

H-BOAT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

26 May – 01 June 2025

Segelclub Ebensee

Ebensee am Traunsee, AUSTRIA

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[SP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that the standard penalty for a breach of the rule may be applied by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions apply.
- 1.3 The International H-Boat Class Rules apply.
- 1.4 The International H-Boat World Championships Rules apply.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the southern side of the Segelclub Ebensee clubhouse.
- 3.2 The race office is located at the SC Ebensee clubhouse.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Segelclub Ebensee flagpole.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.



6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1

Date	Time	
Tuesday, 27 May 2025	13:00	Warning signal for the practice race
Wednesday, 28 May 2025	11:00	First warning signal max 4 races
Thursday, 29 May 2025	11:00	First warning signal max 4 races
Friday, 30 May 2025	11:00	First warning signal max 4 races
Saturday, 31 May 2025	11:00	First warning signal max 4 races
Sunday, 1 June 2025	tba	reserve day

6.2 Racing on the reserve day (Sunday, 1 June 2025) will only be scheduled if less than 5 races have been sailed until Saturday, 31 May 2025, 20:00 hrs.

6.3 A maximum of 12 races will be sailed (This does not include any practice race).

6.4 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.

6.5 On the last scheduled day of the event (this is Sunday, 1 June 2025) no warning signal will be made after 15:00 hrs.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The Class flag is a white flag with the class insignia.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 The racing area is Lake Traunsee off Ebensee.

9 COURSES

9.1 The diagram in SI Addendum A shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10 MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2s, 2p are yellow inflatable buoys.

10.2 The starting marks are the Segelclub Ebensee committee boat on one end and a boat on the other.

10.3 The finishing marks are the Segelclub Ebensee committee boat on one end and an orange inflatable buoys in the other.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The starting line is between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
 11.2 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 A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at one end and the course side of the finishing mark at the other.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

15 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

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

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
20 mins	50 mins	75 mins	20 mins

- 15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
 15.3 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
 16.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office.
 16.3 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 Segelclub Ebensee clubhouse, first floor

17 SCORING

- 17.1 See Notice of Race

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

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

19 STORM WARNING

- 19.1 In case of storm warning the legal regulations must be followed.
- 19.2 In case of storm warning due to the legal regulations the race will be abandoned.
- 19.3 In case of storm warning personal flotation devices shall be used promptly

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. This changes Notice of Race 9.1.
- 20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the technical committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.
- 21.2 [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a boat shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

22 OFFICIAL VESSELS

- 22.1 Official vessels will be identified as follows:

Type	Identification
Race Committee	White flag with "RC"
Jury	White flag with "J"
Technical committee	White flag with "M"

23 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 23.1 Support vessels are not allowed.

24 BERTHING

- 24.1 [DP] Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while in the harbour.

25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 26.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the last race of the event.

27 PRIZES

27.1 The following prizes will be awarded:

- IHA World Championship Trophy
- IHA World Champion medals for the podium
- The host club will give special prizes for the first three boats in the championship and Commemorative prizes for all other participants present at the award ceremony.

28 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- by participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- the provision of a race management team, patrol boats, judges and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- it is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;
- World Sailing's effective Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the class rules as well as the regulations of the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions are to be complied with and are expressly recognized;
- Austrian law shall prevail;
- competitors shall present a signed and completed consent and declaration form at registration. For competitors under 18 years of age these forms shall be signed by a parent or guardian.

29 INSURANCE

29.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of EUR 1.500.000,00 per incident or the equivalent.

30 PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

30.1 Mandatory

30.1.1 See class rule 4.2

30.2 Optional

30.2.1 For use while racing

- (1) Electronic or mechanical timing devices.
- (2) Magnetic compass(es)
- (3) electronic digital compass with chronograph (timer and/or clock) is permitted. The compass must be entirely self-contained with either an internal battery or solar power. The compass shall have no external connections. This includes power supply and data inputs. (CR 3.8.5)
- (4) Mooring lines, fenders, spare lines, spare equipment and tools
- (5) V-berth cushions
- (6) Small clips or fasteners to keep the running rigging in place when not in use
- (7) First aid kit for boats
- (8) Camera equipment, race tracking equipment (e.g. GPS) and its accessories that are not otherwise prohibited by the NOR or sailing instruction. This equipment can be personal or provided by the organizing authority.
- (9) Consumables

30.2.2 Not for use while racing

- (1) Outboard engine
- (2) A manual bilge pump
- (3) VHF Radio(s)
- (4) Mobile phones

SI ADDENDUM A

No on Board	COURSES TO BE SAILED
2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish
3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish
4	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p - Finish

Wind direction

