



Zhik International Topper Class (5.3m²) World Championship 2015

Organized by the International Topper Class Association (ITCA) in conjunction with
the Fraglia Vela Riva – Riva del Garda – TRENTO – ITALY

Saturday 18th July to Friday 24th July 2015

NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)

1 RULE

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2014-2016 (RRS).
- 1.2 The National Prescription that will apply will be posted at the online notice board not later than July 18th 2015.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions will change rules 30.3, 32, 41, 60.1, 62.1, 63, 66, A4, A5, P1 and P2.3. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions, which may also change other rules.

2 ADVERTISING

In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising, boats may be required to display the advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International Topper Class using the 5.3m² sail, subject to NOR 3.7. Competitors must be members of a National Topper Class Association. (See NOR 8 for contact details)
- 3.2 Competitors may only use one 5.3m² sail for the competition.
- 3.3 Crew substitution of the registered sailor is not permitted.
- 3.4 Each competitor under 18 years of age on the 18th July 2015 shall complete a parent/guardian consent form and submit it to the Organising Authority at registration. This consent form will be available on the ITCA web site and may be automatically emailed to each sailor upon completing the online entry form.
- 3.5 For the duration of the championship the responsible adult of sailors aged under 18 years named on the parent/guardian consent form shall remain within the immediate area of the beach, club or boat park.



- 3.6 The responsible adult (if applicable) and competitors shall register together on site at the race office before registration closes.
- 3.7 The total number of entries is restricted to 300 sailors.

4 ENTRY APPLICATION & ENTRY PROCESS

- 4.1 Application for entry shall be made at: <http://www.fragliavelariva.it/regatta/1832/view>
- 4.2 The entry fee is €300 for entries up to the 1st June 2014. €320 for entries from 2 June – 1st July. €400 for entries from 2nd July – 18th July.

5 CANCELLATION & REFUND

- 5.1 50% of the entry fee paid is refundable for cancellations received by 1st July. No entry fee is refundable after the 1st July
- 5.2 In all instances refunds are processed on the credit or debit card used to pay for application or entry. Please ensure the expiry date of the credit card used for payment is after July 31st 2015. Credit card details are not retained by the entry system and refunds cannot be made to another card. If the card expires and a refund is required the refund will be by another method at the expense of the sailor.

6 SCHEDULE

18 th July	10:00 – 17:00	REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT
19 th July	10:00 – 17:00	REGISTRATION AND MEASUREMENT
	18:30	OPENING CEREMONY
	19:30	FINGER BUFFET
20 th July	12:00	RACING (Qualifying Series)
21 st July	12:00	RACING (Qualifying Series)
22 nd July	12:00	RACING (Qualifying Series)
23 rd July	12:00	RACING (Final Series)
	19:30	MEAL FOR COMPETITORS
24 th July	12:00	RACING (Final Series)
	17:00	PRIZE GIVING

- 6.1 The time for the first warning signal on the first and subsequent days will not be before 12:00 hrs.
- 6.2 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.
- 6.3 Any race whose initial warning signal is not given by 15:00 hrs on the last day of the championship will be abandoned and not re-sailed.



7 RACING FORMAT

- 7.1 At least 4 races are required for the Qualifying series and a minimum of 1 race for the Final series. The entry will be divided daily into two or three fleets, followed by a Final series in which the entry will be divided into two or three fleets, Gold, Silver, and (if numbers warrant) Bronze.
- 7.2 If four races have not been completed by the end of July 22nd the qualifying series will continue to the end of the racing day during which a fourth qualifying race is completed.

8 SAIL & CHAMPIONSHIP NUMBERS

- 8.1 Sails shall display the full sail number and Championship Number in accordance with the class rule and the RRS. Competitors who do not have a Championship Number shall apply for allocation of a number:
- 8.1.1 GBR sailors apply to GBR Topper Association (secretary@gbrtopper.co.uk)
- 8.1.2 IRL sailors apply to the IRL Topper Association (membership.irl@gmail.com)
- 8.1.3 Other nationalities should apply to the International Secretary (secretary@itcaworld.org)
- 8.2 It is the responsibility of the competitor to obtain and fix the Championship Numbers in accordance with the instructions supplied.

9 MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

Boats may be required to be presented for Measurement and Inspection during the regatta. Information on measurement and inspection will be posted on the official notice board.

10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available for all competitors at registration at the venue. Draft Sailing Instructions may be available on the event web site approximately two weeks before the Championships

11 SAILING AREA

See attachment A



12 THE COURSES

Trapezoid courses will be used with inner and outer loops. The target time for the first boat in each race will be approximately 45 minutes.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 There are a maximum of 15 races scheduled and a total of 5 races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 13.2 A qualifying race will not count until all qualifying fleets have completed that race.
- 13.3 One race score will be excluded when calculating the division into the final series fleets.
- 13.4 The qualifying races and final races will count for total points in the Championship.
- 13.5 When 4 or more races are completed 1 race score will be excluded, when 10 or more races have been completed, 2 races scores will be excluded. Only one race score may be excluded from the final series races and only if at least 2 final series races are completed.
- 13.6 The split for the final series will only be made based on results at 21:00 on the last day of the qualifying series.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Mechanically propelled boats are generally prohibited to sail on the northern part of Lake Garda, however, during this event, a special permit to use such boats may be given Support personnel having a boat, shall produce the following documents to the organising authority:

- rib's engine registration document (engine brand name - engine serial numbers);
- rib's engine insurance;
- Driver's identity document.

The permit will be issued only for assistance to the races and training and it can be withdrawn at any time if rules for coaching as stating in the SI will be not followed.

The navigation of private assistance boats on the right hand side of the course looking site is forbidden.



14.1 Support Boats and Team leaders/coaches shall register at www.fragliavelariva.it and complete on-site registration at the race office and comply with the Support Boat regulations as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

Team leaders/coaches shall comply with the following:

- to follow all instructions given by the Race Committee and by the Organizing Committee;
- to carry other coaches on board if necessary;
- not more than 2 coaches/trainers/parents are allowed on the same assisting RIB/support boat

15 BOATS AND TRAILER STORAGE

15.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the dinghy park. Trailers can be kept in the designated area (see the attachment B)

15.2 Information on arrival procedures and practice sailing facilities will be posted on the event web site before July 10th

16 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An international jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N. There will be no right of appeal against its decisions. Arbitration will be available to decide some protests.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio communication while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephone.

18 SAFETY

Competitors shall wear a personal flotation device, of minimum 50N buoyancy at any time while afloat except when adjusting clothing.

19 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the event at the discretion of the ITCA (GBR), the host club and the event sponsor. These will include

- ITCA Overall Topper World Championship Trophy: Viking Longship
- ITCA Ladies Intercontinental Cup
- The first ten places of the Gold Fleet will receive prizes.
- The first three in the Silver Fleet will receive prizes.
- If numbers dictate then the first three in the Bronze Fleet will receive prizes.



20 RISK STATEMENT

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RRS Rule 4 of Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 € per event or the equivalent. All competitors at the registration are required to produce evidence of such insurance written in Italian or English and clearly indicating the name of the sailor(s) or the sailing number(s) or the ITCA registry number(s) of the insured boat(s), including the starting date and ending date of the insurance and the £ Sterling/euro/USD amount of the insurance.

If an insurance is issued to a sail number/ITCA registration number, the competitor shall present a valid measurement certificate and will not be allowed to sail with a sail number different from the one printed on the measurement certificate.

22 PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

- 22.1 By entering the Championships competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the Championship facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.



22.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organising authority.

23 INFORMATION

See www.fragliavelariva.it > accommodation (when booking mention the regatta to take advantage of the exclusive rates) or contact Ingarda Trentino S.p.A, e-mail booking@gardatrentino.it website www.gardatrentino.it, specialist for accommodation, travel services and tour packages for all regatta competitors, staff and families

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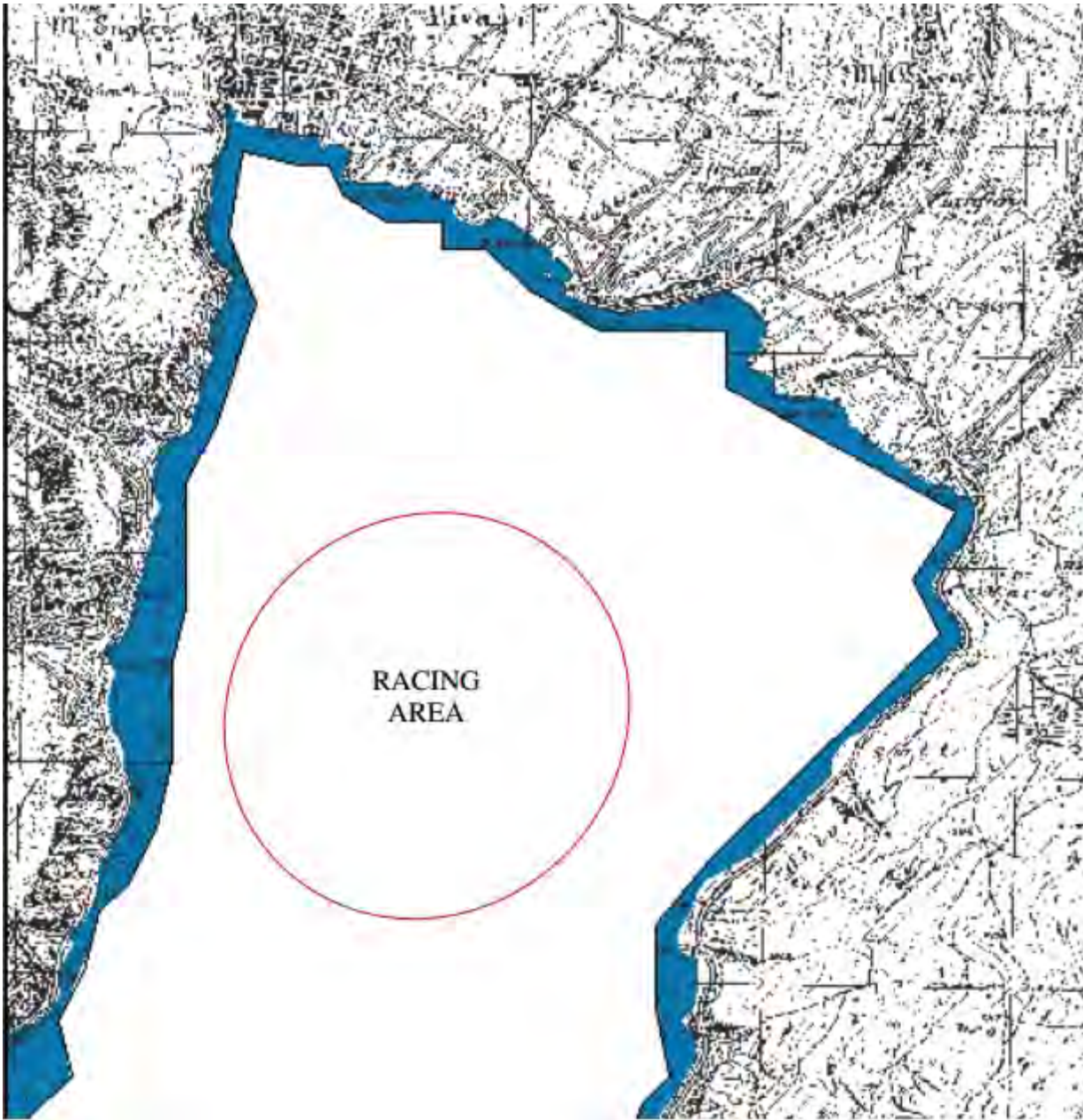
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Attachment A





Attachment B

