Class Rule Changes
International Melges 24 Class Association
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World Sailing logo updated. Index amend to read:
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TWO:
To delete H.3:
H.3 CREW WEIGHING
Crews shall be weighed during the registration period prior to racing. During the event, Crews will be selected at random to be reweighed. Such reweighting shall be done on the same scale and at the same place and within one (1) hour of the end of the protest time limit of the last race of the day. Should a crew be found to exceed the maximum weight (Class Rule C.2.2), she will be penalized by adding the following points for the final total score of each race of the re-weighing day in which she raced and finished, as follows:
375 kg < weight ≤ 376 kg: 1 point;
376 kg < weight ≤ 377 kg: 2 points;
377 kg < weight ≤ 378 kg: 3 points;
Etc.
A crew found over the maximum weight (Class Rule C.2.2) shall not continue racing until she complies with the class rules. Re-weighing under this situation shall be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

THREE
C.2.2 WEIGHTS
Amend to read:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>The total weight of the crew dressed in underwear</th>
<th>minimum</th>
<th>Maximum</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>kg</td>
<td>375 kg</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

At official International Melges 24 Class events as confirmed by IM24CA Executive Committee and listed on www.melges24.com no later than January 10th of each year. This rule shall be administered as per H.3 and stated in both the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
Crews shall be weighed only during the registration period prior to racing.
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FOUR:  
C.7.2 FITTINGS  
Old:  
(a) USE  
   (1) The rear gate line across the transom shall be closed whilst racing. It shall be in one continuous piece, fixed using either a shackle, carabineer or lashing of optional design. The deflection at the centre when measured from a straight line between the attachment points shall not be more than 100mm.  

Amend to read:  
(a) USE  
   (1) The rear gate line across the transom shall be closed whilst racing. It shall be in one continuous piece, fixed at both ends using either shackles, carabineers or lashings of optional design. The deflection at the centre when measured from a straight line between the attachment points shall not be more than 100mm.  

FIVE:  
C.7.2 FITTINGS  
Old:  
(a) USE  
   (8) Fairings of any material may be used over blocks on deck to assist in the free running of sheets and control lines. To protect the spinnaker, a deflector or similar device of optional design may be installed totally within a 300mm radius of the forward most point of the hiking lines.  

Amend to read:  
(a) USE  
   (8) Fairings of any material may be used over blocks on deck, or to the bow towing eye, to assist in the free running of sheets and control lines. To protect the spinnaker, a deflector or similar device of optional design may be installed totally within a 300mm radius of the forward most point of the hiking lines.  

SIX:  
C.11 BOAT HANDLING RULES  
Old:  
C.11.5. RRS 42.3 (c) is modified to allow the spinnaker sheet to be trimmed without restrictions in all conditions.  

Amend to read:
C.11.5: RRS 42.3 (c) is modified to read:
Except on a beat to windward, when surfing (rapidly accelerating down the front of a wave) or planing is possible, the boat’s crew may pull in any sail in order to initiate surfing or planning.
The Spinnaker may be pulled without restrictions in all conditions.

SEVEN:

H.2 FITTINGS
Amend to add to the table in the BOWSPRIT section:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>STANDARD FITTING SPECIFICATION</th>
<th>DIMENSIONS</th>
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<th>PERMITTED MODIFICATIONS OR DIMENSION SPECIFICATION</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>MINIMUM</td>
<td>MAXIMUM</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Amend to add:

Optional: A bowsprit guide trolley assembly is permitted using a guideline attached to interior of cabin top running above the bowsprit, with a block that runs on the guideline, and a line extending down from the block slider to the aft upper end of the bowsprit.

**Bowsprit** launch block in cockpit sole:

| Bowsprit launch block in cockpit sole: | 29 mm | 40 mm | The block may be replaced by a ring, or loop used as a slider. |

The following drawings are for reference only and will not be included in the rules:
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EIGHT

H.2 FITTINGS
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<tr>
<td>Optional:</td>
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To prevent ripping of spinnaker in drops, tennis balls or similar size and shape objects are permitted in front of the stanchion.

NINE:

H.4 BOW NUMBERS

H.4.3 NUMBER DIMENSIONS:
Old:

a) Numbers shall be 3 digits. In the event of a boat hull number being 1 or 2 digits, a 0 or 00 will added in front, such as; 009, for hull #9, or 011 for hull #11.
b) Height: 32.0cm (12.5”) +/- 1.0cm
c) Length: 72.5cm (28.5”) +/- 2.5cm
d) Thickness of the body of the number is controlled by the font, Shentox Bold.

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b) Height: 32.0cm (12.5”) +/- 1.0cm
c) Length: maximum 800mm
d) Thickness of the body of the number is controlled by the font, Shentox Bold.

TEN:

Old:

H.4 BOW NUMBERS
H.4.7 NUMBER PLACEMENT:

a) Numbers shall be placed in the bow area of the hull, on both port and starboard sides.
b) The top edges of the Numbers shall be placed parallel to the deck surface.
c) Distance below the sheer of the deck surface; The top edges of the Numbers, shall be below the deck surface at a distance of 16.5cm (6.5”), +/- 1.0cm
d) Distance aft of bow: The most forward edge of the numbers, shall be placed at a vertical line, drawn perpendicular to the deck surface at a distance of 20cm (8.0”), +/- 1.5cm aft of the stem.
e) Sponsor or event stickers shall be placed below the deck surface at a minimum distance of 16.5cm (6.5”), and, 20cm (8.0”) aft of the furthest aft edge, of the Numbers and/or Melges24 Inscription Banner.

To amend:

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b) The top edges of the Numbers shall be placed parallel to the deck surface.
c) Distance below the sheer of the deck surface; The top edges of the Numbers, shall be below the deck surface at a distance of 16.5cm (6.5”), +/- 1.0cm
d) Distance aft of bow: The lower corner point, defined as the intersection of a vertical line along the leading edge of the number and a horizontal line along the bottom edge line of the number shall be placed at a vertical line, drawn perpendicular to the deck surface at a distance of 20cm (8.0”), +/- 1.5cm aft of the stem.
e) Sponsor or event stickers shall be placed below the deck surface at a minimum distance of 16.5cm (6.5”), and, 20cm (8.0”) aft of the furthest aft edge, of the Numbers and/or Melges24 Inscription Banner.

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