



Notice of Race

17th International Marblehead World Championship Limone Sul Garda, Italy, September 23 – 30 2016

Organizing Authority

The 2016 Marblehead World Championship is organized by North West Garda Sailing in association with Gruppo Radiovelisti Idro, Modelvela Italia, and the International Radio Sailing Association.

1. Venue

The 2016 Marblehead World Championship will be held at Limone sul Garda (Brescia) Italy. Lat. N.45.801083, and E. 10.786632.

2. Rules

The event will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*. RRS Appendix E will apply.

The following documents will also govern the event:

- International Marblehead Class Rules
- IRSA Championship Regulations
- Equipment Rules of Sailing
- IRSA Sailing Addendum Q (Umpiring)
- Heat Management System (HMS) 2014 v2
- IRSA SYRPH
- IRSA Case Book

The Jury will publish a document setting out an accelerated procedure for protests and requests for redress.

Rules E6.6(f) and E4.2 may be changed in the Sailing Instructions.

No National prescriptions will apply.

3. Eligibility

The competition is open to International Marblehead class boats selected by an IRSA National Member Association in good standing with IRSA. The World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19) applies together with the additional requirements of the IRSA Championship Regulations.

4. Entry

- 4.1 Entries and allocation of places shall be governed by IRSA Championship Regulation 7, Entries (see Addendum 1)
- 4.2 The maximum number of entries will be 76.
- 4.3 Entry forms are available on the website at:
<http://worlds2016.marbleheadclass.org/>
- 4.4 Completed entry forms shall be emailed to: vboglietti@gmail.com before June 23 2016. Entry fees for places allocated under Stage One (Championship Regulation 7.2.1) shall be sent to the account indicated in NOR 6 Fees, before June 23 2016.
- 4.5 Each boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €50,000. For the purposes of NOR 4.4 the term 'boat' includes the designated competitor.
- 4.6 In order that a disabled competitor may be able to compete on equal terms, the race committee shall make as fair an arrangement as possible. Disabled competitors who require any form of help or special requirements should contact North West Garda Sailing, prior to entry to confirm that suitable arrangements can be made. It is the competitor's responsibility to determine that adequate facilities are available before entering the event.

5. Measurement and Registration.

- 5.1 Boats together with their measurement certificate shall be presented for registration and equipment inspection on Friday September 23 2016 from 0830 to 1800 or Saturday September 24 2016 from 0800 to 1600. The Race Committee may extend the time for registration and inspection if there is a valid reason to do so.
- 5.2 No boat shall be eligible to race until it has been registered and has passed equipment inspection.

6. Fees

Required fees are €340 for the event + €10 IRSA fees. Total € 350.00 net (excluding bank charges).

Payment via bank transfer:

Account name: NORTH WEST GARDA SAILING A.S.D.

IBAN : IT30 H080 1654 6400 0000 7377 509

BIC CODE: CCRTIT2T04A

Fee includes:

Skipper lunch from September 25 – 30

Opening Ceremony Dinner

Closing Ceremony Buffet

7. Schedule

June 23, 2016	Initial closing date for entries and receipt of entry fee
July 10, 2016	Allocation of places
July 15, 2016	Initial date for submission of Marblehead Class Certificates
September 23-24, 2016	Registration, Practice, Equipment Inspection
September 24, 2016	Opening ceremony
September 25 -30, 2016	Racing days 0900 until 1830. The Race Committee may continue racing after 1830.
September 28	Reserve day. There may be racing if less than 3 races have been completed at the end of racing on Tuesday September 27.
September 30 2016	Racing from 0900 until 1600 The Closing Ceremony will start at 1730.

More information at <http://worlds2016.marbleheadclass.org>

8. Sailing Instructions

The sailing instructions will be available at registration and may be available beforehand on the event website.

9. Umpires

- 9.1 World Sailing International Umpires or International Judges shall be appointed as umpires. National Judges and National Umpires may be appointed to assist.
- 9.2 Competitors will be required to undertake Observer duties.
- 9.3 An International Jury conforming to RRS Appendix N shall be appointed and the right of appeal is denied under RRS 70.5.
- 9.4 When a hearing is reopened under RRS 68 or N1.4(b) any decision to penalize or give redress made after the warning signal of any heat to which a party to the hearing may be promoted, shall not change the schedule for that race. This changes RRS 64.1 and 64.2.

10. Scoring and Racing System

- 10.1 The Championship will be raced and scored under the Heat Management System (HMS) 2014 v2.
- 10.2 Five races are required to be completed to constitute the championship.

11. Liability

- 11.1 All those entering or taking part in this Championship do so at their own risk and responsibility. IRSA, North West Garda Sailing, Gruppo Radiovelisti Idro and any other parties involved in the organization of this event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both on the water and ashore as a consequence of entering or participating in the Championship covered by this Notice of Race.
- 11.2 At all times the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves including the decision to participate or continue shall rest with the competitor. By entering the event you accept these conditions. Competitors are advised to ensure that they have adequate personal insurance that provides cover for public liability and their possible injury in Italy

12. Accommodation, Transport, etc.

Details of accommodation, catering, social activities and transport will be available on the event website.

13. Event and Venue Information

Event information updates will be posted on the Web site for the 2016 Marblehead World Championship at:
<http://worlds2016.marbleheadclass.org>

Addendum 1

IRSA Championship Regulations

Entries and Allocation of Places

This document presents Regulation 7 of IRSA Championship Regulations. For this event the maximum number of boats has been set at 76. These regulations will govern the allocation of places at this event.

7 Entries

7.1.1 The maximum number of boats for any IRSA championship shall be 84.

7.1.2 The initial closing date shall be three calendar months before the start of the event.

7.1.3 The allocation of places shall take place within 14 days of the initial closing date.

7.1.4 Member Associations should only send entry fees for those competitors gaining places allocated in stage one.

7.1.5 Member Associations shall send entry forms for their competitors entering in stages two, three & four only if they are prepared to guarantee payment of the entry fee for those competitors getting a place. Once a place is allocated payment is required whether that competitor races or not.

7.1.6 If at any time prior to the commencement of the Championship an accepted competitor is not able to participate in the Championship through accident or serious illness his Member Association may, within 10 days of the occurrence, notify the Host Member of the circumstances and nominate a replacement.

7.2.1 Stage one

In which no Member Association shall have an allocation of more than 8 places. The initial allocation of places shall be: -

- (i) a personal place for the previous champion; this place shall not be counted in any Member Associations total
- (ii) two to each qualifying Member Association,
- (iii) one place for the host Member Association,
- (iv) the EC may allocate places to competitors from non qualifying Member Associations, to a maximum of 4.
- (v) the remaining places shall be allocated to Member Associations according to the finishing order of boats from the Member Associations in the previous relevant Championship.

7.2.2 Stage two

In which no Member Association shall have their allocation increased above 10 places. If there are still places after the initial allocation

- (i) any available places shall be allocated to Member Associations that have sent in applications for additional places before the closing date, using the finishing order of boats from the Member Associations in the previous relevant championship. Then
- (ii) if there are still places available, those Member Associations still requiring places will be listed
 - (a) in order of their highest finishing place in the previous relevant championship, followed by
 - (b) in reverse numerical order of their subscription category, those in the same category will be split by drawing lots. Places will then be allocated one per Member Association going down the list repeatedly until each Member Association reaches the stage 2 maximum allocation, or has the places applied for in 7.2.2 (i) if less.

7.2.3 Stage three

In which there is no restriction on the maximum number of places for any Member Association. If there are still places available, they shall be allocated one per Member Association to those still wanting them, using the Member Association list described in 7.2.2 (ii). If any Member Association has requested places after the initial closing date, they should be added at this stage.

7.2.4 Stage four

If at any stage the maximum number of entrants is achieved, the organising authority shall notify at least the next five persons on the list 7.2.2(ii) informing them that they are a reserve should any Member Association reduce its places allocated in 7.2.1 to 7.2.3. If places become available immediately prior to the start of an event, the Organising Authority may make up the numbers to the entry limit, by informing the reserves and then continuing the allocation of places from the list referred to in 7.2.2 (ii).