

***International Hansa Class
European Championships 2024***



Organising Authority:

***Royal Yacht Club Sneek
Dutch Hansa Class Association
International Hansa Class Association***

Friday 13th September – Saturday 21st September 2024

Venue:

***Royal Yacht Club Sneek
Sneekermeer
– The Netherlands –***

Notice of Race (NoR)

Notations:

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee or the technical committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the jury with a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

[NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury and may be less than disqualification This changes RRS 64.1.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2021-2024.
- 1.2 The current International Hansa Class Rules for each Class will apply. Hansa Class rules can be found at <https://hansaclass.org/> - listed under 'Technical'.
- 1.3 Racing rules 44.1, P2, 61.1, 63.3, preamble of Part 4 will be changed as follows:
 - a) RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed as follows: Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
 - b) Rule 61.1(a) Informing the Protested is changed: "the hail 'Protest' is not required but should be made where possible.
 - c) Rule 63.3(a) Protest Hearing is changed: "a boat representative at a protest hearing need not have been on board at the time of the incident".
- 1.4 The Organizing Authority may amend this Notice of Race. Amendments made prior to Friday 13th September 2024, will be published on the Event Website . Amendments thereafter shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available after 1st September 2024 on the Event Website and will be displayed on the Official Notice Board at the Race Committee Office. A printed copy can be made available to competitors at registration.

3 Communication

- 3.1 The Official Notice Board will be located outside the Race Committee Office and governs above any other form of communication.
- 3.2 As a service to competitors, a digital version of the Notice Board will be made available on the Event Website: <https://hansaregionals.org/european/>
- 3.3 [DP] Except in case of an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

4 Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The event is open to all of the following classes:
- Hansa 2.3/Hansa 2.3 Servo Single-Person.
 - Hansa 303W Single-Person.
 - Hansa 303W Two-Person.
 - Liberty/Liberty Servo.
- 4.2 The event is open to competitors who are current financial members of their National Hansa Class Association or the International Hansa Class Association.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the electronic Entry Form on the Event Website: <https://hansaregionals.org/european/> and paying the required fees by August 15th 2024.
- 4.4 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organizing committee.
- 4.5 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: -
- a) For all classes, the minimum number of entries required for a division to be valid is four (4) boats.
 - b) For Servo classes, the minimum number of entries required for a division to be valid is three (3) boats.
- 4.6 Where the number of entries for any one division does not meet the minimum number by the entry closing date, that division will be combined with another compatible division. Should a Servo division not reach the required minimum number, boats of that class would only be eligible for prizes in the Open class.
- 4.7 Entry for vision impaired sailors will be restricted to category IBSA B2 or B3 sailors in the single person divisions. Blind and Vision impaired sailors of any category may compete in the two person divisions with a sighted crew member.
- 4.8 The Hansa 2.3 will be crewed by a single person.
- 4.9 Hansa 2.3 Servo and Liberty Servo entries will sail and be scored as part of their respective open fleets.
- 4.10 To be eligible for the Servo championships, the helm and all sheets must be controlled by Servo electric equipment. Partial Servo boats are deemed to be manual.
- 4.11 Competitors (each crew member) shall present during registration:
- a) Their valid MNA sailing license (if applicable by their local MNA).
 - b) A parental authorization for persons aged less than 18 years of age.
 - c) Proof of Hansa Class membership.
 - d) If necessary, authorization to display personal advertising on the boat.
 - e) Valid proof of insurance.

5 Classification

- 5.1 World Sailing classification requirements will not apply, except IBSA Classifications as in 4.7 above relating to vision impairment.

6 Fees

6.1 A competitor may enter a single person class and a two-person class. Entry Fees are in Euros (€) and will be:

Class	Entry Fee Prior to or on August 15th	Late Entry Fee From August 15th	Additional Class
303 single person	€ 250	€ 350	€ 120
2.3 single person	€ 250	€ 350	€ 120
303 two person	€ 350	€ 475	€ 120
Liberty	€ 250	€ 350	€ 120

6.2 If the skipper of a two-person boat is also sailing in a single person division then the skipper needs only to complete one entry form. Prior to or on August 15th they need to pay € 350 for the two-person division (covers both skipper and crew) and an additional € 120 for the single person division.

6.3 If the crew of a two-person boat is also going to skipper a different single person boat, then the crew needs to fill in a separate entry form. In this case they only need to pay an extra € 120.

6.4 The race committee will make every attempt to schedule single person races at different times from two person races, to allow competitors to compete in more than one class. However, the race committee may change this scheduling in the event of adverse weather conditions.

6.5 The Entry Fee shall be paid at the same time as the request for entry is sent. The Entry Fee shall be paid following the instructions on the Event Website:
<https://hansaregionals.org/european/>

6.6 Entries will be only valid on receiving the full Entry Fee payment.

6.7 The Entry Fee will include Opening and Closing Ceremony events, trophies and prizes.

6.8 Coaches must also register. Coaches registration fee of € 75 will include Opening and Closing Ceremony events.

6.9 Additional tickets for non-competitors, helpers or guests may be purchased at € 75. This includes Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

7 Advertising

The Organising Authority may require all participating boats to display the event sponsor's advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

8 Schedule

8.1 Registration and Equipment Inspection & Measurement.

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Friday 13th Sept	09:00-13:00	Registration	Race Office
	14:00-18:00		
	09:00-13:00	Inspection & Measurement	Technical Area
	14:00-18:00		
Saturday 14th Sept	09:00-13:00	Registration	Race Office
	14:00-18:00		
	09:00-13:00	Inspection & Measurement	Technical Area
	14:00-18:00		
Sunday 15th Sept	09:00-11:00	Registration	Race Office
	09:00-11:00		

8.2 A competitor's briefing will be held on Sunday 15th Sept at 12:00. Each racing day additional briefings may be held at 09:00 hours and/or 12:30 and/or after sailing.

8.3 Dates of racing.

Date	1st Warning Signal	Class	Event
Sunday 15th Sept	13:30	Liberty and Hansa 2.3	Practice race
	14:00	303 Double and Single	Practice race
Monday 16th Sept	10:00	Liberty and Hansa 2.3	Qualification or Series
		Hansa 303 Single	Qualification or Series
Tuesday 17th Sept	10:00	Liberty and Hansa 2.3	Qualification or Series
		Hansa 303 Double	Qualification or Series
Wednesday 18th Sept	10:00	Liberty	Qualification or Series
		Hansa 303 Single	Qualification or Series
Thursday 19th Sept	10:00	Hansa 2.3	Qualification or Series
		Hansa 303 double	Qualification or Series
Friday 20th Sept	10:00	Liberty and Hansa 2.3	Final Series
		Hansa 303 Single	Final Series
Saturday 21th Sept	10:00	Hansa 303 Double	Final Series
		Hansa 2.3, Hansa 303 Single and Liberty	Final Series

- 8.4 A maximum of 9 races will be scheduled for each class.
- 8.5 No warning signal shall be given on racing days before 10:00 and after 18:00. On Saturday 21st September 2024 no warning signal shall be given before 10:00 and after 16:00.
- 8.6 The race committee reserves the right to change the racing schedule during the championship. The changes will be posted by 20:00 on the Official Notice Board the day before any race(s) concerned.
- 8.7 Social Events

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday 15th Sept	TBA	Opening Ceremony	TBA
Saturday 21th Sept	TBA	Championship Presentation	TBA

9 Equipment Inspection

- 9.1 [DP] Boats, including chartered boats, shall be available for equipment inspection as per NoR 8.1. Boats will be inspected in accordance with IHCA Equipment Regulations.
- 9.2 Boats may be inspected at any time during the event.
- 9.3 Sails shall be marked in accordance with the current class rules, except that older sails with the class emblem at the clew corner will be permitted. Sails with 100mm high sail numbers will NOT be permitted.
- 9.4 Sails used on other chartered boats shall comply with RRS G3. The sail numbers on competitor's own sails does not need to reflect any particular owned boat. If there is the possibility of confusion between sail identification in a particular class, the event Chief Equipment Inspector shall direct what additional numbers are to be added to the sail. The provision of such additional number shall be at the competitor's expense.

10 Venue

- 10.1 Addendum A shows the location of the Royal Yacht Club Sneek and the sailing area.
- 10.2 The racing area will be on the Sneekermeer, as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

11 The Courses

- 11.1 Courses will be either Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid as detailed and illustrated in the Sailing Instructions.

12 Penalty System

- 12.1 For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 12.2 Appendix P will apply except that all penalties shall be One-Turn Penalty.
- 12.3 Jury may use Discretionary Penalties.

13 International Jury

- 13.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

14 Format of Racing

- 14.1 For any class in which on Sunday September 15th at 11:00, more than 30 boats are registered, 6 qualifying races are scheduled, with a minimum of 3 qualifying races, after which the fleet will be split into a silver and a gold fleet. After the split 3 final races are scheduled, with a minimum of 1 final race.
- Qualifying races will take place by splitting the fleets in four (4) groups a, b, c and d.
 - If three (3) races have not been completed by the end of the last scheduled qualifying race day, the qualifying series will continue.
 - A qualifying series race will not count until all qualifying series fleets have completed that race.
- 14.2 If in any class on Sunday September 15th at 11:00, 30 or fewer boats are registered, then for that class the event will be sailed in one fleet (single series) with a maximum of 9 races.
- 14.3 Racing will not take place if the average wind speed* in the racing area is less than 5,0 knots, or more than 20,0 knots. If the average wind speed is 18,0 knots or more, then racing will take place at the discretion of the race officer. The overall weather conditions (waves, wind gusts, visibility, rain) will be considered.
- * The average windspeed is determined by measuring and registering the windspeed every 5 minutes and taking the average from a minimum of 6 sequential measurements.

15 Scoring

- 15.1 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 When four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.3 When more than four (4) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 15.4 RRS 90.3(e) will be applied.

16 Support Boats & Safety

- 16.1 Coaches, helpers, team leaders and support personnel that are bringing RIBs or other non-racing vessels are requested to register the boats and will be required to comply with local legislation.
- 16.2 [DP] Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 16.3 [DP] Support boats shall be marked with a flag or decal not less than 200mm x 300mm bearing the national letters or national flag, and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 16.4 Competitors requiring hoisting in and out of their boats shall provide their own sling which must be appropriate for their size and weight.
- 16.5 Competitors, their supporters and event officials shall always provide and wear an approved buoyancy aid or life jacket of an appropriate buoyancy level and standard in

relation to the individual's size and capabilities whilst afloat or on pontoons. There are no restrictions for the use of auto-inflating Personal Flotation Devices.

17 Chartered or Loaned Boats

- 17.1 A limited number of boats will be available for charter. Details are available on the Event Website. Reservation requests are accepted via the Event Website. Boats will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.
- 17.2 [DP] Chartered boats shall not be modified in any way except that a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars. Wind indicators, including yarn or thread may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat.
- 17.3 [DP] Any additional equipment shall have a class approved RAE issued prior to the first day of racing and may be used providing that attachments do not puncture and are not bonded to the surface of the boat. Without the written approval of the Technical Committee, no alteration shall be made to any part of the boat, its equipment spars or fittings, or fittings removed even if subsequently replaced.
- 17.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment to chartered boats, however slight, to the Technical Committee immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor has made a determined effort to comply.
- 17.5 Failure of equipment on a chartered boat will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

18 Berthing

- 18.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places on moorings/marina or in the designated boat park.

19 Haul-out Restrictions

- 19.1 [DP] All boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

20 Diving Equipment & Plastic Pools

- 20.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around all boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.
- 20.2 Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the event.

21 Risk Statement & Disclaimer of Liability

- 21.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.
- 21.2 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility. It is for the competitor to decide whether they are fit to sail in the conditions in which they will find themselves. By launching or going to sea, a competitor confirms that their boat is fit for those conditions, and they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the Organizers can reduce the responsibility of the competitors nor will it make the Organizers responsible for any

loss, damage, death, or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in the racing. The Organizers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event and include the organizing authority, the race committee, the race officer, patrol boats and Beachmasters. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve competitors of their responsibilities.

22 Insurance

- 22.1 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. A valid proof of insurance should be presented at registration. If this certificate cannot be provided, the OA can arrange appropriate insurance.

23 Prizes

- 23.1 Prizes will be awarded in the following divisions:
- Hansa 2.3 Single-Person Regional Champion
 - Hansa 2.3 Servo Regional Champion
 - Hansa 303 Single-Person Regional Champion
 - Hansa 303 Two-Person Regional Champions
 - Hansa Liberty Regional Champion
 - Hansa Liberty Servo Regional Champion
 - Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

24 Right to use name and image

- 24.1 Taking part in this race, the competitor gives to the Organizing Authority, the International and the Dutch Hansa Class Association and the championship sponsors the right to use and show at any time static or moving pictures, films or TV recording and all sorts of duplication of themselves taking during the Hansa Class European Championship, 2024. They also give the rights to use, without royalties, their own image on all supports of such event.

25 Further Information

- 25.1 For further information please contact the OA via email:
EKhansa2024@gmail.com

Further details on Sneek including accommodation can be found on the event website: <https://hansaregionals.org/european/> and the website of the OA: www.kws-sneek.nl

- 25.2 Competitors are advised to regularly check the event website for updates and notices as it may not be practical to contact every entered or potential competitor.

Addendum A



