



Sailing Instructions

SM 2018 [Swedish DN Ice Yacht Championship 2018]

March 17-18th 2018

1. Rules

- 1.1 Races and scoring will be managed according to IDNIYRA By-Laws, NIA racing rules, the Swedish DN Regulations, the Sailing Instructions and the Skippers Meeting

2. Starting Times

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Day 1 <i>Saturday March 17th 2018</i>		Day 2 Sunday March 18 th 2018	
09:00-09:50	Registration	09:00	Skippers Meeting
10:00	Skippers Meeting	10:00	First scheduled start
11:00	First scheduled start		

- 2.2 Starting times of subsequent races each day will be announced by the Race Committee Chairman, reference IDNIYRA By-Laws.

3. Course & Race Area Location

- 3.1 The course shall be the 'Darling Course' of NIA as described in attachment A. It is to be sailed 3 laps per race.
- 3.2 The racing area will be indicated on a map posted in the event specific page at www.dnsweden.se. Details and eventual hazards will be further explained at the Skippers Meeting.

4. Marks

- 4.1 Marks will be described at the Skippers Meeting.
- 4.2 Darling-marks will be used near windward and leeward marks. Darling-mark will be part of the mark. Sailors are not allowed to pass between mark and darling-mark. Crossing the line between mark and darling-mark means disqualification by the Race Committee without protest hearing.

5. Starting Line

- 5.1 The starting line will be marked by flags (described at Skippers Meeting). The "wire" starting line system will be used. All sailors shall put leeward runner next to the starting position indicated on the starting line. Sailing over the starting line means disqualification by Race Committee without a protest hearing.
- 5.2 Competitors must go to the right (looking upwind) of the starting line after finishing a race.

6. Parking Area

- 6.1 A yacht sailing inside of the parking area may be disqualified by Race Committee without a protest hearing.

7. Fleet Splitting

- 7.1 If more than 60 competitors are registered or if the Race Committee assesses the conditions better suited for smaller fleets, the competitors will be divided into two fleets.
- 7.2a Competitors will at registration be asked if they voluntary would like to race in the B-fleet. If the Race Committee considers the voluntary fleet splitting acceptable, there will be no qualification series. Otherwise 7.2b.
- 7.2b Half of the fleet will by drawing be put in Q1, the top third (1/3) will then be given odd start numbers in the first A-fleet race. The other half of the fleet will by drawing be put in Q2, the top third (1/3) will then be given even start numbers in the first A-fleet race. The bottom two thirds (2/3) of the fleets will then by drawing be put in Q3, the top fourth (1/4) will be given the start numbers outside of the Q1 and Q2 qualifiers in the first A-fleet race. The remaining three quarters (3/4) of the Q3 fleet have now completed their first B-fleet race.
- 7.3 The Race Committee must be notified of any protest involving the A-fleet qualifiers within 10 minutes of the last yacht finishing. The protested sailor will be notified of the protest and given the choice of a protest hearing at the close of racing for today, or acknowledgement of guilt and withdrawing. If the protest goes to a hearing and the protested sailor loses, he/she will be disqualified from the regatta.

8. Starting order

- 8.1 DN-1, DN-2, DN-3 etc.
- 8.2 When qualifying: DN-Q1, DN-Q2, DN-Q3 (DN-B1), DN-A1, DN-B2, DN-A2, DN-B2, DN-A3, DN-B3, DN-A4 etc.

9. Starting & Finishing Signals

- 9.1 The starting signal shall be the swift lowering of the starters flag after he raises his flag to signify the preparatory signal. If the start is to be delayed after the preparatory signal the starter will slowly withdraw his flag.
- 9.2 The finish of the first yacht shall be signaled by the raising of a checkered flag, which will remain raised for 10 minutes or until all yachts have finished, whichever is earlier.
- 9.3 The Grand Prix finishing style will apply, after the first yacht finishes, all consecutive yachts will finish regardless of how many laps they may have completed. In each race, a yacht will be scored ahead of all yachts with fewer laps. Any yacht not finishing within 10 minutes of the first yacht will be scored according to her finish in the previous lap (if no laps have been completed she will be scored DNF).

10. Time Limit

- 10.1 The lap time limit (minutes) is 8 times the distance (km) between the leeward and windward marks. (2 km between marks = 16 min lap time limit).

11. Race Abandonment

- 11.1 A flag with a black cross displayed at the leeward and/or the windward mark shall signal abandonment of the race.

12. Protests

- 12.1 Intention to protest must be reported to the Race Committee immediately after the race. A written protest must be filed with the Race Committee Chairman within 30 minutes after the last race of the day.

13. Talking to the scorers

- 13.1 A skipper who attempts to speak to the scorers while a race is in progress may be liable to disqualification from the regatta.

14. Propulsion

- 14.1 A yacht may not employ any means of propulsion other than the action of the wind on the sails. However, the crew (unassisted by anyone except for reasons of physical disability as authorized by the Judges) may push the yacht to leave the starting line or to return the yacht to wind propulsion when necessary. This especially but not only means that pushing around marks or pushing across the finishing line is forbidden. The race committee will watch closely if any pushing is according to that rule and the present wind conditions/directions on the course. Other pushing shall be cause for disqualification.
- 14.2 The Swedish DN Regulations rule "Lex Viking" will apply (*see figure in attachment B*). Pushing the yacht below 90° relative the course between the marks looking upwind or at a higher course than normally sailed upwind ($45^\circ \pm 5^\circ$) is **not permitted** while racing. The wind direction is always presumed to be parallel the imaginary line between the windward and leeward marks. Violation of "Lex Viking" shall be cause for disqualification.

15. Parking Brake

- 15.1 Parking brake must always be available for immediate use. Any unattended yacht with sail up must have the parking brake engaged. Failure to do this shall result in DSQ in the race prior to the verdict and may result in disqualification from the entire regatta if damage or injury results and the Race Committee deems it appropriate.

16. Sailors Behaviour

- 16.1 Any inappropriate behaviour towards Race Committee or volunteers will be referred to Jury and may result in DSQ.

17. Safety

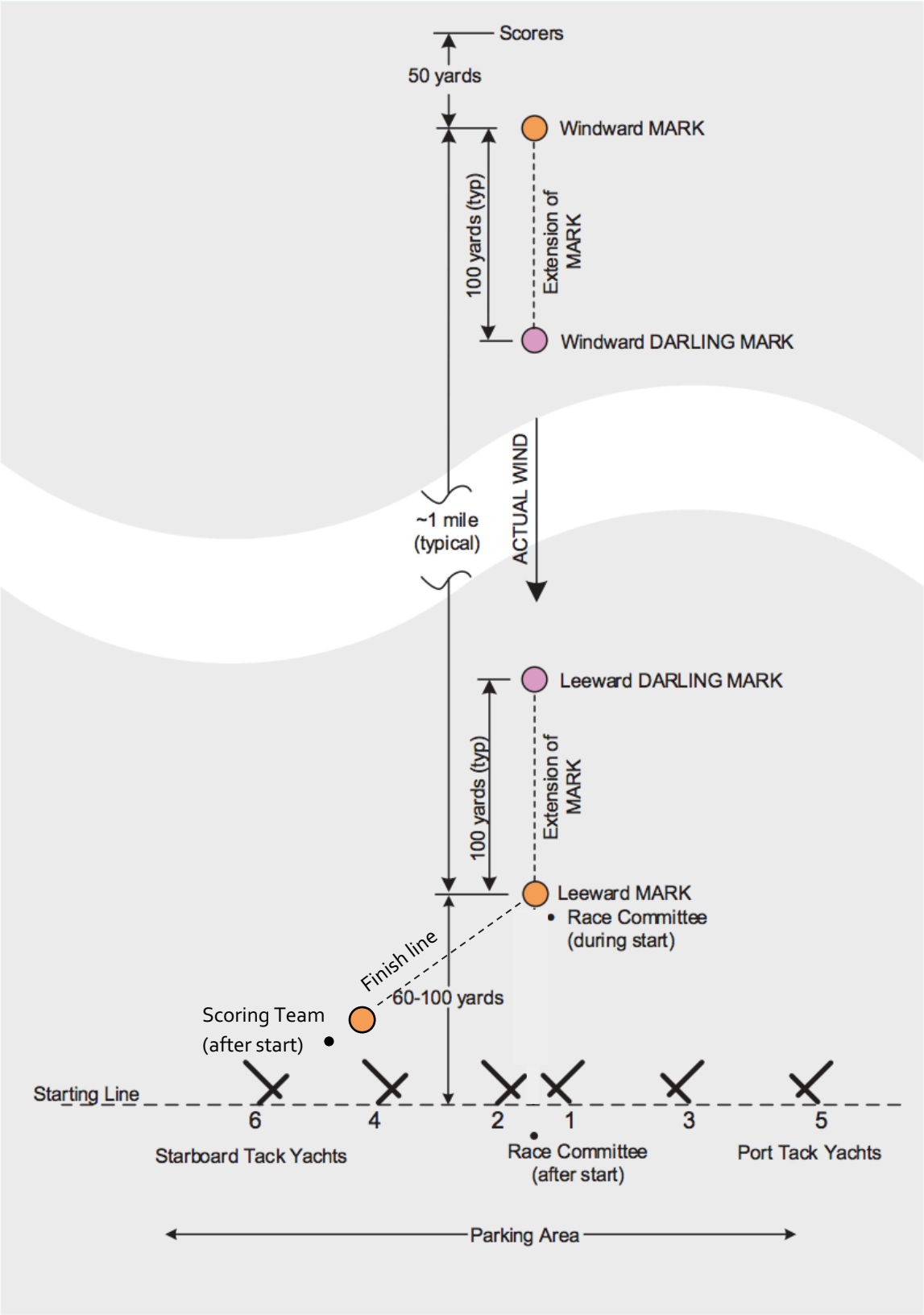
- 17.1 First aid kit and ice rescue equipment including a rescue board will be available in the safety zone.
- 17.2 Emergency services and the Swedish Sea Rescue Society are informed of our whereabouts and activity. If in an emergency and life is in danger, call 112.

18. Equipment

- 18.1 The same equipment (except runners & sails) must be used throughout the entire regatta, except articles found illegal in one race or heat.
- 18.2 A yacht is restricted to the use of two sails and nine runners in the regatta.

Attachment A

DARLING COURSE



Attachment B

Lex Viking

