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OPTI OPENING
2022

First event of Sailing Point Golden Series

4 March – 6 March, 2022

Portorož - Slovenija

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority of the event is Sailing Club Pirat Portorož in cooperation with Slovenian Sailing Federation.

The notation [DP] in a rule in the Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification.

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. Pirat Opti Opening will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times whilst afloat
- 1.3. If there is any conflict between this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after Thursday, 3 March 2022 in the Race office and on the event website.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. Pirat Opti Opening is open to all Optimist class boats in the following categories:

| Category | Born in years | Max No. of competitors |
|-----------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Junior | 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 | 160 |
| Cadet | 2011, 2012 | |
| Rookie | 2013, 2014, 2015 or started sailing in 2021 or 2022 | 60 |

Junior and Cadet category will sail together.

- 3.2. Coaches of the Rookie category competitors may request Organizing Authority to race in Junior/Cadet category. The Organising Authority has the right to refuse the change of category.
- 3.3. All competitors shall be members of Slovenian Sailing Federation or any other World Sailing Member National Authority and shall be born on or after 1 January 2007.
- 3.4. It is mandatory for all competitors to have a coach or support person at the Pirat Opti Opening.
- 3.5. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form, available on the event website and paying the appropriate entry fee before Friday, 25 February 2022.
- 3.6. Online entry will be open from Saturday, 15 January 2022 until Friday, 25 February 2022 or until 220 participants have been reached, whatever is first.
- 3.7. All online entries shall be personally confirmed in the race office not later than Friday, 4 March 2022 until 21:00.
Registration of competitors shall be made only by the corresponding coaches or team leaders.
- 3.8. The following documents shall be present at the registration:
a) fulfilled and signed Parental Authorization for sailor, which is available on the website,
b) Original third party insurance policy, covering not less than 1.000.000 EUR (NoR 16)
c) Original support vessel insurance policy.
- 3.9. The Organizing Committee has the right to accept entries received after the entry deadline.
- 3.10. No entry will be considered as valid without payment of the required Entry fee.
- 3.11. Competitors can request the cancellation of their entry by sending the Organizing Committee an e-mail to regata@klub-pirat.si. If request is made before Friday, 25 February 2022 and is accepted by the OC, the entry fee will be reimbursed after deduction of an administrative fee of 10 EUR. No entry fee refund will be made after 25 February 2022.

4. FEES

4.1. Entry fees are:

| Type of Entry fee | Payment made | Payment type | Entry fee |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Standard | Before 25 February 2022 | Bank Transfer / PayPal | 40,00 EUR |
| Late Entry fee | After 25 February 2022 | Cash at registration | 60,00 EUR |
| Rookie Entry fee | Before 25 February 2022 | Bank Transfer / PayPal | 30,00 EUR |
| Late Rookie Entry fee | After 25 February 2022 | Cash at registration | 40,00 EUR |

Entry fee includes personal gift, daily meal after sailing and tickets to all social events.

4.2. Late entry fee could be paid at the registration in the race office in cash only.

5. [NP] [DP] ADVERTISING

- 5.1. Sailor advertising is permitted on the hull as per World Sailing Regulation 20.3.2 but as restricted by class rule 2.8.
- 5.2. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

5.3. The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

6. [NP] FORMAT OF RACING

- 6.1. Boats will be divided into fleets, as far as possible with the same number of boats.
- 6.2. The allocation to fleets will be done by the Race Committee on Friday, 4 March 2022 after the closing of registrations.
- 6.3. Fleets will sail an open series, followed by a final series.
- 6.4. If minimum three races have been completed until the end of the first racing day, the last racing day will be the final series.
- 6.5. An opening series will not count, until all fleets in the opening series have completed the same number of races.
- 6.6. Final series: Boats will be assigned to final series fleets (Gold, Silver) on the basis of their rank in the open series.
- 6.7. In the final series, boats do not need to sail the same number of races.

7. SCHEDULE

| Date | Time | Description | Races per day |
|-------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 4 Mar | 17:00 – 21:00 | Registration | |
| 5 Mar | 09:00 | Coach Meeting | |
| | 11:00 | Racing (opening / final series) | 4 |
| 6 Mar | 10:00 | Racing (opening / final series) | 3 |
| | after the races | Prize giving ceremony | |

- 7.1. No more than 4 races may be sailed each day.
- 7.2. The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day is at 11:00, except on Sunday, 6 March 2022, when the warning signal will be at 10:00.
- 7.3. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

8. [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Each boat shall present a valid measurement certificate.

9. VENUE

NoR Addendum A shows the location of the club, regatta harbour and the racing areas.

10. THE COURSE

The course will be an outer-loop trapezoid with the finish line at the end of the second windward leg. The course for the Rookie will be windward/leeward or trapezoid with shorter target time.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Appendix P will apply.

12. [NP] SCORING

- 12.1. Seven (7) races are scheduled and the event will be valid if at least three (3) races will be finished.
- 12.2. (a) When fewer than four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. [NP] [DP] SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

- 13.1. Team and support vessel drivers shall register their vessels via online formular or at the Race Office before the start of the event. The registrations shall include sail numbers of boats they are supporting.
- 13.2. Support boats shall be marked with numbered flags, supplied by Organising Authority.
- 13.3. Refundable deposit for a flag is 20,00 EUR and will be given back while returning the flag.

- 13.4. Coaches are encouraged to use a VHF radio. Radios will not be provided and coaches should bring their own.
- 13.5. Fuel for support boats will be available on OMV petrol station in Marina Portorož. It is forbidden to refuel the boats in club area.

14. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a board's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, board handling errors, poor seamanship by other boards, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury.

Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

15. [NP] [DP] INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.000.000 EUR per event of the equivalent.

Proof of insurance shall be provided upon registration.

16. MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity to make, use, and show at their discretion any motion pictures, still pictures, and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the event, and of all of his or her material related to the event, without compensation.

17. [NP] PRIZES

17.1. Prizes will be awarded to:

- the five best-placed competitors overall
- three best-placed girl competitors
- three best placed cadet boys (born 2011 or later)
- three best placed cadet girls (born 2011 or later)
- three best placed rookie boys
- three best placed rookie girls

17.2. Sailing Point Golden Series

Pirat Opti Opening is the first event of Sailing Point Golden Series. Three events will be taken into account for Series: Opti Opening 2022, Sailing Point Easter Regatta 2022 and Halloween Regatta 2022. The winner will be the best ranked club (team) in the event.

The team consists of six sailors from the same club. Two best placed boys, two best placed girls, the best placed rookie boy and the best placed rookie girl.

Clubs will be ranked according to the lowest sum of final points of above mentioned sailors in each of the 3 events. The winner will be the club with the lowest total points.

18. ACCOMMODATION

Dedicated person will assist you for special arrangements and/or accommodation needs.

Please contact the Organizing Authority (regata@klub-pirat.si; contact person: Tanja Cedilnik)

19. CHARTER BOATS

Limited number of charter boats (Optimists and support vessels – ribs) will be available for the event. Boats will be allocated on "first come-first serve" basis.

Please contact the Organising Authority for further information and package price (regata@klub-pirat.si; contact person: Borut Maraz)

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Organising Authority of the event.

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