

Open Dutch Class Championship Hobie® Cat 2017

Hobie Cat 16, Hobie Wild Cat, Hobie Tiger, Hobie Cat 14, Hobie Cat FX One and Hobie Dragoon

24 – 25 June 2017

North Sea, off Scheveningen, The Netherlands

www.hobieclass.nl

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [DP] in a rule of the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

VENUE

The Kustzeilvereniging Scheveningen has the pleasure in inviting you to participate in the Open Dutch Class Championship Hobie Cat & Hobie Cat Class Event. The regatta will be sailed on the North Sea, off Scheveningen, the Netherlands.

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Kustzeilvereniging Scheveningen in conjunction with the Dutch Hobie Cat Class Association (HCKAN), with the approval of the Royal Netherlands Sailing Association (RNSA).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. The Royal Netherlands Sailing Association (RNSA) prescriptions that will apply are stated in full in Attachment A of this Notice of Race.
- 1.3. The 'Rules for Championships Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding' will apply.
- 1.4. No class rules will be changed under RRS 87.
- 1.5. The sailing instructions may contain minor changes to the RRS.
- 1.6. Any changes in the Notice of Race (NOR) will be published at the website www.hobieclass.nl (RRS 89.2(b)).
- 1.7. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.8. Every person on board who has his or her domicile in the Netherlands shall have the appropriate license.
- 1.9. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.

2. [DP] ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority according to RRS 80 and World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of above mentioned Hobie Cat classes.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration at the Race Office. Registration includes presenting proof of membership (if available) and written proof of third party liability insurance.
- 3.3. All competitors (skipper and all other crew) shall be fully paid-up members of the National Hobie Class Association or Hobie Fleet in good standing with the IHCA (IHCA General Class Rule 26).
- 3.4. Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form.

4. FEES

Required fees are as follows, payable in cash at registration at registration, or by bank transfer to NL78 INGB 0000877921 in the name of Kustzeilvereniging Scheveningen, referencing ONK Hobie Cat 2017. Payments by bank transfer shall be received by 21 June 2017. Entry is not completed until the required entry fee is received by the OA.

Double Handed - Hobie Cat 16, Hobie Wild Cat, Hobie Tiger	EUR 50
Single handed - Hobie Cat 14, Hobie Cat FX One	EUR 40
Youth - Hobie Cat Dragoon	EUR 20

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The Race Office will be open for registration from 0800 – 1030 hours on Saturday, 24 June.
- 5.2 The opening ceremony and briefing are scheduled at 1100 hours on Saturday, 24 June.
- 5.3 The first warning signal for the first race On Saturday, 24 June, is scheduled at 1155 hours. The first warning signal for the first race on Sunday, 25 June, is scheduled at 1055 hours.
- 5.4 On Saturday, 24 June no warning signal will be made after 1830 hours. On Sunday, 25 June no warning signal will be made after 1530 hours.
- 5.5 Eight races are scheduled for each class.
- 5.6 The prize giving and closing ceremony are scheduled to begin as soon as possible after the finish of the last race.

6. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 6.1 Boats are not required to display Nationality Code Letters on their sails as required by the RRS (RRS 77, IHCA General Class Rule 12.4, Hobie Tiger and Wild Cat Class Rule C1.1 (f)).
- 6.2 No pre-race equipment inspection will apply. Corrector weights, if applicable, must be available for inspection during registration, before and after each race.
- 6.4 In accordance with RRS 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of RRS 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the sailing instructions or equipment inspection regulations (EIR).
- 6.5 The equipment limitations as specified in the IHCA Class Rules shall apply.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available during registration at the Race Office and on the Event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the Sailing Instructions.

8. VENUE

Attachment B shows the location of the venue and racing areas.

9. THE COURSES

The courses will be Standard IHCA Courses.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. RRS 44.1 is changed, so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty
- 10.2. The Sailing Instructions may include a specification of discretionary penalties that may be applied by the Protest Committee for breaches of specific rules. The Sailing Instructions may include a specification of standard penalties that may be applied by the Race Committee without hearing for specific rules; this will change RRS 63.1 and Appendix A5. These will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.3. Arbitration will be in effect for protests involving RRS Part 2.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 Three races are required to be complete to constitute a series.
- 11.2 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores.
- 11.3 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

12. [DP] SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL

- 12.1 All support boats shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 12.3 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race committee displays Code Flag V all the support boats will have to assist with rescue operations as requested by the Race committee.
- 12.4 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

13. [DP] BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places at the beach.

14. [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the Race Committee.

15. PRIZES

Helmsman and crew of the winning boat are awarded the title "Class Champion". The responsible person of the winning boat acquires the Red Pennant of the RNSA. Prizes will be awarded to every helmsman and crew of the first, second and third raking boats in the events. The Organizing Authority may restrict the number of prizes for classes with limited entries or award additional prizes.

16. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

By participating in the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

17. ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

Doping control will be conducted in accordance with the World Sailing Anti-Doping Code 21. In-competition testing may be carried out at the Venue.

18. INSURANCE

Each participating boat must hold third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least Euro 1,500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20. RACE OFFICE

Kustzeilvereniging Scheveningen	Zwarte Pad 2586 JL Scheveningen The Netherlands
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www.kzvs.nl	Club house – De Roef Noorderstrand

FURTHER INFORMATION

Information on entrance to the Zwart Park parking lot will be made available at the www.hobieclass.nl

Transport for boats and trailers will be handled by the OA on Friday 23 June, 1700 – 2100 hours and during registration hours.

Cars and camping at the beach are strictly forbidden.

A social program will be provided at registration.

For further information please visit www.hobieclass.nl or contact the Race Office directly.

ATTACHMENT A - PRESCRIPTIONS of the Royal Netherlands Sailing Association (RNSA)

RRS 5

The Dutch Doping Regulation of the RNSA applies for all events under the jurisdiction of the RNSA.

RRS 46

A responsible person who has his domicile in the Netherlands shall have a valid racing license or event license, issued by or in the name of the RNSA. The race committee shall verify this requirement. If this requirement is not fulfilled the race committee shall reject or cancel the entry of the boat in accordance with RRS 76.1 or the race committee shall protest the boat.

RRS 47

With exception of the responsible person every other person on board, who has his domicile in the Netherlands, shall have a valid crew license, event crew license, racing license or event license, issued by or in name of the RNSA. The race committee shall verify this requirement. If this requirement is not fulfilled the entry of the boat shall be rejected or cancelled in accordance with RRS 76.1 or the race committee shall protest the boat.

RRS 67

Damages

- a) a. Every issue of liability or claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by The Racing Rules of Sailing shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the court and not considered by a protest committee.
- b) b. A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not thereby admit liability for damages or that he has broken a rule.
- c) c. A goal of the rules is avoiding contact. By participating in an event under the rules a boat accepts that the responsibility for damages occurred by breaking a rule will be based on guilt caused by applying the rules and not on accepting the risks.

RRS 69.2

In addition to this rule the protest committee shall report every warning or penalty under RRS 69.2(j) to the Appeals Committee of the RNSA.

RRS 70.5

Approval of the RNSA is required for denying the right of appeal if this is necessary for reasons stated in RRS 70.5(a).

The approval for either RRS 70.5(a) or RRS 70.5(b) shall be posted on the official notice board of the event. However, the denial of appeal shall not apply to a party to a hearing under RRS 69.2, Misconduct, but the decision of the protest committee shall determine the results of the event.

RRS 78.1

The race committee shall verify that a participating boat has a valid certificate, according to the class rules.

If a boat does not fulfill this requirement, with exception of what is mentioned in RRS 78.2, his entry shall be rejected or cancelled according to RRS 76.1, or the race committee shall protest the boat.

RRS 88.2

It is not permitted that Sailing Instructions contain changes to the Prescriptions of the RNSA or prescribe that they do not apply, without prior written permission of the RNSA.

RRS 92

At least one of the members of the Technical Committee shall have an official recognition as measurer or equipment inspector issued by World Sailing or the RNSA and shall give proof if required. The race committee shall assist the technical committee by requiring that boats, which are to be controlled, to report to the mentioned place without delay. If no technical committee is appointed, the RNSA has the right to appoint a technical committee. A copy of the application in writing shall be published on the official noticeboard of the event.

RRS G1

Unless prescribed otherwise in the class rules, the RRS G1.1(a), G1.1(c), G1.2 and G1.3 (as far as applicable) also apply for the by the RNSA recognized national classes.

Note: The IHCA Class Rules apply.

ATTACHMENT B – Venue and Racing Area

