



# Norwegian Championship Melges 24

16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> of September 2021

# Notice of race

Arendals Seilforening

The organizing authority





#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024 with Scandinavian amendments.
- 1.2 The applying prescription and rules of the Norwegian Sailing Federation (2018) will be incorporated into the sailing instructions.
- 1.3 The Open Norwegian Championship for Melges 24 will be governed by the current version of the International Class Rules for Melges 24, except as changed by the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions (according with RRS 87).
- 1.4 RRS 44.1 and 78 has been changed. See NOR 6 and NOR 10.1.
- 1.5 If there is conflict between the Notice of race and Sailing instructions the Sailing instructions will take precedence.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

#### 2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 World Sailing Advertising Code will apply.
- 2.2 Boats are required to display bow numbers according to class rule H.
- 2.3 Boats are required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, WS Reg 20.9.2 applies.

#### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Melges 24 class with valid class certificate. Upon request, the boat shall be able to show a valid International Measurement Certificate.
- 3.2 Each crewmember shall be a member of a M24 national class association.
- 3.3 Class rule C 2.2 Crew weight-in will take place under registration period. In case of crew change an additional weigh-in must be done. Entry closing date is 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 23:59 hrs. Late entries will be accepted until 15<sup>th</sup> of September at 23:59. The entry is not valid until the entry fee has been paid. The entry fee shall be paid by credit card or debit card at the events website.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter on the event located at <u>the events website</u>.

#### 4 FEES

- 4.1 The required entry fee is <u>NOK 2.000</u>, net of any bank charges and transfer fees. The entry fee is refundable until 30<sup>th</sup> of May at 23.59.
- 4.2 Late entries accompanied by a late entry fee of <u>NOK 2.500</u> can be done until 15<sup>th</sup> of September at 23:59 hrs.
- 4.3 The entry fee includes mooring at Arendals Seilforening during the event, as well as hoisting of boat before and after the event.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

# 5.1 Thursday September 16<sup>th</sup>

18:00 - 21:00 Hoisting boats

17:00 – 21:00 Registration at the race office, in accordance with notice board in Manage2sail. Includes weight control.

# Friday September 17th

08:00 - 10.30	Registration at the race office, in Arendal guest harbor.
	Includes weight control.
08:00 - 09:00	Hoisting boats, after agreement with the committee.
11:00	Opening ceremony and skippers meeting
13:00	First warning, race 1.
17:00	Pit stop at ASF club house 'Seilerhytta' at Brattholmen.
	Foods and drinks.

# Saturday September 18th

09:00	Skipper's meeting
11:00	First warning race 1, day 2
19:00	Sailors' dinner

# Sunday September 19th

09:00	Skipper's meeting
11:00	First warning race 1, day 3
17:00 (Appro	ox.) Price ceremony.
17:30 (Appro	ox.) Hoisting boats

- 5.2 No warning signal will be given after 15:00 hours on Sunday. In case of a non-valid National championship, no warning signal will be given after 16:00 hrs.
- 5.3 Official opening will be held at 11:00 Friday followed by competitors briefing. Skipper's briefing will be given at 09:00 Saturday and Sunday.

#### **6 REGISTRATION**

- 6.1 All boats must register at the Race Office located in Arendal gjestehavn (guest harbour) in the city centre of Arendal.
- 6.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration in order to complete the registration:
  - Valid class certificate: This certificate shall also be present at any spot checks.
  - A self-declaration form/crew list containing the following information/ statements signed by the boat owner and/or skipper (this form will be published at the official website together with the entry forms).
  - A statement that the boat has a valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of NOK 4.000.000 as required in NOR 18
  - For Norwegian boats displaying advertisement, a valid license from NSF.
- 6.3 Boats failing to comply with NOR 6, will not be registered and they will not be allowed to sail. This changes RRS rule 78.
- 6.4 All the boats must dock in Arendal gjestehavn (guest harbour). If practical, boats will have pre-assigned berths in the harbour. Berths will be presented at registration.

#### 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing instruction will be available on the Noticeboard in Manage2Sail from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 23:59.
- 7.2 No paper version of the Sailing instruction will be available during registration.

#### 8 VENUE

The races will be held outside Hove / Merdø (Area A). Reserve area (B) for racing will be inside Torungen light house. Approximate location of both areas is shown in attachment A.

#### 9 THE COURSE

The courses to be sailed will be a Windward-Leeward configuration with off-set mark at the windward mark and a gate. The planned sailing time for the first boat will be approximately 45 minutes.

#### 10 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turn penalty is replaced by the One-Turn penalty.
- 10.2 A boat that has taken a penalty under RRS 44 shall fill in an acknowledgement form and deliver it to the race office within the protest time. [DP]

#### 11 SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 Up to 10 races are scheduled.
- 11.3 At least one race must be completed to give a valid series.
- 11.4 4 races must be completed to constitute Norwegian Championship.
- 11.5 If less than 5 races have been completed a boat's series score will the total of her race scores. If 5 or more races are completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### 12 MEASUREMENT CHECKS AND INSPECTIONS

Measurement checks and inspections may be made at any time during the regatta at the discretion and under supervision of the technical delegate appointed by the organizing authority.

#### 13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Gold, Silver and Bronze medals of the Norwegian Sailing Federation will be awarded to the crew members of the top three Norwegian boats.
- 13.2 In addition, there will be awarded prices to each member of the crews placing first, second and third in the series.

#### 14 HOUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury. Such permission shall only be granted in case of damage that needs repair ashore. The jury may request to be present during the haul-out and inspect the boat ashore. This instruction does not apply to a boat that withdraws from the event.

### 15 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

#### 16 RADIO COMUNICATION

- 16.1 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.
- 16.2 Individual and general recalls may be announced on a dedicated VHF channel.

#### 17 INFECTION CONTROL

- 17.1 An infection control plan will be prepared as an appendix to the sailing regulations based on current infection control regulations and a guide from NSF.
- 17.2 All participants, coaches and parents, etc. who are present at the convention must be registered in Manage2sail and follow the instructions in the infection control plan during the stay.
- 17.3 No one should attend the event having symptoms of Covid-19. (See information from the Folkehelseinstituttet (FHI) for which symptoms are relevant.)
- 17.4 Should the infection situation (Covid-19) prevent the event from taking place, the participation fee will be refunded.

#### 18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 18.1 All those taking part in the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. The organizing authority, and any other party involved in the organization of the regatta, disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury, inconvenience or death that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta as a consequence of participation in the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by entering and registering for the race.
- 18.2 Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

#### 19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of NOK 4.000.000 from time of arrival to time of departure from Arendal.

# 20 MEDIA RIGHTS

By entering the event, competitors give the organizing authority the right to publish and / or broadcast in any media photos and videos taken of persons and boats during the event for the purpose of creating publicity for the event.

#### 21 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

Race area: Hove / Merdø / Torungen

