

DF95 Race

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-28 (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS 32.1 is changed to add: (e) for any reason considered appropriate by the Race Committee.
- 1.3. RRS 40.1 Personal Flotation Devices, shall apply at all times while afloat.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1100 or no later than 70 minutes before the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2. [NP] Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by the Race Committee boat displaying flag L with one sound signal. The Race Committee and support boats will hail the change and repeat it as necessary until acknowledged by each boat. The change will be posted on the Official Notice Board ashore before the end of the day's racing.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located in the Dubai Offshore Sailing Club.
- 3.2. The race office is located at the DOSC Sailing Admin Office, email-sailingadmin@doscuae.com

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1. Competitors and support persons shall comply promptly with any reasonable request by a Race Official.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Club Flagstaff.
- 5.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. Races are scheduled as per the Notice of Race.

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. Does not apply.

8. RACING AREA

8.1. The location of the racing areas shall be detailed at the briefing

9. COURSES

9.1. The courses will be detailed at the briefing.

10. MARKS

10.1. The marks will be detailed at the briefing.

11. OBSTRUCTIONS

11.1. The Navigational Exclusion Zone located offshore the Umm Sequim coastal area is designated as an obstruction.

12. THE START

12.1. The starting line shall be detailed at the briefing.

12.2. Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 2 minutes before the starting signal.

12.3. Races will be started as follows by Lucy's voice recording.:

12.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. A boat breaking this SI may be penalised by the race committee with a 20% scoring penalty without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12.5. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Does not apply.

14. THE FINISH

14.1. The finishing line shall be detailed at the briefing.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1. Refer to the Notice of Race for the penalty system.

16. [NP] TIME LIMITS

16.1. The time limits and target times are as follows:

Class	Time Limit (1) For the 1 st boat to finish as RRS 35.	Time limit (2) Latest time to finish	Target Finish Time
DF95	15mins	20mins	10mins

16.2. Boats that do not finish within time limit will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, and A5.2.

17. HEARING REQUESTS

17.1. For each Class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.



- 17.2. A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finished, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee.
- 17.3. Hearing request forms are available from the race office at the sailing admin office.
- 17.4. The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied as provided in RRS 70.3(c).
- 17.5. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located and beginning at the time mentioned in the notice.

18. SCORING

- 18.1. RRS A5.3 applies.
- 18.2. RRS A5.3 does not apply for boats that are disqualified.
- 18.3. Average points may be granted for boats representing the club at National level events or in other exceptional circumstances that may occur. Competitors must notify the Race Committee prior to that particular race day.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1. [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1. Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 20.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

21. SUPPLIED BOATS

Does not apply.

22. OFFICAL VESSLES

Does not apply.

23. SUPPORT TEAMS

Does not apply.

24. TRASH

- 24.1. Trash may be placed aboard official DOSC support vessels.

25. BERTHING

Does not apply.

26. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC TOOLS

Does not apply.

27. PRIZES

- 27.1. Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each class
- 27.2. Additional Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organising authority

27.3. Daily prizes will be presented on the terrace at approx. 19:00hrs

28. RISK STATEMENT

28.1 Refer tot the Notice of Race.

29. INSURANCE

29.1. Refer to the Notice of Race for insurance requirements.