Nacra 17

Asian Championship 15th to 19th March 2019

The Organising Authority is the International Nacra 17 Class Association in conjunction with the Shanghai Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Class Rules of the International Nacra 17 Class Association will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Race Office

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than ONE hour before the scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races, will be posted by 2000 the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the lakeside.

5. FORMAT OF RACING

The Championships will consist of a Single Series of up to FIFTEEN races with up to FOUR races per day

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1 The Championship schedule will be as follows;

Monday 11 March	0900	Charter Boats Available
Friday 15 March	0900 - 1100	Registration/Inspection
-	1200	Competitors Briefing
	1400	Racing
	1800	Opening Ceremony
Saturday 16 March	1100	Racing
Sunday 17 March	1100	Racing
Monday 18 March	1100	Racing
Tuesday 19 March	1100	Racing

Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony as soon as possible after Racing Wednesday 20 March Departure from Shanghai

6.2 On Tuesday 19 March there will be no warning signal after 1600

7. CLASS FLAGS

The Class flag will be a blue Nacra 17 class insignia on a white background

8. RACING AREAS

The 2019 Nacra 17 Asian Championships will be held on the Dinshan Lake in Shanghai, China

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 Attachment A shows the course to be sailed, the order in which the marks are to be passed, the side on which each mark is to be left, and the signals indicating the number of rounds to be sailed.
- 9.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel may display the approximate compass bearing from the race committee signal vessel to Mark 1.
- 9.3 There will be a gate at the leeward mark and a spreader mark at the windward mark.
- 9.4 A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port.

10. MARKS

Marks 1, 1a and 2 gate	Yellow Cylinder
Change mark	
Starting marks	
Finishing marks	

11. THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks (race committee starting vessels) at each end of the starting line.
- 11.2 A boat starting later than FOUR minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 11.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with ONE sound signal not less than TWO minutes before the warning signal is displayed

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a change mark, which will be a mark as detailed in SI 10, no offset mark will be laid
- 12.2 When a new mark is laid, the original mark will be removed as soon as possible.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the finishing marks (race committee finishing vessels) at each end of the finishing line.
- 13.2 [DP][SP] When the blue finishing flag is displayed on the main committee boat NO boats shall enter the Finishing Exclusion Zone other than boats that are finishing who shall leave the zone immediately. See Attachment B

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 The time limits and target times are as follows: Time limit......45 minutes Target time......30 minutes Finish window......15 minutes In winds averaging less than 10 knots the Finishing window is increased to 20 minutes

14.2 Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window (the time after the first boat sails the course and finishes) will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42 will apply, as changed by SI 15.2
- 15.2 RRS 44.1 and RSS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns penalty is replaced by a One-Turn penalty.
- 15.3 For breaches of the SIs marked [SP], the race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing. A list of these breaches and the associated standard penalties will be posted on the Official Notice Board. However, the race committee may protest a boat when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A boat that has been penalised with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another boat nor can another boat request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 63.1 and Appendix A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit will be posted on the jury notice board located at the PC Course. The protest time limit will be 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. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area. This time limit also applies to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 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 designated jury room at the Race Office. Hearings may start before the scheduled time with the agreement of all parties.
- 16.4 The Race Committee, Technical Committee or International Jury intending to protest a boat under RRS 60.2, 60.3 or 62.4 will comply with RRS 61.1(b) by informing her by posting a notice before the end of the protest time limit.
- 16.5 A list of boats that have been penalised under RRS Appendix P on the water or have been disqualified by the jury will be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.6 For the purposes of RRS 64.3(b) the 'authority responsible' is the Race Committee appointed by the Organising Authority.
- 16.7 On the last day of racing of each series a request for redress from a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 16.8 The time limit for requests under RRS N1.3(b) is 5 minutes after a party is informed of a decision.

17. INTERNATIONAL JURY

Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

18. SCORING

- 18.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply to the Series.
- 18.2 THREE races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.3 When fewer than FOUR races have been completed, a boat's Series score shall be the sum of her race scores.

- 18.4 When FOUR or more races have been completed, a boat's Series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 18.53 Series ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

19. OFFICIAL BOATS

20. SUPPORT BOATS [DP][NP]

- 20.1 Coaches shall not be in the area where boats are racing or within 100 metres of any boat racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This SI does not apply during rescue operations.
- 20.2 At all times while on water, support boats shall display either their national flag on a staff with the top of the hoist minimum 1.5 m above water level or their national code letters (minimum height 200mm) on the outside of the hull or on the outboard motor cover.
- 20.3 Support boats that are motoring at more than 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat that is racing.
- 20.4 Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 20.5 All support boats are at all times submitted to the Organising Committee and Race Committee authority, are legally considered as assistance / rescue boats and must comply with any instructions given by these authorities or by the police.
- 20.6 The International Jury may direct the Organising Authority to revoke privileges from any boat or person found to be in breach of SI 20.

21. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for the first three places overall.

22. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this

venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for this event and to attend any competitors meetings held for this event.

23. INSURANCE [DP][NP]

Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least \$ 500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

Attachment A

Course Diagram

LA	COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD with spreader mark and leeward finish	
Signal Mark Rounding Order		
LA2 Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish		
LA3 Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish		
LA4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish	
Start & Finish		

Attachment B

Finishing Exclusion Zone

