



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



ARGO GROUP GOLD CUP – 2015
Official Stage of the WORLD MATCH RACING TOUR
ISAF GRADE W
OCTOBER 7 – 11

Abbreviations:

PC – protest committee	RC – race committee
OA – organising authority	NA – national authority
RRS – racing rules of sailing	SI – sailing instructions
IJ – International Jury	NoR – notice of race
WMRT – World Match Racing Tour	STR – Standard Tour Rules

1 ENTRIES

- 1.1 To remain eligible the entire crew shall complete registration and deposit \$US1500 for damage and complete crew weighing, all between 0900 – 1000; 1500 – 1800 and 1930 – 2030 on Monday October 5 or on Tuesday October 5 between 0730 – 1200, unless extended by the OA.

2 COMPETITORS, NUMBER AND WEIGHT

- 2.1 The total number of crew, including the skipper, shall be 4 or 5, excluding persons placed on board by the RC. All registered crew shall sail all races. The skippers are listed in SI Addendum A.
- 2.2 The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350kg, determined at the time of registration.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the RBYC terrace.
- 3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main RBYC flagpole.
- 3.3 Skippers shall attend the first briefing, which will be at 1700 on October 6 in the Lord Mark Kerr Dining Room, unless excused by the OA.
- 3.4 The first meeting with the umpires will follow the first briefing.
- 3.5 A daily morning meeting will start one hour before the intended first attention signal, on the RBYC terrace.
- 3.6 Skippers shall attend a press conference on the RBYC terrace each day they race, starting approximately 30 minutes after the last race of the day

4 BOATS and SAILS

- 4.1 The event will be sailed in International One Design type boats
- 4.2 The sails to be used will be allocated by the RC. The sail combination to be used will be signalled from the RC boat with or before the attention signal. The signals will have the following meanings:

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Sail combination to be used</u>
None	Jib, Full Main, Spinnaker
Flag W	Jib, Full Main, No Spinnaker

- 4.3 Competitors may be requested to exchange sails during a series to satisfy sponsorship commitments. This will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
- 4.4 Additions to STR Attachment C – Handling of Boats and Equipment Prohibited Items and Actions

2.26 The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) above the lower bottle screw (turnbuckle) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard

A breach of STR C 2.26, is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by Umpires in accordance with RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C6.2 and C8.2.



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5 EVENT FORMAT and RACE SCHEDULES

- 5.1 Event Format 6 as detailed in STR Attachment A will be used.
- 5.2 The racing days are scheduled as 7 to 11 October.
- 5.3 The latest time for an attention signal on the last scheduled day of racing will be around 1700
- 5.4 The intended time of the first attention signal each day is 0900 except for Sunday October 11 when it will be 1000.

6 RACING AREA

- 6.1 The racing area will be Hamilton Harbour.

7 COURSE

- 7.1 Signals and Course To Be Sailed will be as described in the STR.
- 7.2 Description of Marks
 - The RC vessel will be identified by a blue RC flag.
 - The starting/finishing line mark will be an orange cylindrical buoy.
 - Mark W will be a yellow tetrahedron.
 - Mark L₁/L₂ will be yellow tetrahedrons.
 - The replacement marks will be a red, green or yellow tetrahedron.
- 7.3 Starting/Finishing Line
 - The starting/finishing line will be a straight line between the course side of a starting/finishing line mark and a flagpole flying an orange flag on the RC vessel.
- 7.4 Course Limits
 - SI Addendum F identifies the prohibited areas. While racing, no part of a boats hull shall enter these areas. Where the prohibited areas are marked by fluorescent buoys, no part of a boat's hull shall cross the imaginary straight line between any two adjacent buoys on the same side of the course. While racing no part of a boat's hull shall enter the marina at the Hamilton Princess Hotel.

8 BREAKDOWNS

- 8.1 A boat may display flag L to signal a breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails or injury to her crew and request a delay to the next start.

9 PRIZES

- 9.1 The principal prize for first place will be the King Edward VII Gold Cup.
- 9.2

First prize -	\$US 35,000	Fifth prize -	\$US 8,000
Second prize -	\$US 16,000	Sixth prize -	\$US 7,000
Third prize -	\$US 12,000	Seventh prize -	\$US 6,000
Fourth prize -	\$US 11,000	Eighth prize -	\$US 5,000
- 9.3 Prizes have been approved by the NA.
- 9.4 ISAF have been notified of these Prizes.

10 DISCLAIMER

- 10.1 All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

11 RULES

- Delete Rule C11.2(a) and replace with:
C11.2 (a) has the highest place in the Stage One - Qualifying round-robin series, applying C11.1 if necessary

SI ADDENDUM A – LIST OF ELIGIBLE SKIPPERS



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SKIPPER	TEAM	COUNTRY	TOUR RANKING #
Ian Williams	GAC Pindar	GBR	1 st
Joachim Aschenbrenner	Aschenbrenner Racing	DEN	4 th
Eric Monnin	Team SailBox	SUI	6 th
Phil Robertson	WAKA Racing	NZL	9 th
Johnie Berntsson	Berntsson Sailing Team	SWE	13 th
Chris Poole	Riptide Racing	USA	16 th
Dean Barker	SoftBank Team Japan	NZL	-
Blythe Walker	Team RenRE	BER	-

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SKIPPER	TEAM	COUNTRY	TOUR RANKING #
Bjorn Hansen	Nautiska Sailing Team	SWE	2 nd
Taylor Canfield	US One	ISV	3 rd
Reuben Corbett	Corbett Racing	NZL	5 th
Chris Steele	36 Below Racing	NZL	8 th
Keith Swinton	Black Swan Racing	AUS	12 th
Nicolai Sehested	TREFOR Match Racing	DEN	15 th
Francesco Bruni	Artemis Racing	ITA	-
Adam Minoprio	Blackmatch	NZL	-



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SI ADDENDUM D – EQUIPMENT LIST

The following non-fixed items, provided by the OA, are to be carried on board at all times in their designated place while sailing. Any loss shall be reported on the daily damage report.

SAILS and SAILING EQUIPMENT

- Mainsail and set of battens
- Jib
- Spinnaker
- Two winch handles
- One spinnaker pole
- Two spinnaker sheets
- Two headsail sheets
- Tiller extension

SAFETY GEAR

- Life jackets for each crewmember
- Boat hook
- Bucket and lanyard
- Bilge pump
- Paddle

GROUND TACKLE

- Anchor and chain
- Anchor line

MOORING LINES and FENDERS

- Two mooring lines
- Two fenders

SI ADDENDUM F – COURSE LIMITS

