



Finn World Masters 2024 Centro Velico Punta Ala asd 7 June to 14 June 2024

Organising Authority:

**Centro Velico Punta Ala in conjunction with the Italian Finn Association,
and in association with the International Finn Masters Committee (IFMC).**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

In addition to the rules specified in the Notice of Race, the following rules will apply:

- 1.1 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 1.2 In all rules governing this regatta;
 - 1.2.1 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
 - 1.2.2 [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing (this changes RRS A5);
- 1.3 In RRS 44.2 insert after the first sentence: However, if Mark 1a is set, a boat may delay taking a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, until she has passed Mark 1a.

2 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 2.1 RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times while afloat.
- 2.2 [SP] Check-out and check-in:
 - 2.2.1 Before leaving to race on each scheduled racing day, a crew shall personally sign out on the required form located next to the Race Office.
 - 2.2.2 Within the protest time limit after returning ashore, a crew shall personally sign in on the required form located next to the Race Office.
- 2.3 Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall notify the Race Office at the earliest opportunity.
- 2.4 A boat that retires from racing shall notify the race committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the race office as soon as possible after returning ashore.
- 2.5 When the race committee displays flag V with one sound or broadcasts 'Code Flag Victor' on the designated VHF Channel, all official and support boats shall monitor VHF Channel 72 for search, rescue and other instructions.

3 CODE OF CONDUCT [DP][NP]

- 3.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 3.2 Competitors shall handle any boats or equipment provided by the organising authority with proper care and seamanship, and in compliance with any written instructions.

4 RACING SCHEDULE and OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

- 4.1 As per Notice of Race, except:
 - 4.1.1 The start times for various colour groups are as described in Addendum C1.1.
 - 4.1.2 The Competitors Briefing will be held at 11.00 on Sunday 9 June.



5 COURSES AND COURSE AREAS

- 5.1 The course areas are shown in SI Addendum A.
- 5.2 The diagrams in SI Addendum B show the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 5.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the race number, the course designation flag with the class warning signal and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 5.4 A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port.

6 FORMAT OF RACING

- 6.1 Racing will be carried out in groups.
- 6.2 For each day, each boat shall be randomly allocated to a Group, designated by colour (yellow, blue, red or green).
 - 6.2.1 [NP] Group allocations will be determined by a random allocation system approved by the IFMC.
 - 6.2.2 [NP] The allocation into groups shall be made no later than 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.
 - 6.2.3 If all Groups have not completed the same number of races by the end of any day, the Groups with fewer races shall continue racing the following day with the new identification ribbon, although it may not correspond with the previous day's colour, until all Groups have completed the same number of races. All boats shall thereafter race in the new day's Groups.
 - 6.2.4 [DP] Boats shall be supplied four ribbons and shall display the coloured ribbon appropriate to the group to which they are assigned for each particular day. This shall be attached to the top of the sail.
 - 6.2.5 The Groups shall start at 10-minute intervals.
 - 6.2.6 The exact schedule of racing in Groups is shown in Addendum C.

7 MARKS

- 7.1 Marks 1, 1a (offset mark), 2, 3 and 4 or associated gate marks, will be as follows:

Marks 1, 2	Mark 1a	Marks 3s/3p	Marks 4s/4p	Replacement Mark	Finishing Outer Distance Mark
Orange mark with a white band	Small orange mark	Small orange mark	Small orange mark	Big white or small green mark	Yellow mark

8 CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1 The Class flag will be a plain flag of the colour of the group starting.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the port end.
- 9.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep well clear of boats in a starting sequence or starting, including the extensions of the starting line.



10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the nearby inflatable finishing mark.
- 10.2 The colour flag of each group finishing will also be displayed for the duration of its finishing window.
- 10.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

11 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

11.1

	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
1 or 2 races per day	120	40	20	75
3 races per day	120	40	20	60

- 11.2 The race committee will signal the closure of the finishing line by making a sound signal and lowering the relevant colour group flag on the finishing vessel.
- 11.3 If no boat rounds Mark 1 within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the Race Committee shall abandon the race.
- 11.4 No race will be started in less than 5 or more than 20 knots measured on the Committee vessel at deck level. The final decision will be taken by the RO and it will not be grounds for redress.

12 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 12.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board to be found at <https://www.manage2sail.com/en-US/event/FinnWC2024#/>
- 12.2. Online services may be available for:
 - 12.2.1 Hearing requests
 - 12.2.2 Scoring Enquiries
 - 12.2.4 Hearing schedules and decisions
 - 12.2.5 Messaging competitors
 Details for accessing these systems will be posted on the official notice board.
- 12.3 Signals ashore will be displayed North at the entrance (right) gate to the beach (launching area nr. 1) , and South right after the end of the Private beach (launching area nr. 2).
- 12.4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 12.5 [SP] No boat shall leave her berthing area until Flag D is displayed. When displayed with one sound means "The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after flag D is displayed".

13 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 13.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0945 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the format or schedule of races will be posted no later than 1 hour after the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

14 COURSE CHANGES

- 14.1 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32. The length and direction of legs of the course may be changed in accordance with RRS 33.



- 14.2 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. After mark 1 has been replaced, mark 1a will not be reset. (This changes RRS 33(c)).

15 HEARING REQUESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Requests for a hearing and requests for redress or reopening shall be lodged electronically through the Manage2Sail Sailor App within the appropriate time limit. Alternatively, Hearing Request forms will be available at the Jury Office, located near the boat park area and may be submitted there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 75 minutes from the last boat to finish the final race of the day on each course area, or the race committee signals 'no more racing today', whichever is later.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted as soon as possible 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 protest room, located at the Jury Office beginning at the time posted which may be before the end of the protest time limit if all parties are available.
- 15.4 A list of boats that have been penalised under Appendix P for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 15.5 For breaches of a rule marked [SP], the Race Committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty may be applied by the International Jury with a hearing. A list of these breaches and the associated standard penalties will be posted on the Official Notice Board. However, the Race Committee may protest a boat when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A boat that has been penalised with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another boat nor can another boat request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 63.1 and A5.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 The regatta is scheduled to consist of an eight race series.
- 16.2 Races not sailed on the scheduled day may be sailed on a following day.
- 16.3 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 16.4 Four races are required to be completed by all groups to constitute a regatta.
- 16.5 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.6 If at the end of the series some boats have more race scores than others, the other boats will be awarded average points of all completed races for races they have not completed so that all boats have the same number of race scores.
- 16.7 Scores (see letter scores in RRS App A) will be based on the number of boats assigned to the largest Group and not the total number of entries. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 16.8 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 16.9 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the Race Office.

17 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [DP]

- 17.1 Details of pre-first race equipment inspection, location and schedules will be posted on the official notice board.
- 17.2 Equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. When instructed by the event technical committee, a boat shall proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.



- 17.3 All items of equipment subject to event limitation control will be marked with the official event stamp or sticker. If a mark becomes unclear, insecure or lost, this shall be reported promptly to the event technical committee so that the mark may be replaced before the next race or at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 17.4 All boats selected for equipment inspection shall be presented for inspection with the full equipment, including sails, personal flotation device(s) and personal equipment.
- 17.5 Penalties for breaches of the Class Rules, rules of Section B of Part 4 of the RRS or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP], or [SP] should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the Jury and may be less than disqualification.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the technical committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity in writing on a form available from the Race Office.

19 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 19.1 Official vessels will be marked as follows:

Jury/Judges	Yellow Flag with Black Letters - J
Technical Committee	White Flag with Black Letter - M
First Aid/Medical	Orange Flag
Rescue or Marshalls	White Flag with Red Letter "S" or Red Numbers
Race Committee	White Flag with Black Letters - RC
Media	White Flag with Black Letter - P

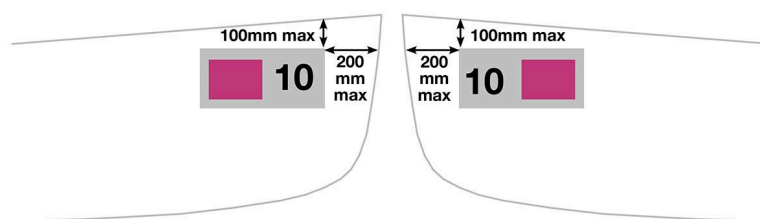
20 SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS [DP]

- 20.1 For the purposes of these sailing instructions a support person vessel includes any boat that is under the control or direction of a person as defined in the RRS as a support person.
- 20.2 Support person vessels shall display their national flag or national (NOC Code) letters at least 200mm high and clearly visible from both sides.
- 20.3 Support vessels shall not interfere with boats racing or official vessels or create a wake that affects boats racing.
- 20.4 Support vessels shall not be positioned:
 - 20.4.1 Closer than 50 metres of any boat racing.
 - 20.4.2 Within 50 metres of the starting line and marks from the time of the preparatory signal for any fleet until all boats have left the starting area, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
 - 20.4.3 Between any boat racing and the next mark of the course.
 - 20.4.4 Within 50 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark.
 - 20.4.5 Within 50 metres of the finishing line and marks while boats are finishing.
- 20.5 In addition, support vessels that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing.
- 20.6 Support vessels shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 20.7 All support vessels shall carry operational engine kill cords, which shall be used at all times when the engine is running.



21 IDENTIFICATION, ADVERTISING, CAMERAS and ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 21.1 Identification of groups: During registration each competitor will collect coloured ribbons reflecting their assigned groups for the event. While racing competitors will fly from the masthead so that it is clearly displayed, the colour ribbon according to their assigned daily group. Competitors will retain all ribbons for the duration of the regatta. Replacements will be provided at cost of 5.-€, except in the event of loss due to collision at sea or other reasonable justification.
- 21.2 When provided by the organising authority, boats or crew shall carry or display the following as instructed.
- 21.2.1 Bow numbers. During registration each competitor will receive two unique number stickers with a bow number which shall be fixed on each side of the front part of the hull with no part of the front edge of each sticker further than 200mm from any part of the bow and within 100 mm of the lowest part of the gunwale, with the bow number forward of any advertising, on both sides of the boat. (See diagram).



In the case of a sticker being lost replacements shall be obtained from the Race Office. Competitors shall make every reasonable effort to ensure these numbers stay firmly affixed. The relevant area of the hull shall be thoroughly cleaned and dried before application of the numbers.

- 21.2.2 Event sponsor advertising.
- 21.3 When provided by the organising authority, boats shall carry cameras as instructed:
- 21.3.1 Competitors shall make a genuine effort to comply with the instructions for operating the equipment as provided by the organising authority.
- 21.3.2 While competitors should take every care of the equipment, the organising authority alone is liable for loss or damage to the cameras and any equipment used for installing the cameras on the boats.
- 21.3.3 For the purposes of RRS Part 2 and the related Definitions, cameras and camera installation equipment are not considered to be part of the boat on which they are installed.
- 21.3.4 Boats shall avoid contact with cameras and camera installation equipment on other boats; however, a breach of this sailing instruction shall not be subject to any penalty.

22 BERTHING AND BOAT PARK [SP]

- 22.1 When ashore, boats shall be kept in their assigned places or zones on the beach.
- 22.2 Zones will be described by a notice published on the Official Notice Board.
- 22.3 Boats may only be removed from the beach for repair with permission from the Event Technical Committee or Race Office.

23 PRIZES

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded as described in NoR 14 as a minimum. See also NoR 4.3.
- 23.2 The Organising Authority will provide prizes for the top 10 boats overall and top 3 in each category.
- 23.3 The prize giving ceremony will take place after racing on Friday, 14 June at the Event Village.



24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 24.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. Neither the organising authority, IFA nor World Sailing will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



===== ADDENDA =====

ADDENDUM A - COURSE AREA – Approximate location



ADDENDUM B - COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS and MARK ROUNDING ORDER

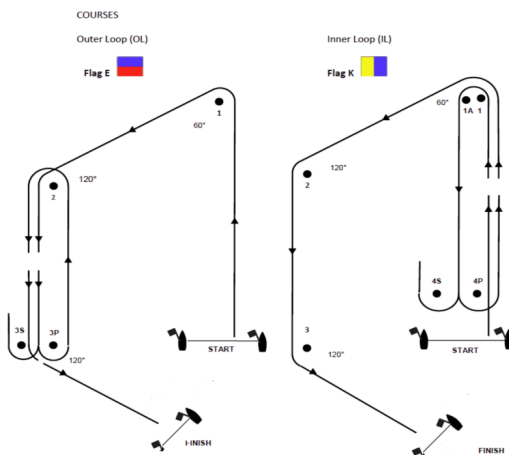
COURSES FOR TWO GROUPS

Course OL

Start – 1 – 2 – Gate 3S/3P – 2 – Gate 3P – Finish

Course IL

Start – 1 – 1A-Gate 4S/4P – 1 – 2 – 3P – Finish



ADDENDUM C – SPLIT FLEETS



C1.1 The Schedule of races will be:

Day	Race	Warning Signal	Course Area	Group
Sun 9 June	Practice Race	14.00 +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		14.00 +10 mins	South	Red Green
Mon 10 June	Race 1	12.00 +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		12.00 +10 mins	South	Red Green
	Race 2	asap +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		asap +10 mins	South	Red Green
Tues 11 June	Race 3	12.00 +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		12.00 +10 mins	South	Red Green
	Race 4	asap +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		asap +10 mins	South	Red Green
Wed 12 June	Race 5	13.30 +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		13.30 +10 mins	South	Red Green
Thurs 13 June	Race 6	12.00 +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		12.00 +10 mins	South	Red Green
	Race 7	asap +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		asap +10 mins	South	Red Green
Fri 14 June	Race 8	12.00 +10 mins	North	Yellow Blue
		12.00 +10 mins	South	Red Green