

JUNIOR 470 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
DOHA - QATAR – 16-22 DECEMBER 2010
NOTICE OF RACE

The Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation in co-operation with the International 470 Class Association is pleased to invite 470 sailors to take part in the

Junior 470 World Championship for men and mixed crews
and the **Junior Women's 470 World Championship** for women crews,

to be held in **Doha (Qatar) from 16th to 22nd December 2010.**

1. – Rules

- 1.1** - The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the 2009-2012 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2** - No prescription of the Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation will apply.
- 1.3** - The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply to the extent they are referenced into the International 470 Class Rules.
- 1.4** - No Racing Rule change requiring advance preparation will apply. Racing Rule changes will appear in the sailing instructions.
- 1.5** - The Medal race of the Gold fleet will be subject to on-the-water umpiring according to Racing Rule Addendum Q.
- 1.6** - No Class Rule change will apply. Class Rules related to sail numbers to be used by competitors (A.10.4) and to identification on sails (C.17.3, C.17.4.a, C.17.6.a) will not apply.
- 1.7** - If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. – Advertising

- 2.1** - In accordance with the ISAF Advertising Code, advertising on the supplied equipment is only available to the organising authority. Competitors are requested to wear bibs supplied by the organising authority.

3. – Eligibility and entry

- 3.1 – The regatta is open to boats of the 470 Class. The Organising Authority will provide 40 brand new boats from Sport Sailing Centre, fully rigged, with sails and spars, but without personal equipment (Class Rule C.3) or removable equipment (Class Rule C.5) that each participating crew shall bring. Use of other boats will not be allowed.

Boats will be allocated to crews by drawing lots. A boat may be allocated to several crews if the total number of crews exceeds 40. The Organising Authority will provide each crew with a personal identification system for their boat that will substitute to Class Rules A.10.4, C.17.3, C.17.4.a, C.17.6.a.

- 3.2 - The regatta is open to competitors who comply with the ISAF Regulation 19. Each crew member of a competing boat shall be national or ordinarily resident of the nation where the National Authority the crew intends to represent is established.

Participating crews in the regatta shall be designated by their National 470 Class Association, or by their National Authority where there is no National Association. Only crews in good standing with the International 470 Class Association may participate: at least one crew member shall be member of a National 470 Class Association affiliated to the National Authority, or of the International 470 Class Association when there is no National Association in the concerned country. According to the International 470 Class Association rules, crew modifications may be accepted up to the start of the regatta.

Each crew member shall not have attained his or her 22nd birthday before or on 31.12.2010. (i.e. born in 1989 or later).

- 3.3 – Eligible crews shall fill in the relevant “Request for Entry” posted on the website of the International 470 Class Association (www.470.org/events), and pay the corresponding entry fees. A request for entry becomes a valid pre-entry when the relevant National 470 Class Association, or the National Authority where there is no National Association, has confirmed to the International 470 Class Association that the corresponding crew has effectively been designated to take part in the Championship and meets the eligibility criteria, and when the Organising Authority has received the payment of the entry fees. The International 470 Class Association will publish the list of pre-entries on its website. Only crews with valid pre-entry in the list may take part in the Championships, provided their pre-entry be confirmed on site.

The request for entry shall be filled in and the entry fees shall be paid before **1st November 2010**.

- 3.4 – Entries sent after the deadline indicated here above will be accepted only at the discretion of the International 470 Class Association, whose decision shall be final and may be subject to increased entry fees decided by the Organising Authority, whose decision shall be final..

- 3.5 – Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations shall fill in the entry form posted on www.470.org/events before **1st November 2010**.

4. – Classification

No classification requirements will apply (see Racing Rule 79)

5. - Fees

5.1 – Required entry fees are 2330 EUR per crew of two, to be paid before 1st November 2010.

The entry fees will cover participation of the crew in the Championships and in their related social events, charter boat, use of Club facilities, local transportation, and accommodation (double room) with full board for 7 days.

Entry fees to be paid by coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations are **800 EUR per person** (single room) or **590 EUR per person** (double room).

These entry fees will cover participation in the social events of the Championships, use of Club facilities, local transportation, and accommodation with full board for 7 days.

Coach boats may be chartered for **150 EUR per boat per day**.

5.2 - Entry fees shall be paid at the same time the request for entry is sent, to:

“Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation”

by bank transfer to QSRF account
header: **Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation**
account number: 0787-013883-001
SWIFT: QNBAQAQA
Bank address: Qatar National Bank - Al Islami
Hamad Alkabeer Branch

Please, advise of transfer by email to Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation (qatarsailing@yahoo.com)

6. – Regatta format

6.1 - The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series, all crews taking part in the qualifying series and in the final series. The qualifying series will consist of a maximum 10 races. The final series will consist on a Medal race for the top ten crews of the qualifying series and final fleet races for the other crews.

The number of fleets will depend on the total number of crews having entered and on the number of crews in each category, according to the total number of boats available (40) and in order to minimise the number of fleets, as shown in the table here below:

Total (T)	Number of crews		Number of fleets for	
	Men and mixed (MM)	Women (W)	Qualifying series	Final series
$T \leq 40$	$MM \leq 40$	$W \leq 40$	One fleet for MM and W together	One fleet of 10 One fleet for the rest
$40 < T \leq 80$	$MM \leq 40$	$W \leq 40$	One fleet for MM One fleet for W (independent series for MM and W)	One fleet of 10 and one fleet for the rest in each category
$40 < T \leq 80$	$MM > 40$	$W < 25$	One series of two fleets for MM and W together	One fleet of 10 and one (if $N \leq 50$) or two (if $N > 50$) fleets for the rest
$40 < T$	$MM > 40$	$W \geq 25$	Two fleets for MM One fleet for W (independent series for MM and W)	One fleet of 10 in each category, one (if $MM \leq 50$) or two (if $MM > 50$) fleets for MM and one fleet for W

- 6.2 -** When necessary according to the table here above, crews will be divided into qualifying fleets approximately of similar level and size, initially according to their positions in previous international races and to the national ranking lists provided by the National Associations at the time of registration, by a seeding committee chaired by the International 470 Class Association and including two or three coaches of national teams, then daily revised according to race results.
- 6.3 -** For the final series, crews in the qualifying series will be divided into final fleets Gold, Silver, and Bronze if necessary, according to the final scores of the qualifying series. The fleet Gold will consist of the first ten crews of the final scores of the qualifying series. The fleet Silver will consist of the other crews if their number does not exceed 40, otherwise the fleet Silver and the fleet Bronze will have approximately the same number of crews each. The fleet Silver will consist of the first part of the final scores of the qualifying series, out of the first ten, and the fleet Bronze of the second part.
- 6.4 -** On the last day, the fleet Gold will sail the “Medal” race, whereas the other fleet(s) will sail a maximum of 2 final races each.

7. - Schedule

- 7.1 – Registration:** each competitor shall confirm his/her entry at the Race Office on 16th December between 9:00 and 17:00.
- 7.2 - Opening Ceremony:** 16th December at 18:00
- 7.3 - Qualifying series:** from 17th to 21st December
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 10:00 on 17th December.
Ten races per fleet over five days (no more than three races a day).

7.4 - Final series: 22nd December

One Medal race for each fleet Gold and one or two final races for the other fleets.
No warning signal will be given after 15:00.

7.5 - Closing Ceremony: 22nd December as soon as possible after the last race.

8. - Measurements

8.1 - Each boat will be considered to be in compliance with the Class Rules. No piece of equipment of the boat and its identification while racing shall be added, removed, changed or altered by the crews, except pieces of personal or removable equipment as per Class Rules C.3 and C.5 respectively.

8.2 - No pre-race measurement inspections will be organised. However, the Regatta Chief Measurer may request some inspections on a case by case basis.

8.3 - In accordance with Racing Rule 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78, competitors are considered to be the owners). Measurement inspections at random during the regatta will be organised.

9. – Sailing instructions

The sailing instructions will be delivered to competitors at the time of registration at the Race Office.

10. - Venue

Organising Authority: Qatar Sailing & Rowing Federation
PO Box No.23515,
Raas Abu Abboud,
Doha – Qatar
e-mail: qatarsailing@yahoo.com

Contact Person : Captain A R Arshad, Cell +9745272453

The regatta site is located to Doha Sailing Club
Ras Abu Abboud Street
Doha, Qatar

11. – The courses

Except for the Medal race of the Gold fleet, course types will be the Olympic courses applicable to 470s, i.e. the Olympic trapezoid (with outer loop or with inner loop). Length of courses will be adapted according to wind strength in order to have an expected race duration of sixty minutes for the leading boat.

For the Medal race of the Gold fleet, course types will be windward-leeward courses with two or three loops and a leeward reach to finish. Length between marks and number of loops will be chosen according to wind strength in order to have an expected race duration of thirty minutes for the leading boat.

12. – Penalty system

12.1 - Racing Rule Appendix P will apply.

12.2 - Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in Racing Rule 70.5.

13. - Scoring

13.1 - At least four qualifying races are required to be completed for each fleet to constitute the qualifying series and to enter the final series. Race scores from those qualifying races completed by all fleets will be carried forward to the final series.

13.2 - Each series score will be established as follows:

- when fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores,
- when four or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

The Medal race cannot be discarded as the worst score, and the points for this Medal race are multiplied by:

- 2 when more than eight qualifying and final races have been completed,
- 1,5 when seven or eight qualifying and final races have been completed,
- 1 when less than seven qualifying and final races have been completed.

13.3 - There will be only one final official ranking list for the regatta in each category (men and mixed, women). The crews having entered the fleet Gold will rank the first ten places, the first crew of the fleet Silver fleet will rank 11th, and the first crew of the fleet Bronze, if any, will rank a place after the last crew of the fleet Silver. When all categories have sailed together, the final official ranking list of each category will be deducted from the overall final ranking list of the regatta by deleting the crews who are not of the relevant category.

13.4 - A crew assigned to compete in the Medal race shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish. The penalty for a breach of this instruction will be ranking the crew tenth in the regatta.

14. – Support boats

14.1 - Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations shall confirm their registration at the Regatta Office before the first racing day. They shall provide at the same time the Regatta Office with their national flag (around 120 cm x 80 cm) and their national anthem on CD-ROM, for the Opening Ceremony.

14.2 - Support boats shall fly a flag with their three national letters clearly displayed, or shall be permanently marked with a sticker of their three national letters on each side of the boat.

15. – Prizes and titles

The first crew of the final official ranking list of each Championship will be declared:

**"470 Class Junior World Champion" and
"470 Class Junior Women's World Champion", respectively**

Medals will be awarded to the first, second and third crews of each Championship by the International 470 Class Association.

Special memento will be awarded to the first crew of the fleet Silver and of the fleet Bronze, if any, by the Organising Authority.

16. – Disclaimer of liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rule 4, Decision to race. The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the regatta organisation will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17. – Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 500 000 EUR per event or equivalent.

A certificate of such insurance shall be shown during registration.

18. – Entrance to Qatar

18.1 - Visa

Visa is required by all visitors except nationals of Gulf Cooperation Council. The Organizing Committee will apply for one-entry visa into Qatar. The copy of Visa will be faxed or E-mail for visitor's use.

Visitors must be in possession of a fully valid passport with a minimum validity of six months. **Clear copies of passports must be forwarded along with the Entry forms by 1st November 2010** showing name, Passport number, Expiry Date, Date & Place of Birth, Issuing Place and Address so that request of visa could be processed. Late request of visa may not be entertained due to long process.

18.2 – Support boats

In case individuals want to bring in their own coach boats, then these can be cleared through Organising Authority official agent. The contact is as below:

Blue Water Shipping Qatar LLC.
P.O Box No.32352
Doha - QATAR
Fax : +974 4411164
Email : jdaniel@bws.dk
Website : www.bws.dk/

19. - Sailing Conditions

Expected weather conditions within the Racing Area:

- Average Day Time Temperature: 23 °C,
- Average Sea Surface Temperature: 22 °C,
- Average prevailing wind strength: 8,9 knots.