

TOPSPORT VLAANDEREN NIEUWPOORTWEEK 2009



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 - FINN - 49er - Patin – 505

JULY 04 – JULY 08, 2009
NIEUWPOORT, BELGIUM



1. VENUE

The 21st Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta will be held from July 04 to July 08, 2009 and will be sailed on the North Sea off the coast of Nieuwpoort, Belgium.

2. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The 21st Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta will be organised by KYCN, VVW and WSKLuM, the yacht clubs in Nieuwpoort. The Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta is a part of the Topsport Vlaanderen Nieuwpoortweek 2009.

3. RULES

3.1 The 21st 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 regulation 20.3.1.(d) (i)

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
	- Finn
	- Patin
Double Handed:	- Cadet
	- 420
	- 470
	- 49er
	- 505

5.2 Eligible boats may enter at the official Nieuwpoortweek website www.nieuwpoortweek.be or by sending the attached entry form, before June 27, 2009, to:

Nieuwpoortweek vzw
Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta
Watersportlaan 11
8620 Nieuwpoort
Belgium

5.3 Late entries will be accepted on paying an additional EUR 10 per boat.

5.4 The following restrictions apply:

If there are less than 15 entries in a class by June 27, the Organisation Authority reserves the right to cancel the regatta for that class.

6. CLASSIFICATION

The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply.

7. FEE

<u>Class</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Single Handed	EUR 99
Double Handed	EUR 125

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

Payment has to be done by bank transfer before June 27, 2009 to

Nieuwpoortweek vzw
Account NR. **474-1121071-79**
Address : KBC Bank - Marktstraat 48, B-8620 Nieuwpoort
BIC: KBC Bank: KREDBEBB.
IBAN NR: BE58 4741 1210 7179

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

If there are more than 60 entries in a class, the regatta for that class may consist of a qualifying series and final series

9. SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time		Location
Friday	July 03	18h00-20h00	- Registration	NPW Central Regatta Office
Saturday	July 04	08h00-10h00	- Registration	NPW Central Regatta Office
		10h30	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting	NPW Central Regatta Office
		12h30	- Opening Ceremony, first launch	WSKLuM
		15h00 19h00	- Start 1 st race - Opening Ceremony with official presentation of all competing countries by the sailors	Kaaipelein - Nieuwpoort
Sunday	July 05	08h30	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting	NPW Central Regatta Office
		11h00	- Races	
Monday	July 06	08h30	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting	NPW Central Regatta Office
		11h00	- Races - Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta BBQ & party	Kaaipelein - Nieuwpoort
Tuesday	July 07	08h30	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting	NPW Central Regatta Office
		11h00	- Races	
Wednesday	July 08	08h30	- Team Leaders, Coaches and Meteo meeting	NPW Central Regatta Office
		11h00	- Races	
		16h00	- Price Giving & Farewell drink	KYCN

Any race not started before 13h00 on Wednesday July 08 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.

10. MEASUREMENT

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate.

11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

12. SHORE LOCATIONS

NPW Central Regatta Office	Pyramid	Watersportlaan 9	8620 Nieuwpoort
	WSKLum	Halve Maanstraat 2B	8620 Nieuwpoort
	KYCN	Krommehoek	8620 Nieuwpoort
	VVW-Nieuwpoort	Watersportlaan 11	8620 Nieuwpoort

Locations can be changed according to the number of entries

13. THE COURSES

Trapezoid courses will be used for all classes.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

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

14.2 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.4

15. SCORING

15.1 12 races are scheduled of which 4 are required to be completed to constitute a series.

15.2 (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from 6 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

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

16. TEAM LEADERS/COACHES

16.1 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.

16.2 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.

The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats associated with the infringing support personnel.

17. BERTHING .

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

18 SAFETY

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

18.2 Each helmsman is obliged to get his identification badge issued by the organizer upon 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.

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

19. PRIZES

The following overall prizes will be awarded:

The best overall boat in each class will receive EUR 150.

The second overall boat in each class will receive EUR 100.

The third overall boat in each class will receive EUR 50.

The first boat in each class with an all female crew will receive EUR 100.

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

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

20. 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.

21. INSURANCE

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

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional information, please contact:

Nieuwpoortweek vzw

Topsport Vlaanderen Regatta

Watersportlaan 11

8620 Nieuwpoort, Belgium

Tel.: +32 (0) 58 23 52 32

Fax: +32 (0) 58 23 40 58

Email: info@nieuwpoortweek.be

URL: www.nieuwpoortweek.be

ACCOMMODATION

Official camping sites

Camping reservations can be made through:

- K.A.C.B. Camping

Bassevillestraat 81

B-8434 Westende

Tel.: +32 (0) 58 23 73 43

Fax: +32 (0) 58 23 35 05

info@racbcamping.be

www.kacb.be

- Kompas Camping Nieuwpoort vzw

Brugsesteenweg 49

B-8620 Nieuwpoort

Tel.: +32 (0) 58 23 60 37

Fax: +32 (0) 58 23 26 82

nieuwpoort@kompascamping.be

www.kompascamping.be/nieuwpoort

For further information about accommodation please contact:

VVV Tourist Office - Nieuwpoort
Marktplein 7
B-8620 Nieuwpoort
Tel.: +32 (0) 58 22 44 44
Fax: +32 (0) 58 22 44 28
info@nieuwpoort.be
www.nieuwpoort.be/toerisme

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

Please use CAPITAL LETTERS or typewriter!

Class: LAS RAD – LASER – FINN – 470 – 49er – OPT – CADET – SPL – LAS 4.7 – EUR – 420 – PATIN

National Letters and Sail Number:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	HELMSMAN	CREW
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
First Name	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Sex	<input type="text" value="Male / Female"/>	<input type="text" value="Male / Female"/>
Date of Birth	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>	
Postcode and town	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>	
Telephone/mobile	<input type="text"/>	Email <input type="text"/>
Yacht club	<input type="text"/>	

Results in the past:	Best places World championships	:
	Best places European Championships	:
	Best other results	:

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- 2. Double Handed Boats: 470, 49er, Cadet, 420: EUR 125.

Please advise your bank that all bank costs are on your account if paid from outside Euro-zone.
Cheques can not be accepted. Fees and extra charges paid on site must be in EURO cash
Late entries, late payments or competitors who enter on site will be charged an additional EUR 10.

Date of payment:

Entry fee paid by:	MR.	MRS.	CLUB	FEDERATION	OTHER:	Name:
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Do not forget your bank documents to prove your payment at the registration desk.

Insurance:

The third liability insurance for each yacht may be checked at the registration.

Insurance company:	Policy number:
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1. The Organising Authority and all parties involved with the organisation of the event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the races covered by this Notice of Race.
2. The provision of safety equipment and boats by the organizers is neither guarantee that assistance can be rendered to any competitor in need, nor an acceptance of any responsibility for rescue of competitors. Further, in the event that assistance is rendered to any competitor, no liability for any loss, damage or injury to the competitor and / or the boat and its equipment is accepted by either the clubs or the crew of such rescue craft.
3. RRS Fundamental Rule 4: A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or continue racing.
4. I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event.
5. I hold and will produce a current measurement certificate for the above boat and membership of a National Class Association recognised by the International Class Association in order to qualify as a Competitor.
6. I declare that I hold the valid certificate of insurance mentioned above, which also covers me whilst racing (including Third Party liability) which will be valid for the duration of the event.
7. I understand that if the boat is in the charge of any person other than the undersigned, it is the responsibility of the undersigned to bring to the attention of the person in charge of the boat the provisions of this entry form. In addition I will also make the crew aware of these undertakings.
8. The establishment of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat he or she is sailing.

I have read the above conditions and accept the responsibilities contained therein.

Place:	Date:
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Return to: (before June 27, 2009)

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Signature (of parents, if necessary)

