Russia-Japan Friendship Regatta

Organized by Japan MELGES Class Association and MELGES Japan Authorized by Japan Sailing Federation (Under review) Supported by Enoshima Koya and Otsuki Pearl Venue : Enoshima Yacht Harbor

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by rules defined in International Audi MELGES 20 class rules.
 - (a) Rule B.4.1 does not apply.

(b) Rule C.2.2. (B) does not apply. Crews shall be registered previously to the organizing authority (OA) by crew list.

- 1.3 ISAF regulation 20 (Advertising rule) will apply.Boats may be required to display sponsor's advertising provided by the OA.
- 1.4 All competitors shall wear personal floatation devices while racing, except for brief periods whilst changing clothing or adjusting clothing.
- 1.5 If there is conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. <u>NOTICES TO COMPETITORS</u>

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in front of the meeting room B at the main building of the Enoshima Yacht Harbor.

3. <u>CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS</u>

Any change to the sailing instruction will be posted before 0830 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.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the signal pole located in front of the regatta office.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 40 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. <u>SCHEDULE</u>

5.1 Schedule of event

Saturday 02 April

0900	Skipper's Meeting
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- 1025First warning signal
- 1800 Welcome party *Welcome drink and snacks will start from 1700.

Sunday 03 April

0830 Briefing
0955 First warning signal
No warning signal will be made after 14:30.
1600 Prize giving

- 5.2 Eight (8) races are scheduled.
- 5.3 Maximum number of the race per day is four(4).
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the race committee boat will display the orange flag at least two minutes before the warning signal.

6. <u>CLASS FLAG</u>

Class flag will be 'MELGES JAPAN' flag.

7. RACING AREA

See Attachment-1.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1 Course will be 4 legs with windward-leeward course. (See Attachment-2 COURCE ILLUSTRATIONS)
- 8.2 The Windward Offset Mark (OS) and the accompanying offset mark (OS) shall be left to port.
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first lag.

9 <u>MARKS</u>

- 9.1 The starting mark on the port end and finishing mark on the starboard end will be a yellow cylindrical mark.
- 9.2 The original Windward Mark (W) and the Leeward mark (L) will be a yellow cylindrical mark.
- 9.3 The Windward Offset Mark (OS) will be a yellow cylindrical mark.
- 9.4 In case of a change of the course, windward mark (W) will be replaced to a pink conical mark. The offset mark (OS) will not set in case of a change of the course. There is no change of the Leeward mark (L).

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the starting mark on the port end.
- 10.2 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting.
- 10.3 Boats starting later than 4 minutes after the starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.4 The race committee will broadcast recall and general recall on VHF channel 72. Delay or failure of a broadcast will not be ground for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee on the port end and the finishing mark on the starboard end.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Except an incident in the zone around the mark other than the starting mark, Two-Turns penalty shall be replaced by One-Turn penalty. This changes rule 44.1.
- 13.2 Penalties within the zone of the windward mark (including rule 31 and rule 42) may be taken after a boat rounds offset mark and before she hoists gennaker. This changes rule 44.2. However, this shall not apply if the change is for shortening on windward leg.
- 13.3 Appendix P will apply.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIME

- 14.1 Time limit is 90 minutes after the start and the target time is 50 minutes. If no boat has passed the Windward Mark (W) within 25 minutes the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet this time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15minutes after the first boat finished will be scored DNF without hearing. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest form is available at the race office. Protest and request for redress or request for reopening the hearing shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 Protest time limit is 90 minutes whichever is later after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing for the day.
- 15.3 Breaches of instructions 1.4, 17, 19 and 20 will not be ground for a protest by a boat.This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.4 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress from the protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

16. SCOREING

- 16.1 The low point system will be applied.
- 16.2 3 races are required to be completed to continue a series.
- 16.3. (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. SAFETY REGURATIONS

- 17.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.2 A boat that did not come to the race area shall notify the race office as soon as possible.

18. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

19. TRASH DISPOSAL

Trash will be placed aboard official boats.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications except for VHF.

21. PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd boat.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. A boat owns a responsibility for a decision of whether she participate in the regatta and whether she continues it. See rule 4 "Decision to race". The organization 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.

23. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

24. RACE OFFICE

The race office will be located at meeting room B in the main building at the Enoshima Yacht Harbor.

[Attachment-1] RACING AREA



[Attachment-2] COURCE ILLUSTRATION

