

# TOPSPORT VLAANDEREN NIEUWPOORTWEEK 2014



Vlaanderen

## TOPSPORT VLAANDEREN REGATTA *ISAF Grade 3 event for Olympic Classes* **NOTICE OF RACE**

### CLASSES:

OPTIMIST - SPLASH - CADET - 420 - 470

LASER RADIAL - LASER - LASER 4.7

EUROPE - Dragon - SB20 - FC 7.5

NIEUWPOORTWEEK

JULY 05 – JULY 09, 2014

NIEUWPOORT, BELGIUM



The 26<sup>th</sup> Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta will be held from 5 July until 9 July, 2014 and will be sailed on the North Sea off the coast of Nieuwpoort, Belgium.

## 2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 26<sup>th</sup> Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta will be organised by VVW-Nieuwpoort, WSKLuM and KYCN, the yacht clubs in Nieuwpoort, Belgium

The Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta is a part of the Topsport Vlaanderen Nieuwpoortweek 2014.

## 3. RULES

3.1 The 26<sup>th</sup> Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing,

3.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.

## 4. ADVERTISING

The ISAF Advertising Code regulation 20 will apply. Each competitor shall display on both sides of his hull the stickers from the event sponsors, supplied by the organisation as stated in ISAF regulation 20.4

## 5. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

5.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the following classes:

Single Handed:

- Optimist
- Splash
- Europe
- Laser 4.7
- Laser Radial
- Laser Standard

Double Handed:

- Cadet
- 420
- 470

Other handed

- Dragon
- SB 20
- FC 7.5

5.2 Eligible boats may enter at the official Nieuwpoortweek website [www.nieuwpoortweek.be](http://www.nieuwpoortweek.be) before June 18 2014, to:

Nieuwpoortweek vzw  
Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta  
Watersportlaan 11  
8620 Nieuwpoort  
Belgium

5.3 Late entries will be accepted only during the registrations on Friday and saturday morning. We will charge an additional fee of EUR 12,5 per boat for late registrations.

5.4 The following restrictions apply:

If there are less than 10 entries in a class by June 18, the Organisation Authority reserves the right to cancel the regatta for that class.

## 6. FEE

<u>Class</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Single Handed	EUR 112,2
Double Handed	EUR 137,7

The entry fee includes:

- The official Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta polo-shirt for each competitor
- The Opening ceremony on Saturday
- The Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta party on Monday
- One ticket per competitor for the big Barbecue on Monday
- Social activities during the Regatta-week

Payments has to be done by bank transfer before June 18, 2014 to

Nieuwpoortweek vzw

Address : KBC Bank - Marktstraat 48, B-8620 Nieuwpoort

BIC: KREDBEBB.

**IBAN NR: BE58 4741 1210 7179**

After this date payment shall be done on site.

Please advise your bank that all costs are on your account. Payments received at our bank after June 18, 2014 shall be considered invalid for registration purposes. In this case the total fee must be paid in cash at the time of registration. Whenever a duplicate payment has been received, we shall refund the surplus less any bank charges

## 7. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

7.1 If there are more than 80 entries in a class, the regatta for that class may consist of a qualifying series and final series

## 8. SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time		Location
Friday	July 4	18h00-20h00	- Registration	NPW Central Regatta Office
Saturday	July 5	08h00-10h00	- Registration	NPW Central Regatta Office
		10h30	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting	NPW Central Regatta Office
		11h30 12h30	- first launch - Openings Ceremony	WSKLuM
		13h00 18h00	- Start 1 <sup>st</sup> race - 2 races is scheduled - Football	VVW Clubhouse
Sunday	July 6	09h00	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting - 3 Races are scheduled	NPW Central Regatta Office
Monday	July 7	09h00	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting - 3 races are scheduled	NPW Central Regatta Office
		19h00	- Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta BBQ & party	VVW-Nieuwpoort
Tuesday	July 8	09h00	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting - 2 races are scheduled	NPW Central Regatta Office
Wednesday	July 9	09h00	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting - 2 races are scheduled	NPW Central Regatta Office
		Asap after the last race	- Price Giving & Farewell drink	VVW-Nieuwpoort

Any race not started before 14h00 on Wednesday July 09 will be cancelled.

At the discretion of the Race Committees races may be rescheduled.

The Sailing Instructions will provide a complete schedule of starting times for each class.

## 9. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate.

## 10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at the NPW Central Regatta Office after registration.

## 11. SHORE LOCATIONS

NPW Central Regatta Office	Pyramid	Watersportlaan 9	8620 Nieuwpoort
<i>Will be published on the site after 15<sup>th</sup> of June.</i>	WSKLum	Halve Maanstraat 2B	8620 Nieuwpoort
	VVW-Nieuwpoort	Watersportlaan 11	8620 Nieuwpoort

Locations can be changed according to the number of entries

## 12. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

## 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 Appendix P, Immediate Penalties for breaking rule 42, as amended by Class Rules will apply

13.2 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5

## 14. SCORING

14.1 12 races are scheduled of which 4 are required to be completed to constitute a series.

14.2 The low-point scoring system appendix A of the RRS will apply to all races.

14.3 Further details for fleet racing and/or qualifying and final series will be defined in Sailing Instructions

## 15. TEAM LEADERS/COACHES

15.1 Team leaders and/or representatives shall register at the NPW Central Regatta Office before the start of the first race and give the sail numbers of all boats they are supporting.

15.2 All coach boats shall fly a white flag with black number. These flags will be available at the NPW Central Regatta Office. A deposit of EUR 20 is requested and will be refunded if the flag is returned to the NPW Central Regatta Office within 2 hours after the finish of the last boat of the last race. These flags must be shown on a stick (minimum 1,5m high). The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats associated with the infringing support personnel.

## 16. BERTHING .

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

## 17 SAFETY

17.1 The wearing of adequate personal buoyancy devices by all participants is mandatory at all times while afloat.

17.2 Each helmsman is obliged to get his identification badge issued by the organizer registration. This identification badge shall be handed over to the Beach Master when leaving the slipway and shall be collected back from him immediately after the race.

17.3 A lost identification badge must be renewed at the cost of EUR 5.

## 18. PRICES.

The following overall prizes will be awarded:

The best overall boat in each class will receive a Golden Trophy.

The second overall boat in each class will receive a Silver Trophy.

The third overall boat in each class will receive a Bronze Trophy.

The first boat in each class with an all female crew will receive Trophy.

Several other trophies and prizes will also be awarded in the different classes.

There will be one prize for 10 starters, two prizes for 20 starters, three prizes for 30 starters or more for each class.

## 19. 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. A competitor must be in good health and capable of sailing in all conditions.

## 20. INSURANCE

A valid third-party liability insurance must exist for each participating boat and may be checked at registration.

## 21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional information, please contact:

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Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta

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8620 Nieuwpoort, Belgium

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**Email: [info@nieuwpoortweek.be](mailto:info@nieuwpoortweek.be)**

**URL: [www.nieuwpoortweek.be](http://www.nieuwpoortweek.be)**

## ACCOMMODATION

### Official camping sites

Surf to <http://www.nieuwpoortweek.be/> -> ACCOMODATION - > NEARBY

For further information about accommodation please contact:

VVV Tourist Office - Nieuwpoort  
Marktpllein 7  
B-8620 Nieuwpoort  
Tel.: +32 (0) 58 22 44 44  
Fax: +32 (0) 58 22 44 28  
[info@nieuwpoort.be](mailto:info@nieuwpoort.be)  
[www.nieuwpoort.be](http://www.nieuwpoort.be)

It is very important to make your reservations for accommodation as soon as possible due to the very large number of holiday visitors who visit Nieuwpoort and the Belgian Coast during the summer.

## CONTACTS

### Boat Charter

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### Sail Maker

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Nautical Center  
Watersportlaan 15  
8620 Nieuwpoort  
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### Ship Repairs

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