



**FINN EUROPEAN CHAMPTIONSHIP 2019**  
10 May to 18 May 2019  
Athens International Sailing Centre, Greece

**Organizing Authority:**

**Hellenic Sailing Federation (HSF) in conjunction with the International Finn Association and the Hellenic Finn Association**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Finn Major Championship Event Manual.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.6 For medal races RRS Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, will apply and takes precedence over any conflicting instructions.
- 1.7 In all rules governing this regatta;  
1.7.1 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.8 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 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 2.2 Competitors shall comply with the event sign-out and sign-in procedures when going afloat and returning to the shore. [SP]
- 2.3 Boats not leaving the shore for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the Race Office.
- 2.4 On arrival at the racing area, boats shall sail closely by the race committee vessel, clearly showing their sail numbers.
- 2.5 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.



- 2.6 When the race committee displays flag V with repetitive sounds 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 organizing authority with proper care and seamanship, and in compliance with any written instructions.

### 4 RACING DAYS and OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

The format and race schedule are detailed in Sailing Instruction Addendum FS 'Format, Time Limits and Scoring'.

### 5 COURSE AREAS

- 5.1 The course area as shown in the Notice of Race.

### 6 THE COURSES

- 6.1 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.  
6.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course designation and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

### 7 MARKS

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

Marks 1, 2,4p/4s	Mark 1A,	Replacement Mark	Port End Starting Mark	Finishing Outer Distance Mark
Tetrahedral Orange	Tetrahedral Yellow	Tetrahedral Green	RC boat with orange flag on staff	Buoy with orange flag

### 8 CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1 The Class flag will be:

Stage	Class Flag
Opening Series	Class flag - Class insignia on a white background
Medal Race	Class flag over a yellow flag
Final Race	Class flag over a blue flag

### 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 a 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.

### 10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the outer distance mark.

### 11 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 11.1 Time limits and target times are shown in the Format, Time Limits and Scoring Addendum.



## 12 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

### 12.1 Competitor and Team Leader briefings:

Date	Time	Briefing	Location
Sun 12 May	1200	First briefing	AISC
Tue 14 May to Sat 18 May	TBA in Daily Schedule	Daily morning briefing	AISC

12.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at HSF Headquarters. Notices may be duplicated on the event website and on the boat park screens.

12.3 Signals ashore will be displayed at the boat park.

12.4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP.

## 13 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

13.1 Any change to the format or schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect and any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day 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

(a) lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable, or

(b) move the gate, or

(c) move the finishing line

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

## 15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the Race Office or Jury Office located at HSF Headquarters. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Jury Office within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is based on the time of the last boat to finish the race specified in the table below:

Stage	Protest Time Limit
Opening Series – Last race of the day	75 mins
Final Race	75 mins
Medal Race	As Addendum Q

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 HSF Headquarters beginning at the time posted which may be before the end of the protest time limit if all parties are available.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race, protest or technical committees may be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

15.5 A list of boats that have been penalized under Appendix P for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.

15.6 Breaches of SIs marked [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

15.7 Penalties for breaches of SIs marked [DP], class rules or RRS Appendix G, are at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification, but the IFA approved guidance will be followed.

15.8 A boat may accept a discretionary penalty for the breach of a rule subject to [DP] by acknowledging the breach before a hearing.

15.9 In RRS 66 change: 'On the last scheduled day of racing...' to 'On the last day of a series...'

15.10 On the last day of a series a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.



- 15.11 If RRS Appendix N1.4(b) applies, the time limit for requesting a hearing under that rule is 30 minutes for the opening series or 1 minute for a medal race after the party was informed of the panel's decision
- 15.12 For the purposes of SI 15, a series means both the series concluded before the Opening Series Final Race and the Opening Series including the Opening Series Final Race.

**16 SCORING** – scoring is described in the Format and Scoring appendix.

**17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [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 technical committee, a boat shall proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

**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 BOATS**

- 19.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

Race Committee	Orange with black RC
Jury/Umpires	White with black IJ
Technical Committee	White with blue M
Rescue or Marshalls	Orange with white RESCUE
Press	Black with white PRESS
TV	White with black TV
VIP	White with black VIP
Media	Blue with black MEDIA

**20 SUPPORT BOATS [DP]**

- 20.1 For the purposes of these sailing instructions a support boat is any boat with support persons aboard.
- 20.2 Support persons shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while they are afloat with the engine of their support boat running,
- 20.3 Support boats shall display their national flag or national (NOC Code) letters at least 200mm high and clearly visible from both sides.
- 20.4 Support boats shall not interfere with boats racing or official boats, or create a wake that affects boats racing.
- 20.5 Support boats shall not be positioned:
- 21.4.1 Closer than 50 metres of any boat racing.
  - 21.4.2 Within 50 metres of the starting line and marks from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have left the starting area, or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
  - 21.4.3 Between any boat racing and the next mark of the course.
  - 21.4.4 Within 50 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark.
  - 21.4.5 Within 50 metres of the finishing line and marks while boats are finishing.
- 20.6 In addition, support boats that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing.
- 20.7 Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 20.8 Additional restrictions apply to umpired races and will be posted on the official notice board.



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

- 21.1 When provided by the organizing authority, boats or crew shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed.
- 21.1.1 Bibs.
  - 21.1.2 Place dots on the mainsail.
  - 21.1.3 Bow numbers.
  - 21.1.4 Event sponsor advertising.
- 21.2 When provided by the organising authority, boats shall carry the following electronic equipment as instructed:
- 21.2.1 Cameras,
  - 21.2.2 Sound equipment, and
  - 21.2.3 [SP] Position tracking and timing equipment.
    - (a) Competitors shall collect a tracking module from their assigned tracking desk before racing each day.
    - (b) On return to shore competitors shall return the tracking module within the protest time limit to the same place that they received it.
  - 21.2.4 Competitors shall make a genuine effort to comply with the instructions for operating the equipment as provided by the organising authority.
  - 21.2.5 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.
  - 21.2.6 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.
  - 21.2.7 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 [DP]**

- 22.1 When ashore, boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.

## **23 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]**

- 23.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **24 PRIZES**

- 24.1 The class perpetual trophies will be awarded in accordance with the NoR.

## **25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 25.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor ISAF will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



## Sailing Instruction Addendum FS– Format, Time Limits and Scoring.

### FS1 FORMAT

- FS1.1 The regatta will consist of an opening series and a medal race.
- FS1.2 Medal Race and Final Race
- 1.2.1 A medal race and final race will be scheduled with 5 or more opening series races completed.
- 1.2.2 The ten boats ranked highest in the opening series will be assigned to compete in the medal race. The remaining boats will be assigned to the final race. The final race extends the opening series.
- 1.2.3 Assignments to a medal race will be based on the ranking available at 0900 on the day of the medal race. The protest committee may extend this time limit.

### FS2 SCHEDULE

- FS2.1 The schedule will be as follows:

Registration for competitors and coaches	Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> May to Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> May
Opening Ceremony	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May at 2000
First Briefing for coaches/competitors	Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May at 1200
Practice Race	Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May at 1430
Opening Series	Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> May to Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> May First Warning 1200 or as in daily race schedule
Final Races for those not in medal races	Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> May
Medal Race	Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> May
Last Warning Signal	Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> May 1730
Closing Ceremony – All events	Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2000

- FS2.2 The number of races will be 10 + a Medal Race or a Final Race
- FS2.3 Races not sailed on the scheduled day may be sailed on a following day, except that no more than 3 races of the Opening Series shall be sailed on any day, including sailing an opening series race on the provisional medal race/final race day. If the provisional medal final race day is used for extending the opening series, the medal race and final race shall be cancelled. A race that the first boat has completed 3 legs before being abandoned, shall count as a scheduled race for the purpose of this SI, but shall not be scored.



**FS 3 Time limits and target times are as follows:**

Stage	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
Opening Series (1 or 2 races per day)	120	40	20	75
Opening Series (3 races per day)	120	40	20	60
Medal Race	40	20	10	30

FS3.1 Boats that are still racing but do not finish within the time limit stated in the Finish Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). The TLE score will be equal to the number of boats to finish plus 2 points. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

FS3.2 If no boat rounds Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race committee shall abandon the race.

**FS4 SCORING**

FS4.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

FS4.2 When fewer than five opening series races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more opening series races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. However, the score from any medal race will not be excluded.

FS4.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes (2 minutes for the medal race) after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

FS4.4 RRS A4.2 is changed to that those scores are based on:

4.4.1 for the medal race, the number of boats assigned to the medal race.

4.4.2 for the final race, the number of boats in the opening series.

FS4.5 Five races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

FS4.6 For the medal race RRS A4.1 is changed so that the points are doubled. RRS A4.2 is changed so that the scores are based on the number of boats assigned to the medal race then doubled and then any penalty score is added..

FS4.7 For boats assigned to compete in the medal race, ties will be broken by the medal race score. This changes RRS A8. For tied boats with the same points score in the medal race, ties will be broken applying RRS A8 to the opening series scores.

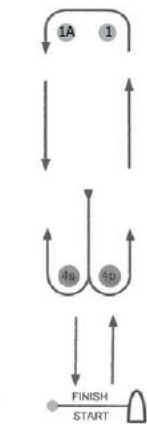
FS4.8 A boat assigned to compete in the medal race shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish. The penalty for a breach of this instruction will be ranking the boat tenth in the regatta. If there are two such boats, they will be ranked ninth and tenth, in order of their opening-series ranks, and so on. This changes RRS A2.

FS4.9 The boats competing in the medal race shall be scored highest in the regatta. This may not apply to a boat disqualified under RRS 5, 6 or 69.

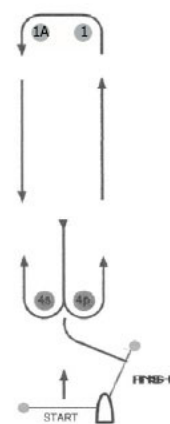
FS4.10 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the Race Office.



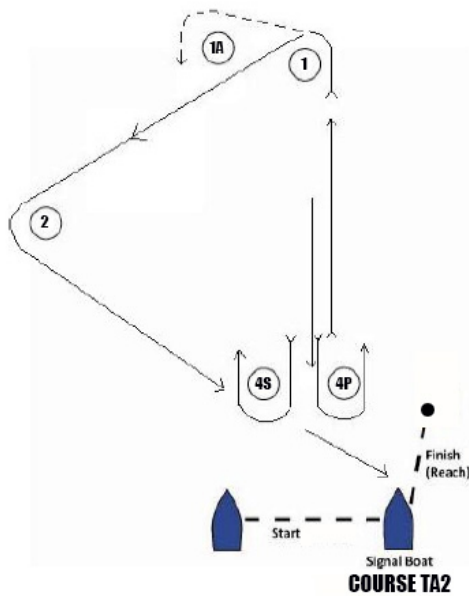
ADDENDUM B - COURSE ILLUSTRATIONS and MARK ROUNDING ORDER



**COURSE LA2**



**COURSE LAR2**



**COURSE TA2**

COURSE	ROUNDING ORDER
LA2	1 – 1A – 4S/4P – 1 – 1A - Finish
LAR2	1 – 1A – 4S/4P – 1 – 1A – 4P - Finish
TA2	Start – 1 – 1A – 4S/4S – 1 – 2 - Finish

