



2017 Beneteau First 36.7 WorldCup SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



1 RULES

- 1.1 The organizing Authority is First 36.7 Finland r.y. in cooperation with Helsingfors Segelklubb.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the Beneteau First 36.7 Finland One-Design Class Rules.
- 1.3 The following racing rules will be changed as stated.
 - (a) RRS 35 Time Limits is changed, see SI 14
 - (b) The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken on or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark her penalty shall be a Two-Turn Penalty.
 - (b) Rule 62.2 and 66 is changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and for requesting reopening of a hearing on the last day of racing. See SI 15.6
- 1.4 RRS Appendix T Arbitration will apply. However the first sentence of T1(b) is replaced with: " APost-Race Penalty is a 50% Scoring Penalty as calculated in RRS 44.3(c)

2 BOAT IDENTIFICATION

Bow Numbers may be required. While racing boats shall display bow numbers supplied by the organizing authority. The top of the sticker shall be approximately within 15cm of the deck and the forward edge shall be within 30cm of the bow.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the window of the HSK club house, room Iso-Pässi

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at Helsingfors Segelklubb
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes Race Signals.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Schedule of races:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Number of races</u>	<u>First warning signal</u>
Thursday, August 24	3	1100
Friday, August 25	3	1100
Saturday, August 26	3	1100
Sunday, August 27	2	1100

6.2 One extra race per day may be sailed.

6.3 No warning will be made after 1400 on Sunday, July 27

7 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will numeral pennant number ONE.

8 RACING AREA

Races will be held in or near the waters of Ytterskär in the Gulf of Finland.

9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams in Addendum 1 show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which the mark is to be left.

9.2 The leeward mark will be a gate. In the event that the gate is not in place, the single leeward mark shall be rounded to port.

9.3 Mark 1 will have an offset. In the event the offset is not in place, the single windward Mark 1 shall be left to port.

10 MARKS

10.1 Original turning marks will be orange inflatables.

10.2 The starting mark will be green. The finishing mark for downwind finishes will be yellow. The finishing mark for upwind finishes will be the active weather mark.

10.3 New marks, as provided in SI 12, will be yellow for the first change. Subsequent changes will alternate orange and yellow marks.

11 THE START

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

11.2 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her bow number and/or sail number on VHF channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat at the starboard side and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.
- 13.2 Rule 35 is changed so that boats finishing more than thirty minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). See SI 16.3

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within forty-five minutes or if no boat has finished within two hours, the race will be abandoned.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within thirty minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). See instruction 16.3. The race committee boat at the finishing line will lower the blue flag with a long sound signal when the 30-minute period expires. This changes rules 35 and A11.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is sixty minutes after the race committee signal boat docks.
- 15.2 Protest forms will be available at the protest desk, located on the lower level of the main barge. Protests, requests for redress, and requests for reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the sailing club or as directed by the jury secretary and will begin at the time posted.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 2, 17.1, 17.2, and 19 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress or reopening a protest hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting redress or reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting redress or reopening was informed of the decision on that day.This changes rules 62.2 and 66.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16.2 Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her race scores. After six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of all her scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.3 Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Prior to the warning signal of her first race each day, a boat shall pass the stern of the race committee boat displaying flag L, hail or display her bow number and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race after checking in shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.3 VHF channel 72 will be the designated channel for courtesy broadcasts. The race committee may change the courtesy channel by posting a signboard on the signal boat prior to the warning signal for each race or by posting on the official notice board.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR SAILS

Substitution of competitors or sails will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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.

20 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1 Except in an emergency, 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 and other electronic devices.
- 21.2 The race committee intends to use VHF marine radio channel 72 to broadcast courtesy information, including OCS hails after starts, to competitors.

22 PRIZES

Overall prizes will be awarded to the top three boats.

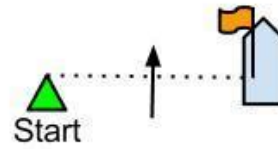
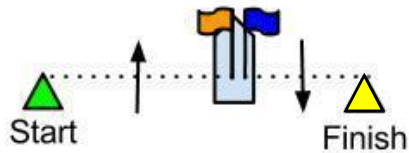
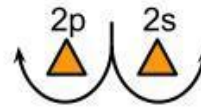
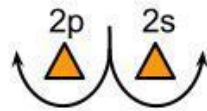
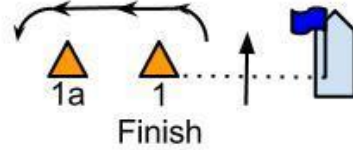
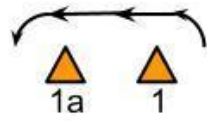
23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 250 000 EUR per incident for material and 500 000 EUR for personal injuries or the equivalent. A copy of the current insurance certificate shall be available to be shown prior to the start of the 1st race.

ADDENDUM 1 - COURSES



Course 4	Course 6	Course 3	Course 5
Marks shall be rounded in the order of Start, 1, 1a, 2p/2s, 1, 1a Finish.	Marks shall be rounded in the order of Start, 1, 1a, 2p/2s, 1, 1a, 2p/2s, 1, 1a, Finish.	Marks shall be rounded in the order of Start, 1, 1a, 2p/2s, Finish.	Marks shall be rounded in the order of Start, 1, 1a, 2p/2s, 1, 1a, 2p/2s, Finish.

ADDENDUM 2 – RaceQS usage

The competing teams are kindly requested to utilize RaceQS for tracking while racing. While this is not mandatory, it does allow us to have all races online to watch on a screen when we get to shore and folks at home can have a view online as well.

The event will be tracked with RaceQS, a free mobile app that is available both for iOS and Android devices. Every team should nominate a person in charge of tracking.

Instructions for use:

- Create a free account at raceqs.com and enter your boat's name there
- Download the free RaceQS app to the device you want to use (Apple store / Play Store)
- Open the app and under "Settings":
 - enter the account credentials you created on the website
 - Set "live streaming" to OFF (consumes data and battery)
 - make sure that auto shutoff has a long enough recording time, e.g. 7 hours
- Make sure the app is allowed to use your device's GPS position and that tracking works. You can do this by simply pressing on "start tracking" and check that the map displays your position correctly
- Press on "start tracking" before the first warning signal e.g. when you arrive at the race area
- After the last race press "stop tracking" or the blinking red square, depending on what device you are using
- Press on "save and upload". If you don't have mobile data available, you can also upload the tracks when arriving to the harbor through the free wifi

NOTE: please do a test run of your tracking app during Tuesday's pre-race or some other time before Thursday so that we have all boats successfully tracked throughout the event. More instructions can be found at www.raceqs.com

The tracks of the event will be available online here: <http://raceqs.com/regattas/60054>

The tracks of the pre-race will be available online here: <http://raceqs.com/regattas/60055>