



International N17 Class Association 2018 European Championship EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

1. General Requirements

- 1.1 All boats and equipment entered in the 2018 IN17CA European Championship may be inspected at any time for compliance with the relevant rules including Class Rules and these Equipment Regulations (ER), NOR and Sailing Instructions defined collectively as the Event Relevant Rules.
- 1.2 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.
- 1.3 Athletes are reminded that, in accordance with RRS 78.1, they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is maintained in accordance with the Class Rules.
- 1.4 All equipment and sails shall be certified and marked as required by the Class Rules.
- 1.5 Any changes to these ER will be approved and posted on the Official Notice board in accordance with the provisions governing the posting of changes to the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

2. Equipment Limitation

- 2.1 All equipment components subject to event limitation control shall be marked with the official event limitation sticker.
- 2.2 Event limitation control stickers shall be obtained from, and applied in accordance with instructions distributed at Registration
- 2.3 At this link <https://goo.gl/forms/kiNSNgB5VFtj9uTJ2> or at Registration, athletes shall obtain and complete an Event Equipment Control form including page 2 self-declaration of compliance.
- 2.4 Page 2 with the self-declaration (and page 1 Event Equipment Control form if not already submitted online at the link) and all unused limitation stickers shall be returned to Registration **before 1700 July 6th**.
- 2.5 Sails will be marked and inspected as required by event equipment inspectors during pre-racing equipment inspection. Some items may receive two control marks, with one in a visible position when afloat.
- 2.6 If a mark on any equipment component becomes unclear, insecure or lost, this shall be reported to the Chief Equipment Inspector so that the mark may be replaced before the next race or at the first reasonable opportunity.

3. Repair and Replacement of Equipment

- 3.1 Repairs or replacements shall not be made, without the prior written approval of the event Technical Committee. Repairs or replacements required afloat may be approved after a race, provided either the Race Committee or Technical Committee are notified that day before the next race (if any), and, followed up in writing that day before the end of the protest time limit.
- 3.2 Every request to repair or replace equipment for damage, even if approved on the water, shall be presented in writing at the race office that day within the protest time limit. Forms to request approval of repairs or replacement will be available from the Race Office.
- 3.3 Equipment shall only be replaced if:
 - (a) The replacement equipment was certified if required by the Class Rules before use, and
 - (b) The equipment being replaced has been severely damaged and cannot be repaired in the time available before the next race.
- 3.4 Equipment shall not be replaced if it has been deliberately mistreated, damaged or lost by the competitor or any associated person.
- 3.4 Unless approved in writing by the Equipment Inspector repairs or alterations shall not be carried out in the equipment inspection areas.

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4. Equipment Inspection Instructions

- 4.1 Nothing in these Equipment Inspection Instructions relieves athlete teams from, or interferes with, their responsibility to comply with all Event Relevant Rules including equipment limitation stickering, and which may not be specifically checked during pre-racing equipment inspection.
- 4.2 Teams shall sign up for equipment inspection time slots by accessing the self-scheduler at this link <https://doodle.com/poll/m2ptuxrefr9q8g3w> if you have not already signed up. Each time slot (30 minutes) will accommodate two teams. Each team is requested to show up for equipment inspection at least 15 minutes before the selected time slot. At the discretion of the Chief Equipment Inspector, other teams available and scheduled later each day will be slotted in early if possible, to keep equipment inspection moving along with a goal to inspect all teams by end of day July 6th.
- 4.3 Boats (including sails) with fully assembled platforms shall be presented for equipment inspection by athlete teams:
- a/ in dry, salt and sand free in condition for weighing and inspection for compliance with rules.
 - b/ with hull appendages on top of the assembled platform with mast down for weighing. Sails will be transferred to tables. Hull appendages will be transferred to tables for inspection after weighing.
 - c/ with mast foot resting forward on the platform and mast foreside facing up, with forestay and turnbuckle fully extended and accessible for inspection.
 - d/ with front cross beam curvature set at 7mm for purpose of equipment inspection.
 - e/ with hulls empty, and ports open to allow for inspection inside.
- 4.4 Audio and video recording by teams and support persons is prohibited in areas where event equipment inspection takes place, unless approved by Chief Equipment Inspector.
- 4.5 A notice may be posted on the event Official Notice Board identifying boats selected for post-race inspection. Boats may also be identified by hail on water or on shore.
- 4.6 When a boat has been selected for post-race inspection and notified, no person shall join or leave the boat without permission from the Equipment Inspector. No equipment or other item shall be taken on or off the boat without permission from the Equipment Inspector. The notified crew shall not leave the equipment inspection area without the permission of the Equipment Inspector. If athlete clothing and equipment will be inspected, at least one boat representative shall remain present during the inspection of the boat.

5 Medal Race Equipment Inspection

- 5.1 On completion of the opening series, the boats assigned to compete in the Medal Race may be subject to equipment inspection. This includes boats that may qualify for the Medal Race following a protest or request for redress.