



United 4 Sailing

Notice of Race

Stichting United 4 Sailing, in conjunction with ZV Workum, KZ&RV Hollandia, WSV Hoorn, KWV Frisia, Haarlemsche Jachtclub, WV Braassemmermeer, ZC Kurenpolder, WV Breskens and Royal Yacht Club van België are kindly inviting you to take part in the

UNITED 4 SAILING REGATTA 2014

which will take place:

April 26-27, 2014	on the IJsselmeer off Medemblik
May 17-18, 2014	on the IJsselmeer off Workum
September 6-7, 2014	on the IJsselmeer off Workum
September 27-28, 2014	on the Oosterschelde off Roompot Marina, Kamperland

in the classes: 29er, 49er, 49erFX(open), 420, Cadet, Europe, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, Optimist, RS Feva and Splash.

RULES

The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). The Sailing Instructions may change some rules.

The Notice of Race is also available in Dutch, in case of discrepancies the Dutch text will prevail.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- Entries or changes to an entry up to and including Wednesday before a United 4 Sailing weekend on the web site www.united4sailing.org
- Sailors, who did not fulfil their financial obligations towards the Stichting United 4 Sailing, will not be admitted to the regatta, unless all obligations are fulfilled.
- In the *Optimist Class*, every competitor should be an A-class sailor.
- In the *Splash Class*, sailors will compete in the class, Splash A1, A2 and B, as assigned by the class organisation.

Maximum entries

Class	Maximum number of competitors
Optimist	210 boats
Laser Radial, Laser 4.7	120 boats
Splash	Each starting group max 60 boats
All other classes	60 boats

The online entry will be opened as of February 15, 2014.

All sailors will be admitted according to their date of entry until the maximum is reached.

Minimum entries

If for a class in a weekend less than 8 competitors have completed their entries, a decision can be made, that the class will not take part in that weekend. In this case, all entries will be informed by email on or before the Thursday preceding the United 4 Sailing weekend.



Entry Fee

Euro 60.-- per weekend.

For entries or changes to an entry made at the regatta office and in case of cash payment by Dutch sailors, the entry fee will be raised with Euro 10.--.

Making an entry as a competitor in the regatta, obligates the sailor to pay the entry fee for the regatta. If a sailor cannot participate, no entry fee is due, under the condition that the sailor reports his withdrawal on the website or if closed by email to info@united4sailing.org before 24:00 hrs on the Thursday before the regatta.

If you do not withdraw within the time limit, you remain liable for the entry fee.

United 4 Sailing donates Euro 10.-- per boat to the Dutch/Belgian Class Organisations as payment for their services such as rescue, beach masters, support with the entries etc.

PAYMENT

Dutch sailors can only pay their entry fees, by one-time debit authorisation of their bank account via the web site www.united4sailing.org. **Entries of dutch sailors without one-time debit authorisation can be removed without further notice.** This also applies for entries made at the regatta office.

Foreigners can pay cash at the regatta office.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

Every weekend the first scheduled start is at Saturday morning 11.00 hrs.

Every weekend four races are scheduled on Saturday and four on Sunday.

The Optimist Class fleet will be split each day in three starting groups.

With more than 60 Laser Radial or Laser 4.7 boats, each day the fleet will be split into two starting groups.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions will be issued on the website <http://www.united4sailing.org> and can be downloaded in PDF format. These documents will not be handed out at the registration desk.

COURSES

There will be 3 Course Areas.

In the Course Areas, Trapezium-courses will be established with inner and outer loop.

The length of the course will be set to meet a target time of 40 minutes for the first finishing boat in every race.

PENALTY SYSTEM

Arbitration may be in effect for protests involving rules of RRS part 2 and rule 31.

Instructions for Arbitration will be given in the Sailing Instructions.



SCORING

Weekend Series:

The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

While scoring the separate junior, ladies or other sub-classes, the scores of the normal results will be used.

When less than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, this changes RRS Appendix A2.

Overall score United 4:

The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

While scoring the separate junior and ladies classes, the scores of the normal results will be used.

The total score of a weekend series will be a separate race score in the overall scoring. This changes RRS Appendix A9.

Only total weekend results, which are based on three or more races, will be included in the overall score.

When less than four weekend series are completed the overall score of a boat will be the total of her scores in the whole series. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

REGATTA OFFICE

The Regatta Office is open for registration on Saturday morning from 08.00 hrs.

TROPHIES

There will be trophies in every weekend series in every class

Separate trophies will be available for the Laser Standard U21, Laser Radial U19, Laser Radial Ladies, Optimist junior, Splash A1, A2 and B. There will be trophies in every Class for the entire Regatta series.

WEBSITE

You can find the United 4 Sailing regatta on www.united4sailing.org on the Internet. Information on locations and sailing instructions will be published before each event on this website.

LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

Neither the Stichting United 4 Sailing, nor the above mentioned organising associations, nor any other party and/or persons, involved in the organisation of the races, nor persons who are being used by these parties, will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained, direct or indirect, in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the races.

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1,500,000 per event or the equivalent.

GENERAL

Competitors and their supporters are bound to follow instructions, given by beachmasters, harbourmasters and site managers.

Failure to observe instructions is a serious offence and can result in a penalty as determined by the Protest Committee.

Please mind the road signs and the location information on the website www.united4sailing.org.

Be aware of the large number of competitors and waiting times at parking, registration, launching etc and the distance to the course areas.