

Sailing Instructions

**Swedish Dragon Grand Prix 2025
Skanors Båtklubb**

July 30 to August 2, 2025

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY :

On behalf of the Swedish Sailing Federation the OA of the **Swedish Dragon Grand Prix 2025**

(IDA GRADE 1), from July 30 to August 2 , is Skanors Båtklubb

The notation '[NP]' (No Protest) in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1. The notation [DP] (Discretionary Penalty) in a rule means the Jury may apply a discretionary penalty. See RRS.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2. The Rules and Regulations of the International Dragon Association will apply.
- 1.3. The measurement requirements will be delivered upon registration.
- 1.4. No National prescriptions will apply.
- 1.5. Appendix T – Arbitration will apply
- 1.6. In the event of conflict between the NOR and the SIs, the SIs will prevail (This changes RRS 63.5(c)).

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) no later than 2 hours before the warning signal of the race where it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 20:00hrs 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 (ONB) at the event website [*Swedish Dragon Grand Prix & Swedish Championship manage2sail*](#). *Competitors will be invited to join an event WhatsApp group. The ONB remains the official channel, and failure to receive or read a WhatsApp message shall not be grounds for redress.*
- 3.2. Information on the water will be given by the Race Committee via VHF channel #74.
- 3.3. Communications between the Race Committee members will not be available to competitors.
- 3.4. [DP] [NP] Except in an emergency, a racing boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice communication or data that is not available to all boats.
- 3.5. The race office is located at the Club.



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4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole near the club reception.
- 4.2. Flag AP displayed with 2 sound signals means: "Races not started are postponed".
- 4.3. The warning signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after flag AP is removed (This changes Race Signals).

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Dates and number of races:

DATE	RACES	1st WARNING SIGNAL
Wednesday 30 July	Two races	12.00
Thursday 31 July	Two races	TBA
Friday 1 August	Two races	TBA
Saturday 2 August	Two races	TBA

- 5.2. The RC may start more or fewer races than scheduled above according to weather conditions
- 5.3. On Saturday no warning signal will be made after 15.00.

6. CLASS FLAG

White flag with Dragon Class logo in blue (or black).

7. RACING AREA

Sl's Attachment 1 "Racing Area" shows the location and the racing area.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The courses will be windward-leeward, with either a leeward finish (Course 1) or a windward finish (Course 2). See the diagrams in Attachment 1. These diagrams show the order in which marks are to be passed or rounded, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course to be sailed and may indicate the approximate bearing and length of the first leg of the course.
- 8.3. The course will not be shortened before mark 1 at the end of the second beat. This changes RRS 32.



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9. MARKS

9.1. Marks are as follows:

Mark	Mark description
Starting line	The starting line shall be between the Race Committee vessel displaying an orange flag at one end and a distinctive mark at the other
Marks 1, 2, 3s/3p	Orange marks
Finishing line	The finishing line shall be between the Race Committee vessel displaying a blue flag at one end and a distinctive mark at the other

10. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 A change of the next leg of the course will be made according to RRS 33.

10.2 The original marks will be moved to the new positions.

10.3 Any action or no action by the race committee under SI 10 will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1.

11. REPORTING TO PRINCIPAL COMMITTEE VESSEL BEFORE STARTING

11.1 Before the start of the first race on each day, boats shall, while sailing on starboard tack, pass at the stern of the principal race committee vessel. Boats failing to report may be scored "DNS". [SP][NP]

12. THE START

12.1 The starting line is between staffs displaying an orange flag on the starting marks / vessels.

12.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange flag at the starting line will be displayed with one sound signal at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

12.3 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the finishing mark. (See diagrams for Courses 1 and 2).

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

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



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- 14.2 Two turns penalty is mandatory in the Zone / three boat lengths from the windward mark and the leeward gate.
14.3 Appendix P will not apply

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1. The times are as follows:

Target race time	Time limit for the first boat to round mark 1	Time limit for the first boat to finish
Approx 90 minutes	40 minutes	120 minutes

- 15.2. If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the "Mark 1 time limit" the race will be abandoned.
15.3. Boats not finishing within 20 minutes after the first boat to complete the course and finish will be scored as DNF (This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5).

16. REQUESTS FOR A HEARING

- 16.1. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat of that class has finished 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 ONB. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the committee signals no more racing today ashore.
16.2. Request of hearing forms are available online at the ONB. Protests and requests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. (NP)
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.
16.4. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at the clubhouse, beginning, if possible, at the time posted. A delay in the hearing schedule shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 63.1.
16.5. Hearings may start earlier than the scheduled time if parties agree.
16.6. For the purpose of RRS 63.5(d) the "authority responsible" is the equipment inspector appointed by the organizing authority.
16.7. No official measurement shall take place after Race 1, except as the result of a protest or due to the replacement, alteration, or repair of any item.
16.8. No competitor may protest a question of measurement later than the normal protest time applying to Race 1.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. Eight races are scheduled, for the regatta
17.2. Four (4) races are required to be completed to validate the regatta.
17.3. (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
17.4. When five races or more have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores.



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- 17.5. There will be two rankings: an Overall ranking, and a Corinthian one.
- 17.6. The overall regatta ranking will be used to score the Swedish National Championship which is open only to those helms who are Swedish citizens (with 50% or more of the boat's total crew being Swedish citizens). Prizes will be awarded by the Swedish Sailing Association.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 18.1. RRS 40.1 applies at any time when boats are afloat.
- 18.2. A boat that retires from racing or intends not to start shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. This boat shall also personally inform the race office no later than the protest time limit.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP][NP]

- 19.1. [DP] Substitution of helm is not permitted
- 19.2. [DP] Substitution of other crew is not allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.3. [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.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 20.1. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, Equipment Inspection Regulations, and Sailing Instructions.
- 20.2. On the water, before or after racing, a member of the technical committee or their representative may carry out spot equipment checks.

21. OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels, flying a flag, will be identified as follows:

Race Committee vessels	White flag with letters " RC " in black
Media / Press and TV operation	White flag with letters " PRESS " in black

22. SUPPORT PERSONS [DP][NP]

- 22.1. Support vessels shall stay 100 meters outside the area where boats are racing and 150 meters of any racing boat 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.
- 22.2. Support vessels shall be identified with the three letters of their MNA code, and a yellow pennant provided on registration.
- 22.3. Support vessels shall participate to the safety system if the Race Committee vessel display Code Flag "V".
- 22.4. Support vessels shall register in the Club's race office no later than the competitors' registration time limit.
- 22.5. For safety reasons all support vessels shall permanently monitor VHF channel 74 when afloat.



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- 22.6. Any unidentified support vessel shall be taken out of the racing area.
- 22.7. Support vessels shall comply with local harbour and marina regulations, including speed limits.
- 22.8. If a support vessel does not comply with instructions of SI 22 a discretionary penalty may be applied by the jury to some or all associated competitors and may include restrictions on the movement of the support vessel. This changes RRS 62.2 and 62.3.

23. HAUL-IN – MOORING – HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP][NP]

- 23.1. All boats shall be afloat at the latest on Wednesday July 30, 11.00.
- 23.2. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to, the terms of prior written permission of the technical committee.

24. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP][NP]

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used below the waterline between Wednesday July 30 11.00 and the end of the regatta except with prior written permission of the race committee.

25. BERTHING [DP][NP]

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

26. PRIZES

As per NOR.

27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 27.1. Rule 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.
- 27.2. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in an event, each competitor (parent for minors) agrees and acknowledges that :
- (a) 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 an event.
 - (b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, crew and their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore.
 - (c) they accept responsibility for any loss, damage, personal injury or death to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
 - (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate
 - (e) the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities
 - (f) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances
 - (g) Their boat is adequately insured for the amount indicated below in NoR 18.
- 27.3. Nothing done by the organizers can reduce the responsibility of the skipper and crew of a boat, nor will it make the organizers responsible for any loss, damage, death



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or personal injury, howsoever it may have occurred, as a result of the boat taking part in racing.

28. INSURANCE

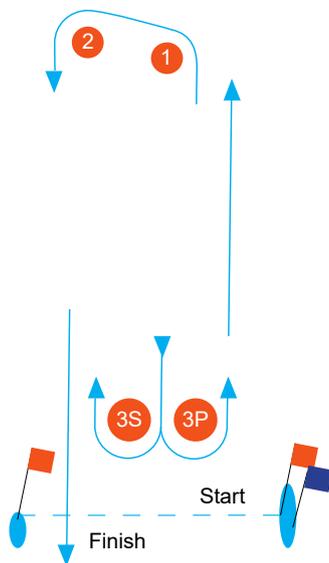
- 28.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 € per event or the equivalent, and by signing the Entry Form each entrant warrants that they have this insurance in place.
- 28.2. Each competitor is wholly and exclusively responsible for third party liability insurance on the boat that he or she is sailing and for his or her personal accident and health insurance.
- 28.3. Each competitor is wholly and exclusively responsible to maintain his boat in a safe and seaworthy condition checking it before going afloat.

ATTACHMENT 1

The Race Courses

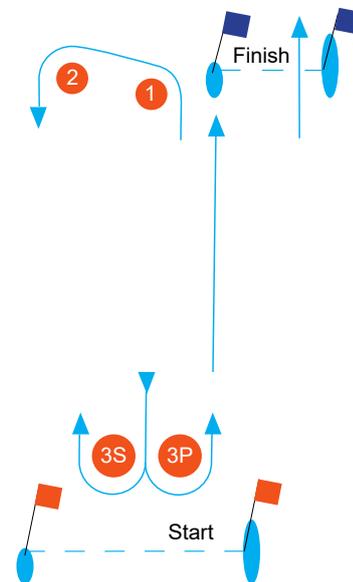
Course 1  Numeral Pennant 1

Start - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - 1 - 2 - Finish



Course 2  Numeral Pennant 2

Start - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - 1 - 2 - 3S/3P - Finish



Note that on the final leg of Course 1 (mark 2 to Finish) the marks 3s and 3p are not marks of the course, and on the final leg of Course 2 (mark 3s or 3p to Finish) the marks 1 and 2 are not marks of the course.