Draft Notice of Race Guide

Royal Ocean Cup
9-14 September 2013
Bornholm, Denmark

1 Organizing Authority
The Royal Ocean Cup is organized by the Royal Danish Yachtclub in conjunction with Bornholm Baltic Race Week under the authority of the Danish Sailing Association and under the overall authority of the Offshore Racing Congress (ORC).

2 Rules
2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2.2 The following rules shall also apply:

a) ORC Championship Rules
b) ORC Rating Systems Rule
c) ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3
d) X-35 One Design Class Rules

2.3 No national authority prescription will apply.

2.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 Advertising
The ISAF Advertising Code will apply. Competitors & Boats advertising will be without restriction, except that it shall not conflict with Event Advertising by the Organizing Authority, which will be:

- bow numbers with advertisement, which have to be displayed as forward as possible on the both sides of the first 20% of the hull
- advertisements to be displayed on the both sides of the foremost 20% of the mainsail boom
- a sponsor’s flag that has to be flown on the backstay throughout the entire event.

The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of onboard video cameras, position devices, and guest riders whose on-board position restrictions will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

4 Eligibility
Competitors shall comply with the ISAF Eligibility Code. The regatta is open to all boats with a valid ORC International certificate or a valid X-35 One Design Class certificate. The event is a team race among countries. Each team will consist of a X-35 One Design boat, one boat in ORCi Class 1 (<600 sec/mi GPH) and one boat in ORCi Class 2 boat (≥600 sec/mi GPH)

5 ISAF Classification and Nationality
5.1 For each team the ISAF Sailor Classification Code, Regulation 22 shall apply. ORCi Class 1 boats are allowed to carry four Group 3 crews, Class 2 boats three Group 3 crews and OD boats three Group 3 crews. All boats are to be helmed by either an owner or by a Group 1 registered helmsman. An owner helmsman may be Group 3 without counting towards the limit of Group 3 crew.

5.2 A maximum of two crew members on each boat may hold a different nationality then that of the country the boat represents.
5.3 Each team shall appoint a team manager as a direct contact between the team and the organizers, the International Jury etc.

5.4 Each entry shall include a complete crew list and show the Classification status and ISAF Sailor ID for each crew. The closing date for the receipt of all crew lists shall be 26th August 2013. All crew shall hold valid classifications prior to this date that do not expire until after the final day of the regatta. Details of the ISAF Classification Code and information on how to apply can be found on the ISAF website: www.sailing.org/classification.

5.5 A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks. Competitors shall attend interviews with the Commission when requested to do so. Competitors are reminded that the Commission has the power to change a classification at the event with no prior notice. Any changes are effective immediately.

5.6 Should a boat whose entry has been checked and accepted need to change a crew member between 26th August 2013 and the start of the regatta, the name of the new crew member with their valid ISAF I/D number must be submitted to the Organizing Authority for their approval (and for the approval of the International Jury). All crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board or website by no later than 1200 on 9 Sept 2013.

6 Entries and Entry Fee

6.1 Eligible teams may enter by completing the entry form and sending it before June 1st 2013 to the:

**KDY**
Tuborg Havn
Denmark

with a copy of the yacht’s rating certificate to www.kdy.dk/ROC

6.2 The entry fee of **3400,- Euro** per team should be forwarded to

**Danske Bank**
Bank account: IBAN DK48 3000 4140 1310 08
SWIFT-BIC: DABADKKK
Bank name: Danske Bank
Account holder: KDY

The entry fee is refundable by 50% before May 1st 2013.

6.3 A team is considered to be Pre-registered if the following documents are received:

a) Completed and signed official entry form
b) Current ORC Certificate and class certificate for all 3 boats. Certificates may not be modified after September 1, and any modified certificate shall be submitted to the Organizing Authority immediately thereafter
c) Entry fee payment confirmation

6.4 The organizer is not responsible for any costs incurred by the non-acceptance of a boat’s registration.

6.5 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

7 Registration

7.1 Each Team captain and the Owners or Skippers of the Team’s boats must personally register in the Race Office.

7.2 The following documents shall be presented at registration:

a) Valid ORCi or Class certificate
b) Valid third-party insurance
c) If advertising is displayed, a respective National Authority’s permission

d) Crew list with name, surname, national sailing licence number, ISAF Sailor I/D and weight for each crew member

e) Contact phone number both on boat and land, including the name of the contact person

f) Liability acceptance form, duly filled out and signed. This changes RRS 78.2.

7.3 No changes shall be made on ORC International certificate unless prescribed by the Measurement Committee and International Jury’s approval.

7.4 Measurement protests by the boats shall be accepted up to two hours after the posting of the final ratings.

7.5 Crew lists may be amended by filling a new form showing the changes. After this time, changes in crew may be made only with the written permission of the International Jury.

7.6 Protests by boats regarding ISAF Sailors Classification Code shall be accepted up to 17.00 on 10th Sept 2013.

8 Schedule

8.1
Day 1, 9/9 - Registration and measurement
Day 2, 10/9 - Registration and measurement, opening ceremony
Day 3, 11/9 - inshore races
Day 4, 12/9 – inshore races
Day 5, 13/9 - Offshore race
Day 6, 14/9 - inshore race(s), closing ceremony

a) The offshore race will be a race of approximately 12-14 hours duration for the slowest boat. The scoring coefficient shall be 2.0. Offshore races may be re-scheduled when required by weather conditions.

b) Inshore races shall be of approximately 1.5 to 2 hours duration, and shall have a scoring coefficient of 1.0.

8.2 Seven races are scheduled including one offshore race and six inshore races. Inshore races will be windward/leeward races, except where unusual or extreme local conditions make it impossible to sail a windward/leeward course, then the International Jury may give permission to sail a substitute course.

8.3 The championship is valid if at least 4 inshore races and 1 offshore race are completed. There will be no discards for any boats or teams.

9 Measurement
Each boat shall be available for measurement inspection from 09.00 on 9/9 until 21.00 on 10/9. Measurement and rules compliance inspections will be carried out throughout the championship before or after each race with emphasis on boats well placed in the results. The inspection will also include freeboards whenever possible.

10 Sailing Instructions
Sailing Instructions will be available for each entrant at completion of the registration formalities.

11 Scoring
11.1 Windward/leeward race results for Class 1 and Class2 will be determined by corrected times calculated by Performance Curve Scoring. One Design scores will be determined on elapsed time results.

11.2 Offshore race results for Class 1 and 2 will be determined by corrected times calculated by offshore Performance Line Scoring. One Design scores will be determined on elapsed time results.
11.3 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply. Points will be multiplied by the appropriate scoring coefficient. The Team result will be the accumulated scores from the 3 boats of the team over the races completed.

12 International Jury
An International Jury appointed according to the RRS Appendix N will supervise the event with no right of appeal according to the RRS 70.5.

13 Nautical charts
The following nautical charts of the Bornholm area are utilized as a reference in the Sailing Instructions: 189 Bornholm and surroundings.

14 Moorings
Harbour still to be decided.

15 Media rights
Competitors, owners and their guests give absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

16 Communication
Except when communicating with the Race Committee, a boat while racing shall not transmit or receive communication of any information not publicly available to all boats participating.

17 Trophies and Prizes
The winning teams shall receive the Royal Ocean Cup. Individual prizes will also be awarded to the top three entries in each of the three classes.

19 Disclaimer of Liability
All those taking part in the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organizing Authority, Royal Danish Yachtclub, Danish Sailing Association, ORC and any other party involved in the organization of the Royal Ocean Cup disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and materials, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the event. Each boat owner or his representative accepts these terms by signing the entry form. The attention of competitors is drawn to ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing.

20 Further information
For further information, please visit www.kdy.dk/ROC or contact Lars Ive at lars@ive.dk.