Sailing Instructions

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 –

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

1. RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)2021-2024*.

1.2 Liberty Class Rule C2.3 (Sailor Weight Equalization) will not apply.

1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.

1.4 If there is a conflict between rules, the sailing instruction shall precede above the notice of race. This changes RRS 63.7.

1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 [DP][NP] IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING WHILE RACING

2.1 When a class is racing in fleets, each boat shall display a coloured ribbon wrapped around the mast between the gooseneck and the tack of the mainsail corresponding to the subgroup to which she has been assigned. Ribbons and instructions for attachment will be available from the race office.

2.2 Boats shall display advertising supplied by the organizing authority. The advertising and instructions for attachment will be available from the race office.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the race office in the Roerkoning. Addendum A shows the location of the race office.

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 A competitor's briefing will be held on Sunday 15th Sept at 12:00.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag pole near the race office at the Roerkoning.

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

6. FORMAT OF RACING

6.1 The following classes will be split into fleets and sail a qualifying series followed by a final series:

- Hansa 303 single

Other classes will sail a single series.

6.2 Qualfying series

(a) For a qualifying series, boats will be assigned to subgroups Red, Blue, Green and Yellow, of, as nearly as possible, equal size and ability. Assignments will be made by the seeding committee appointed by the race committee.

(b) Assignment to subgroups Red, Blue, Green and Yellow, will be made as following:

Rank at discretion of the seeding committee:	**subgroup assignment:**
First	Red
Second	Blue
Third	Green
Fourth	Yellow
Fifth	Yellow
Sixth	Green
Seventh	Blue
Eigth	Red
Ninth	Red and so on.

(c) The assigned subgroups will be published on Sunday the 15th of September 2024 before 12:00am on the official notice board near the race office.

(d) For all boats in the class 303 single, 6 qualifying races are scheduled. A minimum of 3 qualifying races must be sailed until the end of the qualifying series on Thursday the 19th of September.

(d) If until the end of the qualifying series less than 3 qualifying races have been completed for all subgroups, then qualifying races will continue the next day(s) until 3 races have been completed.

(e) If all subgroups have not completed the same number of races, then subgroups with fewer races will continue racing until all subgroups have completed the same number of races.

(r) If at the end of the qualifying series, some subgroups have more races completed than others, scores for the most recent races will be excluded so that all boats have the same number of race scores

(f) Subgroups will race against each other based upon below schedule.

Qualifying race #	Fleet 1	Fleet 2
1	Red/Blue	Green/Yellow
2	Red/Green	Blue/Yellow
3	Blue/Green	Red/Yellow
4	Green/Yellow	Red/Blue
5	Red/Green	Blue/Yellow
6	Blue/Green	Red/Yellow

(g) In a qualifying series, boats penalised by the race committee without a hearing, under RRS A5.1, will be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats assigned to the largest fleet in that series. This changes RRS A5.2.

6.4 Final series

(a) A Final series will be scheduled with 3 or more qualifying series races completed.

(b) Boats will be assigned to final-series fleets Gold and Silver, on the basis of their series score in the qualifying series. If less then 5 races have been completed in the qualifying series then the series score will be the total of her race scores. If 5 or more races have been completed in the qualifying series then the series score will be total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) Fleets in the final series will have, as nearly as possible, equal size. However, the Silver fleet shall not be larger than the Gold fleet. Boats with the best qualifying series ranks will race all final-series races in the Gold fleet, boats with the next best qualifying-series ranks will race in the Silver fleet.

(d) Any recalculation of final-series ranking after boats have been assigned to final-series fleets will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to a higher fleet.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1

Date	Class	Course	Warning Signal 1st practise race	Warning Signal 2nd practise race
Sunday 15th Sept	Liberty	Outer	13:30	asap
	303 Single Red/blue	Outer	13:40	asap
	303 Single Green/Yellow	Outer	13:50	asap
	303 Double	Inner	14:00	asap
	Hansa 2.3	Inner	14:10	asap

Date	Class	Course	Warning signal		Warning signal		Warning signal	
			Race #	Time	Race #	Time	Race #	Time
Monday 16th Sept	Hansa 303 - S	Outer	Q1 Red/Blue	10:30	Q2 Red/Green	asap	Q3 Blue Green	asap
	Hansa 303 - S	Inner	Q1 Green/Yellow	10:40	Q2 Blue/Yellow	asap	Q3 Red/Yellow	asap
	Liberty	Outer	1	14:00	2	asap		
	Hansa 2.3	Inner	1	14:10	2	asap		
Tuesday 17th Sept	Liberty	Outer	3	10:30	4	asap		
	Hansa 2.3	Inner	3	10:40	4	asap		
	Hansa 303 - D	Outer	1	14:00	2	asap	3	asap
Wednesday 18th Sept	Liberty	Outer	5	10:30	6	asap		asap
	Hansa 303 - S	Outer	Q4 Green/Yellow	14:00	Q5 Red/Green	asap	Q6 Blue Green	asap
	Hansa 303 - S	Inner	Q4 Red/Blue	14:10	Q5 Blue Yellow	asap	Q6 Red/yellow	asap
Thursday 19th Sept	Hansa 303 - D	Outer	4	10:30	5	asap	6	asap
	Hansa 2.3	Inner	5	10:40	6	asap		asap
Friday 20th Sept	Hansa 303 - S	Outer	F1 Gold	10:30	F2 Gold	asap	F3 Gold	asap
	Hansa 303 - S	Inner	F1 Silver	10:40	F2 Silver	asap	F3 Silver	asap
	Liberty	Outer	7	14:00	8	asap		
	Hansa 2.3	Inner	7	14:10	8	asap		
Saturday 21st Sept	Hansa 303 - D	Outer	7	10:30	8	asap	9	asap

	Liberty	Inner	9	10:40				
	Hansa 2.3	Inner	9	**12:00**[7.3]				

7.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is *10:30.*

7.3 Warning signals will be given at the scheduled time or 5 minutes after a valid start of the Class ahead of schedule.

7.4 Hansa 2.3, the warning signal for the first race on Saturday 21st Sept. will not be before 12:00 and 5 minutes after a valid start of the Hansa 303 Double.

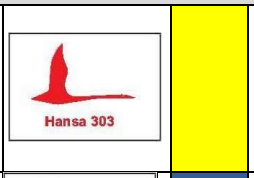
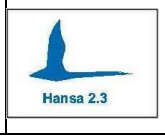
7.5 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that no class becomes more than two races ahead of schedule and the change is made according to SI 4.1.

7.6 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.

7.7 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after *16:00*.

8 CLASS FLAGS

8.1 The Class flags are:

Class	Flag	
Hansa 303 Single Yellow / Gold	Red Insignia & Class Name on White Field	
Hansa 303 Single Blue / Silver	Red Insignia & Class Name on White Field	
Hansa 303 Single Red	Red Insignia & Class Name on White Field	
Hansa 303 Single Green	Red Insignia & Class Name on White Field	
Hansa 303 Double	White Insignia & Class Name on Red Field	
Liberty and Liberty Servo	White Insignia & Class Name on Purple Field	
Hansa 2.3 Single	Blue Insignia & Class Name on White Field	

RACING AREA

9.1 Addendum B shows the location of the racing area.

10 COURSES

10.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum C shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10.2 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. However, adjustments within 10 degrees of the position of a mark may be without signaling the change. This changes RRS 33.

11 MARKS

11.1 Course marks 1,4S and 4P will be yellow inflatable marks, marks 2, 3S and 3P will be red inflatable marks.

11.2 The port-end starting mark will be orange.

11.3 The starboard-end finish mark will be blue

11.4 If a gate mark is missing and has not been replaced with an object displaying flag M, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

11.5 The check in mark on starboard of the starting vessel, will be a green inflatable mark.

12 OBSTRUCTIONS

12.1 The fairway “Prinses Magriet kanaal” marked by navigational marks that is running through Sneekermeer is designated an obstruction and shall never be crossed while racing. Before the preparatory signal and after sailing clear of the finishing line this fairway may only be crossed on the shortest route possible.

13 THE START

13.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

13.2 [DP]Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as 50 mtr windward and leeward and 25 mtr on both ends of the starting line.

13.3 A boat that does not start within *4* minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

14.1 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. However, adjustments within 10 degrees of the position of a mark may be without signaling the change. This changes RRS 33.

15 THE FINISH

15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing vessel at the port-end and the course side of the starboard-end finishing mark.

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

16.1 For all Hansa classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

16.2 Appendix P will apply with the following changes:

a) In RRS P1.2 is changed by adding ‘or Class Rule C1.1(b)’ after ‘rule 42’.

b) RRS P2.3, Third and Subsequent Penalties does not apply, and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it applies to any penalty after the first; as changed by SI(s) 16.2.

17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

17.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Target Time (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Class	Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Target Time	Finishing Window
All	15	50	35	15

17.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 Time Limit the race will be abandoned.

17.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

17.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

18 PROTESTS REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

18.1 Hearing Request forms are available at the race office. Hearing Requests shall be delivered in hardcopy at the race office within the appropriate time limit.

18.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

18.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes 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 the race office in the “Roerkoning”.

18.4 A list of boats that have been penalized under Appendix P will be posted near the race office.

18.5 On the last scheduled day of the qualifying series, and of the final series, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

18.6 On the last scheduled day of racing of the qualifying series, and of the final series, a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

18.7 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

19 SCORING

19.1(a) Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a championship.

(b) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.

(c) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(d) For boats that have raced in a qualifying and final series, a boats series score will be based on all scores in the qualifying and final series. Article 19.1 (b) (c) (d) will be applied.

19.2 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series result, a boat must complete a scoring enquiry form, available at the race office.

20 [NP][DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

20.1 Boats shall Check-In before their first race of the day by passing one-time to windward through a virtual line between the race committee signal vessel and the check-in mark.

20.2 **[DP]** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 [DP]REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

21.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the technical committee. Replacement of the responsible person is not allowed.

21.2 Substitution of marked damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the technical committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

22 [DP]EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

22.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

22.2 When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

23 OFFICIAL VESSELS

23.1 Official vessels will be identified by a staff carrying a KWS Flag.

Jury vessels will carry a flag with “JURY”

Stand-by vessels will carry a flag with “STAND-BY”

Press vessels will carry a flag with “PRESS”

24 [DP] SUPPORT TEAMS

24.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, except when giving help under RRS 41(a).

24.2 Coach/support vessel drivers and crews shall wear personal flotation devices or other adequate personal buoyancy securely fastened at all times when afloat except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

24.3 When the coach/support boat engine is running coach/support boat drivers shall be connected by a Kill cord to a device that will stop the engine if the boat driver falls out the boat or is otherwise not in control of the boat.

24.4 Support vessels shall be marked with their national flag.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

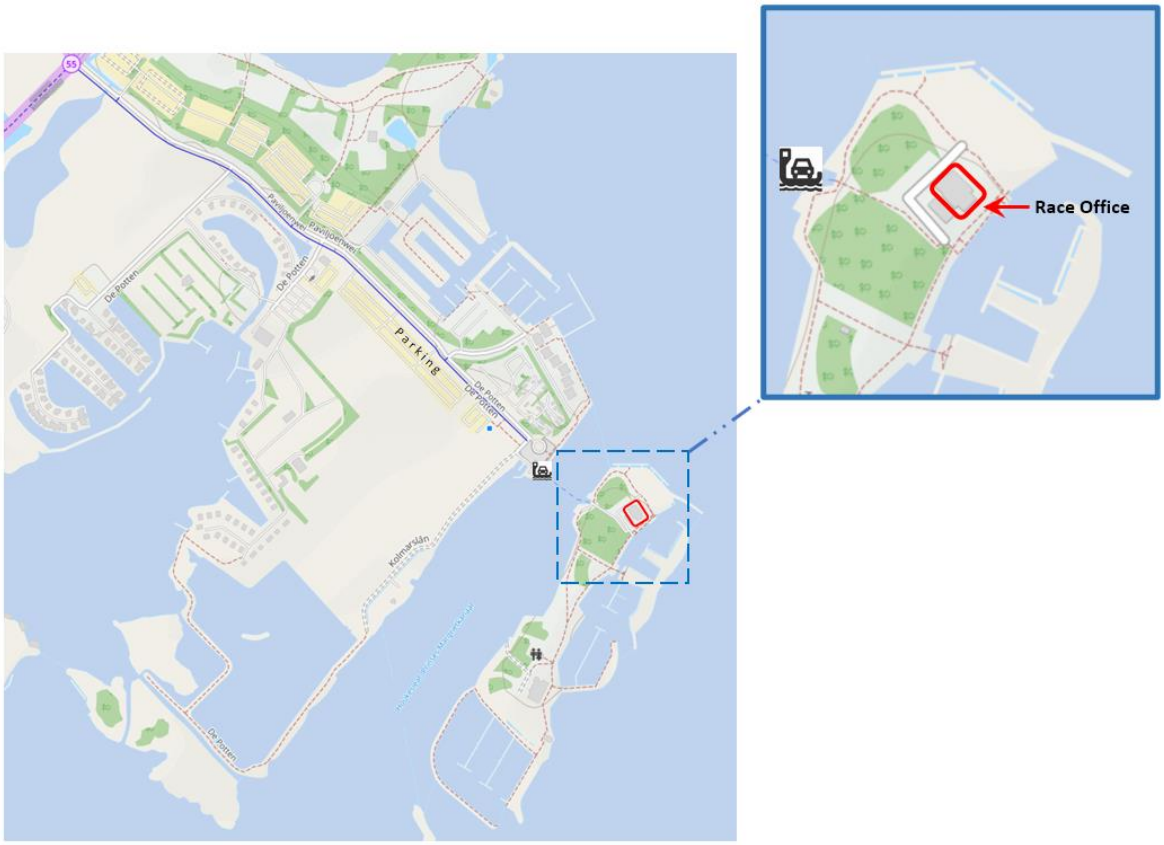
25.1 Trash may be placed aboard official or support persons boats**.**

26 ORGANISATION

The race officer is	: Rob Aukema/Johan Schurer
The chairman of the protest committee is	: Jos Spijkerman
The second member of the protest committee is	: Joao Carneiro
The chairman of the technical committee is	: John Figgures

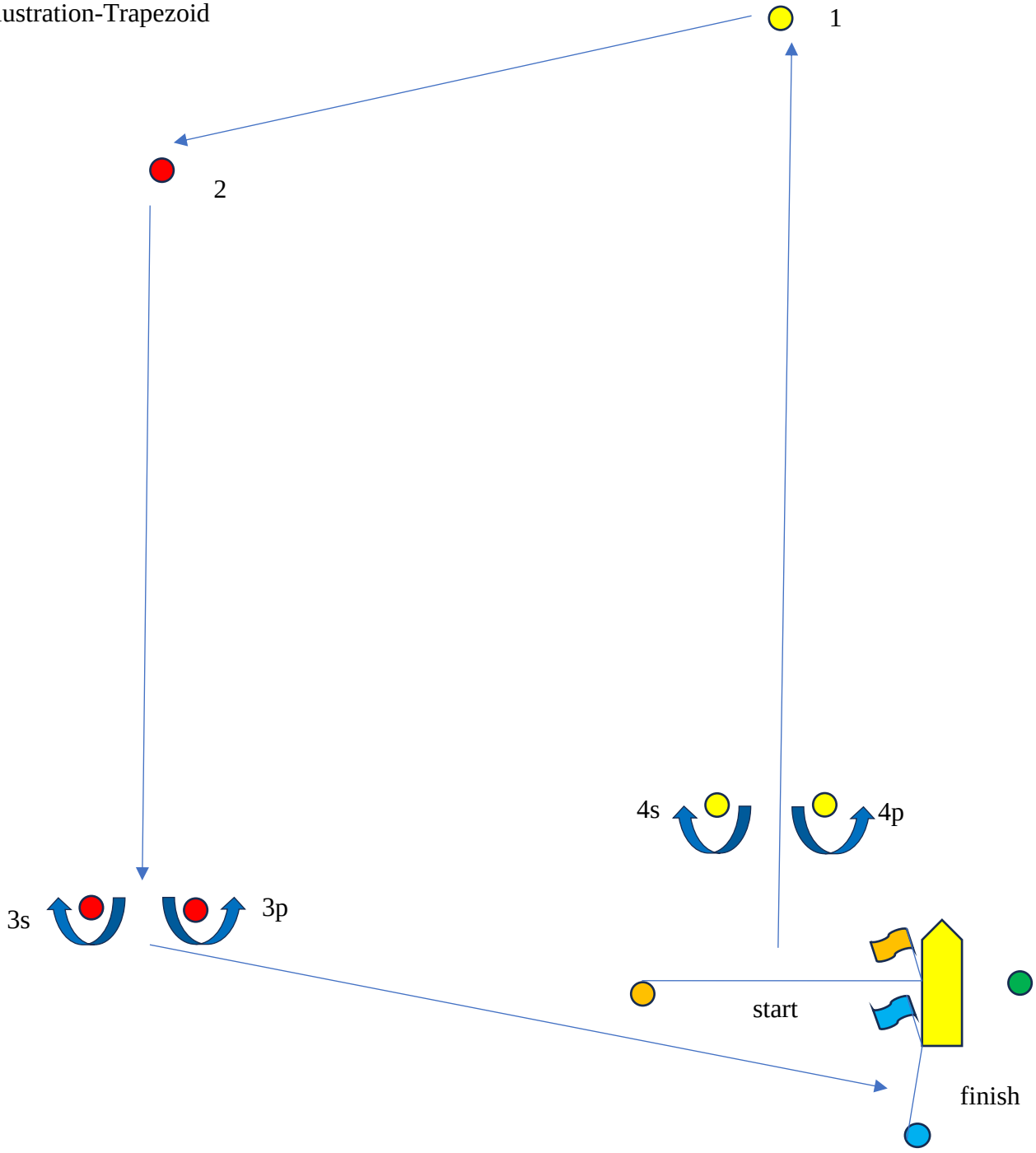
ADDENDUM A

Location of the Race office.



Addendum B Racing Area

Addendum C
Course illustration-Trapezoid



Signal	Mark Rounding Order (Inner Trapezoid)	Signal	Mark Rounding Order (Outer Trapezoid)
A	Start -1 - 4s/4p - 1 - 2 - 3p - Finish	D	Start - 1 - 2 - 3p - Finish
B	Start - 1 - 4s/4p - 1 - 4s/4p - 1 - 2 - 3p - Finish	E	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3p - Finish
C	Start - 1 - 4s/4p - 1 - 4s/4p - 1 - 4s/4p - 1 - 2 - 3p - Finish	F	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3p - Finish
D	Start - 1 - 2 - 3p - Finish	G	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3s/3p - 2 - 3p - Finish