

**RG65 INTERNATIONAL CLASS ASSOCIATION
ASSOCIAÇÃO BRASILEIRA DA CLASSE RG65**



Sailing Instructions

3rd RG65 International Trophy

Niterói – Rio de Janeiro - Brazil

1. Rules

The event will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016, including the Heat Management System (HMS 2007), the Notice of Race (NoR), these Sailing Instructions (SI) and the RG65 International Class Rules.

The English language version of these documents shall prevail.

The Sailing Instructions shall prevail in case of conflict with the Notice of Race. This changes Rule 63.7.

2. Notices to competitors

The Official Notice Board will be situated near to the sailing area. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

3. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

Any change of the Sailing Instructions shall be communicated verbally before the regatta in which it will come into force. Schedule changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board until 18:00 hours the day before the day it will take effect.

4. Schedule

1st September 2014, Monday:

09:00 h – 12:00 h - Registration, measurements and free practice (race course closed).

14:00 h – Race course opened for training.

17:00 h - Opening ceremony.

17:30 h – Skippers meeting.

2nd September 2014, Tuesday:

09:00 h - Start of races.

12:00 h - Lunch break.

13:00 h - Resumption of racing.

17:00 h - Time limit for starting the last race of the day.

3rd September 2014, Wednesday:

09:00 h - Start of races.

12:00 h - Lunch break.

13:00 h - Resumption of racing.

17:00 h - Time limit for starting the last race of the day. (If no race has been completed by this time, 4th September will be used as a normal racing day).

18:30 h – Barbecue at Rio Yacht Club (Sailing), offered by the organizing authority.

4th September 2014, Thursday:

09:00 h - Free day or reserve day.

5th September 2014, Friday:

09:00 h - Start of races.

12:00 h - Lunch break.

13:00 h - Resumption of racing.

17:00 h - Time limit for starting the last race of the day.

6th September 2014, Saturday:

09:00 h - Start of races.

12:00 h - Lunch break.

13:00 h - Resumption of racing.

17:00 h - Time limit for starting the last race of the day.

18:30 h - Award ceremony.

* Lunch break times can be altered by the Race Committee.

5. Course and marks

The course will be defined by the Race Committee and displayed on the course board. Description of the marks, including starting and finishing marks stating the order and side on which each is to be left shall be posted on the course board.

The course may be changed only between heats or races. Any change to the course shall be posted on the course board and the next heat shall be preceded by a verbal warning.

6. Time limits

The time limit for the first boat to cross the finish line will be 20 minutes. Once the first boat has crossed the line, the time limit for the other boats to finish the race will be 5 minutes.

After every two races will be made an interval of five minutes, counting from the arrival of the last placed.

7. Protests

Protest forms shall be available at the Race Office. Parties to a protest shall be called orally by hailing that the protest hearing is opening. It is the responsibility of the parties to come to the hearing without delay accompanied by any witness. No other notice of the hearing will be given. The deadline for protests will be 15 minutes after the finish of the pre-protest.

8. Scoring

The races will be scored by the Low Point System, Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing. There will be no minimum number of races to meet and the Race Committee will work to carry out as many races as possible.

The qualifying race will count points to the overall results of the championship and can be discarded.

The number to discard shall be as follows:

1 to 3 races completed - no discard

4 to 7 races completed - 1 discard

8 to 15 races completed - 2 discards

16 to 23 races completed - 3 discards

24 to 33 races completed - 4 discards

And so every 8 races completed 1 discard will occur.

9. Rules of conduct

During the races no manifestation of competitors in relation to incidents, rules, instructions or acts of the Race Committee will be allowed. Only verbal warnings of protest will be accepted or other provided in the Appendix E. In the event of any competitor infringing this conduct, the Race Committee may penalize the competitor at its discretion in the following ways:

- Verbal warning
- 360 degrees turn
- 720 degrees turn
- Disqualification of the race
- Disqualification of the championship

10. Equipment Inspection

Each competitor can subscribe one hull, one keel, one rudder, one ballast and three rigs. Once stamped and signed, the equipments cannot be changed until the end of the championship, except in case of damage or loss. The request for replacement of equipment must be made in writing, reporting the reason to the Race Committee, which will evaluate the request and decide. The Race Committee may, at any time during the event, request equipment inspections. In the case of detection of any equipment that has been changed without the approval of the Race Committee, the infringer competitor will lose all points earned until this detection.