



# 9<sup>th</sup> WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP, BLAIRGOWRIE, AUSTRALIA



BLAIRGOWRIE YACHT SQUADRON

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## EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS

### 1. GENERAL

- 1.1. All boats and equipment entered for the 2018 Musto Skiff Class World Championship shall be inspected in accordance with the relevant rules including Class Rules, Notice of Race (NoR), Sailing Instructions (SI) and Equipment Regulations (ER), defined collectively as the Event Equipment Rules.
- 1.2. The Technical Committee (TC) shall be the authority for determining if equipment complies with the Event Equipment Rules and for interpreting the Class Rules during the Regatta.
- 1.3. Boats shall be kept in the boat park. After a boat or equipment has completed the pre-race equipment inspection, it shall remain in the Venue and shall not be taken off site, except with the written permission of the TC.
- 1.4. Each boat is required to comply with RRS 78.1 and Event Equipment Rules from the time of being presented for equipment inspection onwards unless otherwise approved by the TC. In accordance with the SIs, non-compliance may be protested and penalized as if it were discovered after racing.
- 1.5. In accordance with RRS 78.1, athletes are responsible for ensuring that their boat is maintained in accordance with the Class Rules.
- 1.6. Any changes to these ER will be posted after approval on the Official Noticeboard in accordance with the provisions governing the posting of changes to the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

### 2. EQUIPMENT LIMITATION

- 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 or lost, this shall be reported to the TC so that the mark will be replaced at the first reasonable opportunity before the next race
- 2.2. Equipment limitations as detailed in Class Rule C.6.1.6 shall apply.

### 3. REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 3.1. Repairs or replacements shall not be made after completion of Equipment Inspection without the prior written approval of the TC or Race Committee. However, repairs or replacements required afloat may be approved after the race, provided that either the Race Committee or the TC are notified before the next race.
- 3.2. Equipment subject to inspection shall only be replaced if the equipment being replaced has either been lost or severely damaged and cannot be repaired in the time available before the next race. Equipment shall not be replaced if it has been mistreated, damaged or lost in a deliberate manner.
- 3.3. Repair / replacement request forms will be available from Registration.
- 3.4. Any item that has been repaired or replaced in accordance with section 3 of the Equipment Regulations shall have the appropriate event limitation marks applied as required.
- 3.5. Only items of equipment that are to be inspected or controlled shall be presented for pre-race equipment inspection. 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 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. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 4.1. Pre-race equipment inspection shall take place in accordance with NoR 7 and the Equipment Inspection Schedule published on the event website. It shall be completed by 18:00 on the day before the first race of the event, unless extended by the TC. Any schedule changes authorised by the TC will be published on the Official Noticeboard. Boats and equipment shall be presented at the designated time.
- 4.2. Boats and equipment shall be presented for equipment inspection in a dry, clean and salt-free condition. All equipment shall have any event limitation stickers/stamps from previous events removed.
- 4.3. All boats shall be presented for inspection with all equipment as required or permitted by the Class Rules, including sails, personal flotation device, trapeze harness and any electronic personal equipment items.
- 4.4. As specified in the Class Rules, personal flotation devices shall be in compliance with EN 393 or ISO 12402-5, level 50 or an equivalent standard. Inflatable Personal Flotation Devices are not permitted.
- 4.5. After any race, a boat may be informed by a TC member that it has been selected for post-race inspection. When hailed, the boat shall move directly to the indicated area at the race area or at the Venue.
- 4.6. When a boat has been informed that it has been selected for post-race inspection, 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 sailor shall remain present during the inspection of the boat, clothing and equipment and shall not leave the designated area without the permission of the TC. The TC may require the boat to be quarantined in order to dry out before its weight is checked.