



INTERNATIONAL  
**hansa**  
CLASS ASSOCIATION

# EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

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## **1. GENERAL**

- 1.1. All boats and equipment entered for International Hansa Class Worlds & International Championship shall be inspected in accordance with the relevant rules including Hansa Class Rules, Notice of Race (NoR), Sailing Instructions (SI) and these Equipment Regulations (ER), defined collectively where they refer to equipment as the World Sailing Event Equipment Rules.
- 1.2. The Technical Committee (TC) is responsible for all equipment inspection functions. The Chair of the TC may appoint one or more panels or persons to carry out the functions of the TC. The TC is the 'responsible authority' for the purposes of RRS 64.4 (b) and for interpreting the Hansa Class Rules during the Regatta. The TC is the authority for determining the compliance of equipment with its respective building specifications / construction manual. The Chair of the TC may consult with a World Sailing technical representative to determine that equipment complies with its respective confidential building specification / construction manual.
- 1.3. Only entered competition boats may be kept in the boat park during racing days, except with the written permission of the Organising Authority.
- 1.4. [DP] Boats shall be kept in the boat park area allocated to their Event as required by the NOR, SIs, or other event Official Notices. After a boat or equipment has completed the pre-race equipment inspection, it shall not be taken out of the area composed of the boat park, except with the written permission of the TC.
- 1.5. Any changes to these Equipment Regulations (ER) will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.6. Where Replacement or Additional Equipment (RAE) has been approved for equipment Specific for a competitor, the competitor shall present at Equipment Inspection a copy of the IHCA approved RAE.

## **2. [DP] [SP] EQUIPMENT LIMITATION MARKING**

- 2.1. All items of equipment subject to event limitation control shall be marked with the official event limitation marks. If a mark becomes unclear, insecure, or lost, this shall be reported to the TC so that the mark is replaced before the next race.

## **3. [DP] REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF BOATS AND EQUIPMENT**

- 3.1. Repairs or replacements of equipment made after completion of pre-race equipment inspection shall require prior written approval of the TC. However, repairs or replacements required afloat may be approved after a race, provided that either the TC or the Race Committee are notified before the next race.
- 3.2. Replacement of equipment subject to inspection shall only be approved if:
  - The equipment being replaced has either been lost or severely damaged and cannot be repaired in the time available before the next race.

Approval shall not be granted if the equipment being replaced has been mistreated, damaged, or lost in a deliberate manner.

- 3.3. Unless approved in writing by the Technical Committee, repairs shall not be carried out in the equipment inspection areas.
- 3.4. Equipment Repair / Replacement Request forms will be available in the Race Office.
- 3.5. Equipment Repair / Replacement Requests shall be lodged before the protest time limit of the respective day. The Technical Committee shall extend the time if there is good reason to do so.
- 3.6. Any item that has been repaired or replaced in accordance with section 3 of the Equipment Regulations shall have event limitation marks applied as required.
- 3.7. Only one set of items of equipment and sails that are to be inspected or controlled shall be presented for pre-race equipment inspection by an entry in each Event. However, the TC may permit the substitution of a first item of equipment in the following cases:
  - an item of equipment that fails to comply with the Event Equipment Rules or its respective building specifications / construction manual in a serious matter like shape or construction that is a manufacturing defect; or
  - an item of equipment which is too light and which cannot be made to comply with the Class Rules.

#### 4. [NP] [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 4.1. Pre-race equipment inspection for each Event will take place in accordance with the competition schedule in Notice of Race.
- 4.2. Boats and equipment shall be presented for equipment inspection as instructed in the relevant event section in ER 7 or as instructed by the TC which may include the requirement to dismount or disassemble equipment.
- 4.3. Boats and equipment shall be presented in a **dry, clean, and salt-free condition**. Any item that is not in a condition to the satisfaction of the Technical Committee may be held by the TC for up to 24 hours.
- 4.4. All boats shall be presented for inspection with all equipment as required or permitted by the Hansa Class Rules, including sails, personal flotation device(s), where applicable, any electronic personal equipment items and any other equipment as instructed in ER 7.
- 4.5. Automatically Inflatable Personal Flotation Devices are permitted.
- 4.6. At least one athlete and/or a maximum of two support team members shall be present at all times during equipment inspection. An interpreter may also be present when needed.
- 4.7. At any time during the racing days, a boat may be informed by a TC member that it has been selected for equipment inspection. When hailed, the boat shall move directly to the indicated area at the race area or at the Sailing Venue.
- 4.8. When a boat has been informed that it has been selected for inspection as per 4.7, no person shall join or leave the boat without permission from the TC. No equipment or other item shall be taken on or off the boat without permission from the TC. The notified athletes shall not leave the equipment inspection area without the permission of the TC. After inspection of the athlete clothing and/or equipment, at least one crew member or

support team member shall remain present during the inspection of the boat. The TC may require the boat to be quarantined in order to perform the requested inspections.

## **5. MEDAL RACE / MEDAL SERIES PROCEDURES (IF APPLICABLE)**

- 5.1. On completion of the opening series, the boats assigned to compete in respectively the Medal Race or Medal Series for each Event will be subject to equipment inspection at the designated pit lane.
- 5.2. [SP] On the day before the Medal Race or Medal Series, boats shall be in the designated Quarantine area within two hours of their protest time limit, unless otherwise instructed by the Technical Committee. This includes boats that may qualify for the Medal Race or Medal Series following a protest or request for redress.
- 5.3. [SP] On the day of the Medal Race or Medal Series, boats shall be presented in accordance with ER 4.4 for equipment inspection two hours before the warning signal of their race or the warning signal of the first Medal Series race of their Event, whichever is earliest, unless otherwise instructed by the Technical Committee. This includes boats that may qualify for the Medal Race or Medal Series following a protest or request for redress.
- 5.4. [SP] Boats shall not leave the Pit Lane area before being signalled by the Race Committee to go afloat.
- 5.5. [SP] If a Medal Race or Medal Series is postponed or abandoned such that the boats return to shore, the boats shall return to and remain in the Pit Lane Area. If a Medal Race or Medal Series is postponed or abandoned for the next day, the procedure outlined in 5.3 and 5.4 shall be repeated.

## **6. [DP] [SP] BRANDING, BOW NUMBERS, CAMERA, MICROPHONE, TIMING AND TRACKING EQUIPMENT**

- 6.1. Competitors shall be responsible for tracker installation as per the Boat specific requirements section in ER 7.
- 6.2. For the purpose of avoiding entanglement with running rigging and sails, only rope, elastic and adhesive tape may be attached to Organising Authority equipment mounts and brackets, provided that it does not interfere with the operation of the associated Organising Authority equipment (e.g. tracking equipment).
- 6.3. Competitors shall be responsible for branding and bow number installation. Bow numbers shall be applied as instructed by the TC through a notice on the Official Notice Board.
- 6.4. [SP] The tracking equipment shall be located as detailed in NOR, SIs, or other Event instructions .
- 6.5. [SP] Cameras, camera dummies and sound equipment when provided by the Organising Authority in accordance with NOR shall be carried as specified in NOR, SIs, or other Event instructions.
- 6.6. [SP] Ribbons for fleet identification when provided by the Organising Authority in accordance with NOR, SIs or other Event notice shall be carried as specified.

## **7. [DP][SP] BOAT AND EVENT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS**

- 7.1 Only class approved modifications and adaptations may be implemented.
- 7.2 The seating “tape” mark on the side decks shall not be removed or adjusted. Athletes shall not move their torso forward of this mark.
- 7.3 Keel pins shall not be removed and shall remain in place.

### **7.4 Hansa 2.3**

- 7.4.1 The number of sails and spars which may be presented for pre-event equipment inspection shall not exceed one mast, one foremast, one boom, one mainsail and one jib.
- 7.4.3 Each boat shall be presented for equipment inspection with the masts down and detached, the rudder blade removed, the keel out of the case. Sails removed from the masts..

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## **Equipment Regulation Addendum F**

### **Quarantine Area and Pit Lane Area for Medal races / Medal series (If Applicable)**

1. Quarantine Area and Pit Lane Area information will be published no later than one day before the Medal Race/Series