



# TOP OF THE GULF REGATTA 2019

## Thailand SV14 Parasailing Championship

### 30th April - 5th May, 2019

### Sailing Instructions

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that the penalty for breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.*

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 The following rules shall apply:
  - a) World Sailing Functional Classification System and Procedures 2017-2020,
  - b) The International SV14 class rules,
  - c) Para World Sailing Race Management Manual 2017-2020.

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in front of the OMYC hotel entrance.
- 2.2 Notices to competitors may also be posted on regatta website (<https://topofthegulfregatta.com>).

#### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Changes to the sailing instructions and/or any changes to the schedule of races will be posted no later than two hours before the scheduled time of the first start of the race day.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1. Signals ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in front of the OMYC.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in race signal AP.

#### **5 CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 5.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 5.2 Competitors shall handle any boats or equipment provided by the organizing authority with proper care and seamanship, and in compliance with any written instructions.
- 5.3 Boats not racing shall avoid the area where boats are racing and any official boats [NP][DP].

#### **6 SCHEDULE OF TRAINING**

- 6.1 Boats will be available for training on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 10:00-16:00.
- 6.2 A training schedule form to reserve a daily training slot will be available at the Race Office on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 08:00-09:00 as first comes, first served.

**7 REGISTRATION, SCHEDULE OF RACES AND FORMAT OF RACING**

7.1 Classification and Registration Classification and registration will take place at the Registration on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 09:30-16:30. Skippers briefing will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 08:00 at "D" floor meeting room. The briefing is opened to all competitors and mandatory for coaches and assistants.

7.2 **If the number of competitors is less than the number of boats, 11 races is scheduled as follows:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Warning gun</u>	<u>Races per day</u>
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	10:00	3
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	10:00	3
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	10:00	3
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	10:00	2

Subsequent races after the first race to follow as soon as practicable.

7.3 **If the number of competitors is more than the number of boats, 8 races is scheduled as follows:**

7.3.1 The competitors will be divided into two groups, Group1 and Group2 on a daily basis. These two groups will have as near as possible the same number of competitors. Group1 will sail 2 races in the morning and Group2 will sail 2 races in the afternoon. The OA will draw the boats for all competitors.

<u>Date</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Warning gun</u>	<u>Races per day</u>
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May To Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May		
Group1	10:00	2
Group2	13:30	2

Subsequent races after the first race to follow as soon as practicable.

7.3.2 For the initial assignment, all competitors will be sorted by alphabetical order of their last names. Competitors in the sorted list will be assigned into Group1 and Group2 using the pattern shown in SI 7.3.4. Race committee will post Group assignment on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May after the registration has been completed.

7.3.3 For the rest of racing days, Group assignment will be done using their ranking on the previous day of racing using the pattern shown in SI 7.3.4. If two or more boats' scores are tied, the tie will be broken using RRS A8. If a tie remains, the tie will be broken using SI 7.3.2.

7.3.4 Group assignment:

<u>Rank in previous day</u>	<u>Group Assignment</u>
First	1
Second	2
Third	2
Fourth	1
Fifth	1
Sixth	2
Seventh	2
And so on	

7.3.5 New Group assignment will be done **only if** Group1 and Group2 have completed their 2 races that have been assigned to them. New Group assignment will be based on the ranking available at 21:00 on that day regardless of protests or request for redress not yet decided. Race committee will post Group assignment by 08:00 on the day of racing.

7.4 On Sunday 5 May, no warning signal will be made after 15:00.

7.5 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

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## **9 CLASS FLAGS**

9.1 Class flags will be SV14 insignia.

## **10 RACING AREAS**

10.1 Appendix A shows the location of racing areas.

## **11 THE COURSES**

11.1 The diagrams in Appendix B show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11.2 If only one Gate mark is set boats shall round the single mark to port.

## **12 MARKS**

12.1 The marks will be yellow cylindrical inflatable marks

12.2 New marks, as provided in SI 14, will be a yellow with black band inflatable mark.

12.3 The starting and finishing marks will be race committee vessels and yellow and white and black and white inflatable marks.

## **13 THE START**

13.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

13.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races [DP].

13.3 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

13.4 A boat starting later than FOUR minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

## **14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

14.1 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. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **15 THE FINISH**

15.1 The finishing line will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

## **16 PENALTY SYSTEM**

16.1 RRS Appendix P will apply with the following changes:

The penalty under RRS P2.1 shall be the One-Turn Penalty. RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one. RRS P2.3 will not apply.

16.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16.3 The penalty for a breach of a rule not in part 2 and class rules may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification [DP].

## **17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

17.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

<u>Time limit</u>	<u>Mark 1 time limit</u>	<u>Target time</u>
60 minutes	20 minutes	40 minutes

17.2 If no boat passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

18.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

18.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals 'no more racing today' whichever is later.

- 18.3 Notices will be posted not later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 30 minutes before the end of the protest time.
- 18.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 18.5 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 18.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2

## **19 SCORING**

- 19.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 19.2 For Group racing only, RRS A4.2 is changed so that the scores are based on the number of boats assigned to the largest fleet.
- 19.3 For Group racing only, if at the end of the last day of races some competitors have more race scores than others, scores for the most recent races will be excluded so that all competitors have the same number of race scores.
- 19.4 When six or less races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores, when seven or more races have been completed a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score (This changes RRS A2.1).
- 19.5 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the Race Office.

## **20 [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 20.1 Check-Out and Check-In: All competitors shall check-out before racing and check-in within the protest time limit at dock A mooring area.
- 20.2 Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race office.
- 20.3 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the Race Office as soon as possible after returning ashore but no later than the protest time limit, by completing a retirement declaration form.
- 20.4 All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat except temporarily, when not racing, while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment, or for reasons of personal hygiene. This requirement shall not be enforced in the case of a very severely disabled person for whom, in the opinion of the race, after consultation with the Chief Classifier, the wearing of a conventional PFD would result in diminished safety. This changes RRS 40.
- 20.5 When the race committee displays flag V with repetitive sounds, all official and support boats shall monitor the race committee radio channel for that racing area for search and rescue instructions. The race committee will announce 'Flag Victor' using VHF Channel 72.
- 20.6 Support persons may go to the assistance of competitors, without interfering with other boats, if they consider that the safety of the sailor is at risk. Once assistance has been provided, a boat shall retire immediately from the race. A competitor who retires shall inform the race committee as soon as possible. This changes RRS 41.

## **21 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 21.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. Any change of crew shall not cause the team to become ineligible to compete under the Functional Classification System
- 21.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 21.3 All maintenance of boats will be carried out by personnel nominated by the Organising Authority.

## **22 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 22.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

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**24 [DP] EVENT ADVERTISING**

24.1 All boats may be required to display identification numbers and/or sponsors advertising for the duration of the event in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.4. These items will be supplied free of charge by the Organizing Authority at registration.

24.2 Competitors are not permitted to display advertising on supplied equipment or chartered/loaned boats except that which is provided by the Organizing Authority.

**25 PRIZES**

Prizes will be presented 1st to 3rd placed boats in each class.

**26 RISK STATEMENT**

26.1 Competitors and support team participate in the series entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

26.2 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

26.3 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

26.4 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

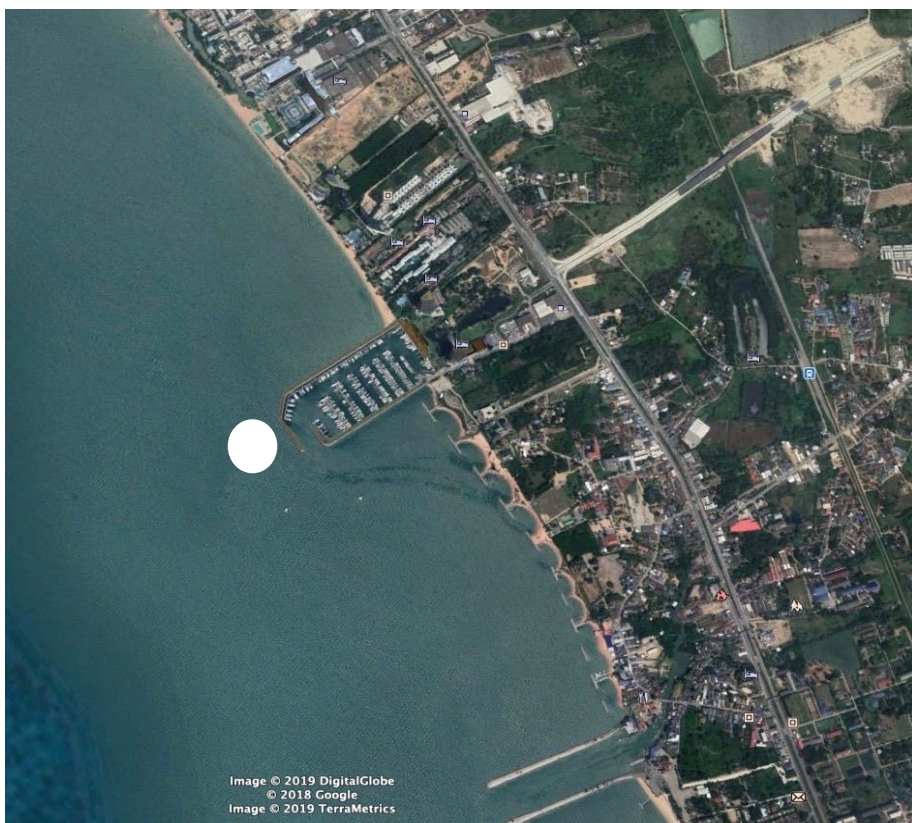
26.5 By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

26.6 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

26.7 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

26.8 They will familiarize themselves with any venue/event specific risks, adhere to rules and information produced for the venue/event and attend any venue/event safety briefings.

**APPENDIX A - RACE AREAS**



## APPENDIX B - COURSES

### Triangle Courses

T2 Start - 1 - 2 - 4a - 1 - Finish

T3 Start - 1 - 2 - 4a - 1 - 4a/4b - 1 - Finish

