NP] [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 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.

20 [DP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

21 [NP] [DP] EVENT ADVERTISING

- 21.1 Boats shall display stickers of this event provided by the Organizing Authority while afloat, on the outsides of both hulls just behind the bridle bow fittings.

22 [NP] [DP] OFFICIAL BOATS

- 22.1 Race committee boats will fly a white flag with letters RC.
- 22.2 Rescue boats will fly an orange colored flag with text Rescue.
- 22.3 Competing boats shall not interfere with committee or rescue boats. Actions by official boats shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat. This changes rule 60.1 (b) RRS.



[NP] [DP] SUPPORT BOATS

23.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

24 [NP] [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

24.1 Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. A penalty for breaking rule 55 RRS may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. This changes rule 64.1 RRS.

25 SPARE

26 SPARE

27 [NP] [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

27.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

28 PRIZES

- 28.1 Helmsman and crew of the winning boat of the championship acquire the title "Dutch Champion" and receive the accompanying medal(s) of the RNWA.
- 28.2 The responsible person of the winning boat acquires the Blue Pennant of the RNWA.
- 28.3 The winners will receive the perpetual trophy from the NDKO.
- 28.4 Helmsman and crew of the boats that are placed second and third acquire also medal(s) of the RNWA.
- 28.5 Prizes will only be rewarded if the crew (and not their representatives) is present at the awards ceremony to be held on Sunday evening.

29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

29.1 Competitors will participate in the 2016 Open Dutch Dart 18 Championship entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, "DECISION TO RACE". The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for personal or material damage, injury or death, sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the 2016 Open Dutch Dart 18 Championship.

30 INSURANCE

30.1 Each competing boat has to have a valid third party liability insurance policy, with a minimum coverage of € 1.500.000 per incident.

31 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

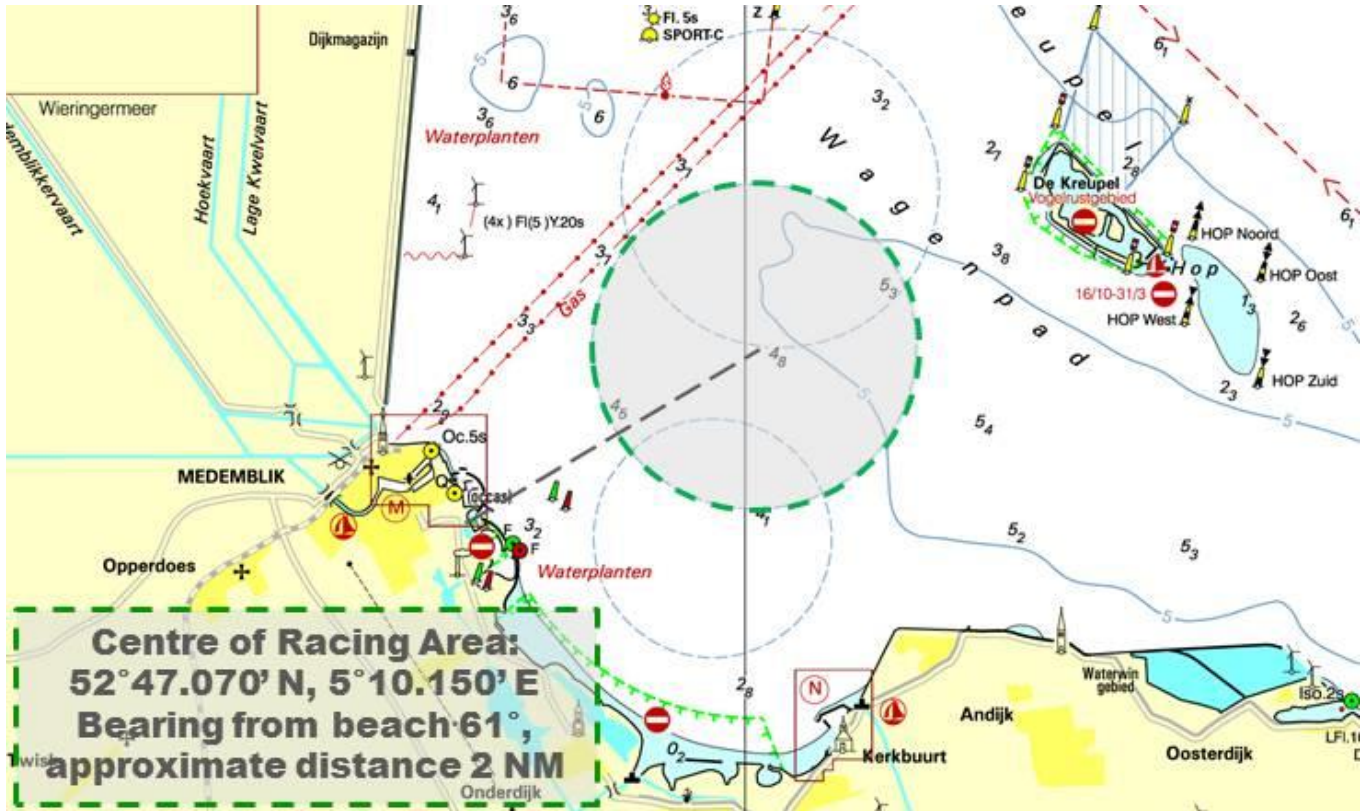
31.1 By participating in the 2016 Open Dutch Dart 18 Championship, a competitor automatically grants the Organizing Authority and the sponsors the right to, in perpetuity, make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any (still) motion pictures, live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the competitor and its material, during and after the regatta without any compensation.

32 ORGANISATION

32.1 The race officer is Norbert van der Kooij-van Duijn
The chairman of the jury is Jaap Hage

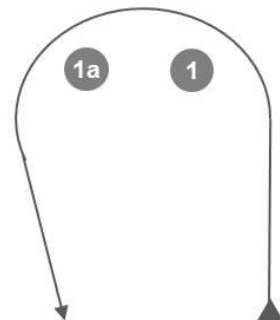


Attachment A (the racing area):
 (correction to the picture posted in the Notice of Race)



Attachment B (the courses):

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Signal	Course	Mark rounding order
1	LA1	Start - 1 - 1a - Finish
2	LA2	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - Finish
3	LA3	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - Finish
4	LA4	Start - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - 4s/4p - 1 - 1a - Finish

