

# **BELGIAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP NACRA 15 BELGIAN CHAMPIONSHIP HOBIE CAT DRAGOON**

## **2<sup>th</sup> AND 3<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 For The Belgian Youth Championship Hobie Cat Dragoon the IHCA class rules will apply.  
For The Belgian Youth Championship Nacra 15 the Nacra 15 class rules will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the text in the English language will take precedence.
- 1.4 Every person on board who has his domicile in Belgium shall have the appropriate license.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration applies.
- 1.6 RRS 90.3(e) applies with a time limit of 48 hours. This changes RRS 90.3e
- 1.7 RRS 40.1 is applicable

#### **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located near the Club House.

#### **3 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency 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.

#### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 The regatta is open to:  
All Hobie Cat Dragoons multihulls, the Hobie Cat Dragoon class will be sailed as a Juniors event, as mentioned in the IHCA General Class Rule 17.7b, the age of each crewmember must be under the age of 16 on the 31/12/2023.  
All Nacra 15 multihulls, the age of each crewmember must be under the age of 21 on 31/12/2023.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter at the following website: [www.rbsc.be](http://www.rbsc.be)  
Entries and non-refundable registration fees shall be received at registration before 2th September 2023 11.30am.
- 4.3 Competitors shall show during confirmation of registration:
  - A valid sailing licence
  - A valid insurance certificate
  - A valid membership of their class association (if any)
  - The measurement form of the boat (if any)
  - A valid authorization of advertising (if necessary)
  - A valid parents' permission for the minors (if necessary)

#### **5 FEES**

- 5.1 Required fees are as follows:  
60€ a boat. Payments (in Euro only) shall be received onsite registration. Diner on Saturday evening not included, see point general information for reservation

#### **6 Spare**

#### **7 ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.

**8 SPARE**

**9 SCHEDULE**

- 9.1 Registration: Saturday 2<sup>th</sup> September – 09:30 to 11:30 hours.
- 9.2 Dates of racing: Saturday 2<sup>th</sup> September - Sunday 3<sup>th</sup> September
- 9.3 Number of races a day: all classes: maximum 5
- 9.4 12.00 hrs briefing with the race director (optional)
- 9.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on 2<sup>th</sup> September is 12:55 hrs (launch from 12.10 hrs)
- 9.6 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 16:00 hrs.

**10 MEASUREMENTS**

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. If needed by the class rules.

**11 SPARE**

**12 VENUE**

- 12.1 The race office is located at the following address: RBSC Duinbergen, Zeedijk 430A, 8301 Knokke-Heist. +32 50515593

**13 THE COURSES**

The course to be sailed will be as follows:  
All classes : Windward/ leeward sausage courses with a gate.

**14 SPARE**

**15 SCORING**

- 15.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**16-21 SPARE**

**22 RISK STATEMENT**

- 29.1 Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor, each parent present or not, each coach agrees and acknowledges that:
  - a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
  - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, crew and their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;
  - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
  - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
  - e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
  - f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
  - g) Their boat is adequately insured.
- 29.2 Any competitor under the age of 18 years will be required to obtain parental/guardian consent prior to commencement of the race.

**23 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.500.000 per event or the equivalent.

**24 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded by the RBSC.

A price is foreseen for the first 3 places in the Dragoon class

A price is foreseen for the first 3 places in the Nacra 15 class.

**PRIZES WILL BE REWARDED ONLY TO TEAMS WHO ATTEND THE PRIZE GIVING (REPRESENTED BY THEMSELVES)**

**25 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS**

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

**26 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For all further information please contact:

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1 Social events: Saturday 2<sup>th</sup> September**

There will be a diner (burgers) organized for the participants and parents at the Clubhouse on the beach. The burger is not included in the entry fee. The price for one burger is 10€ pp. Reservation for the burgers must be done by mail at [duinbergen@rbsc.be](mailto:duinbergen@rbsc.be) – [nathalie@rbsc.be](mailto:nathalie@rbsc.be) – [zeebrugge@rbsc.be](mailto:zeebrugge@rbsc.be) / or by phone (+32.50.51.55.93) no later than September the 1<sup>th</sup>. Please consider our organization!

**2 Accommodation:**

General informations are available on the web page from the local tourist office.

Early reservations are recommended as it is high season on the Belgium coast. Rbnb is the best option. It is advised to bring bikes to go from Hotel/Camping to beach area.

Tourist Office Knokke: Zeedijk Knokke 660 B 8300 Knokke-Heist

Tel. +32(0)50630380 Fax +32(0)50630390 <https://knokkeheist.com/en/>

**3 Parking boats, trailers, rib's and car's.**

When you arrive at the beachclub, ask a jeeper (at the clubhouse) to come and get your boat, **DO NOT drive with your car on the beach!** To avoid any parking ticket(s), please make sure you park your car in the right place during the entire event.

**WE WISH YOU A PLESANT  
Belgian Youth Multihull Championship 2023 !  
WITH MANY THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!**