

International Swiss Championship Fireball & Pirate Classes

Oberaegeri, 12. to 15. August 2010

Sailing Instructions

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- 1. Organizing authority**
Segel Club Aegeri, Seeplatz, Postfach 410, 6315 Oberaegeri
- 2. Racing area**
 - 2.1 The race area will be the entire Lake of Aegeri.
 - 2.2 Exact race course location will be selected considering prevailing weather conditions.
- 3. Rules**
 - 3.1 The regatta will be governed by the "rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including Swiss Sailing appendices.
 - 3.2 The "Regulations for Swiss Championships" will apply.
 - 3.3 Swiss federal law for inland navigation with local amendments.
 - 3.4 The International Fireball & Pirate Class Rules will apply.
 - 3.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will prevail.
- 4. Notices to competitors**
 - 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the north face of the clubhouse.
- 5. Changes to Sailing Instructions**
 - 5.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 8.30 am on the day it will take effect.
 - 5.2 Any change to the schedule of races for the following days however will be posted before 8.00 pm on the day before it will take effect.
- 6. Signals made ashore**
 - 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole located west of the club-house near the waterfront and jetty, accompanied with appropriate sounds.
 - 6.2 Flag signals with appropriate sounds:
 - **L** A notice to competitors has been posted at the official notice board
 - **AP** following races are postponed. A warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after removal.
 - **D** Do not leave the waterside, following races are postponed. A warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after removal
 - **AP over A** No more racing today

7. Schedule of races

7.1 Schedule: *(italic type: informal only!)*

- Wednesday, 11. August 3pm to 7pm: Opening of the race office, Check-in, delivery of sailing instructions, Measurement.
- Thursday, 12. August 9am to 12am: Measurement
9am to 12am: Check-in, delivery of the sailing instructions
12:30pm: Skippers briefing, competitors at the disposal of the race committee
1pm: First possible warning signal
3 races maximum
(6.30pm: *Opening aperitif in the club house*)
- Friday, 13. August 9am: Competitors at disposal of the race committee, 4 races maximum
(7pm: *Dinner at the club house*)
- Saturday, 14. August 9am: Competitors at disposal of the race committee, 4 races maximum
(7pm: *Dinner at the club house*)
- Sunday 15. August 9am: Competitors at disposal of the race committee, 3 races maximum
3pm: Last possible warning signal
appr. 5pm: Time of the prize giving ceremony will be announced after the last race at the official notice board

7.2 Scheduled Races:

- The Championship will be sailed with a maximum of 12 valid races.
- Races shall be numbered sequentially in the order of completion.
- To constitute the Championship at least 4 valid races must be sailed during the scheduled time.
- At one day no more than 4 valid races will be sailed

8. Class flags

- 8.1 The class flags will be: Fireball numeral pennant 1
Pirate numeral pennant 2

9. Courses and marks

- 9.1 The diagrams in the appendix show the courses. The courses are signalled on the committee start vessel with letters on white boards.
- 9.2 The minimal course length will be 3 km. The time limit for the first boat will be 90 min. The courses may be shortened after the second beat to windward, provided that the minimal length of the course is achieved.
- 9.3 The marks will be orange cylindrical buoys without numbers
- 9.4 The starting mark will be marked with a red flag, the boat at the finishing line with a blue flag.

10. Start and finish

- 10.1 The races will be started according rule 26 RRS. The warning signal for the succeeding class is the starting signal of the preceding class.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a mark, marked with a red flag, and the mast of the starting vessel at the starboard end of the line.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after the starting signal will be scored DNS. This

- changes rule A4 RRS.
- 10.4 The finishing line will be between a course mark and a committee vessel with the blue flag or the “S” signal.
- 11. Penalty system**
- 11.1 Two-Turns-Penalty, rule 44 will apply.
- 11.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired shall complete an acknowledgement form at the race office within protest time (Addition to rule 44).
- 11.3 Appendix P applies in full.
- 12. Scoring**
- 12.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 12.2 Excluding worst sores: Per four completed races one discard will apply
- 12.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF (This changes rules 35, A4 and A5).
- 13. Protests and requests for redress**
- 13.1 Boats intending to protest must inform the race committee immediately after finishing and announce the protestee (Addition to rule 61).
- 13.2 Protests shall be delivered to the race office within the protest time limit on the official protest forms, available there (Addition to rule 61.2).
- 13.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the starting vessel has returned to the shore.
- 13.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or the jury will be posted on the notice board to inform boats (Addition to rule 61.1.b).
- 13.5 The protest hearings will be held in the order of the delivery, if possible. Notices to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses will be posted within 30 minutes after the protest time limit.
- 13.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day, or no later than 30 minutes after the party was informed of the decision on that day (This changes rule 66).
- 14. Safety regulations**
- 14.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or the race office as soon as possible.
- 14.2 The official safety distance of 50 m from public ships shall be observed.
- 15. Replacement of crew or equipment**
- 15.1 Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Jury and will only be allowed for valid reasons.
- 15.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment, which must be measured, will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee.
- 16. Equipment and measurement checks**
- 16.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time by the race committee or a measurer for compliance with the rules.
- 17. Official boats**
- 17.1 The boats from the race committee will be marked with the club’s burgee.
- 17.2 The boats for the Jury will be marked with **JURY** on yellow flags.

18. Support boats

18.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or the race has been abandoned.

19. Radio communication

19.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

20. Disclaimer of liability

20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

20.2 The organizing authority, their members, employees, officers and/or agents are not responsible and will not accept any liability for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

21. Insurance

21.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance including racing.

Appendix: Course diagrams

