

Sailing Instructions.
Asian Airline Regatta
23rd to 25th October 2018



1. Rules and Regulations.

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) of World Sailing (WS) and the Platu 25 Class Rules 2018 available at [http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/PLA2018CR270218-\[23651\].pdf](http://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/PLA2018CR270218-[23651].pdf)

1.2 Racing will be single class in Platu 25 yachts. Boats will be provided by the organiser and allocated to teams by draw. No handicaps will be used. Only boats in compliance with the Platu 25 class rules and the amendments in 1.3 in these Sailing Instructions are eligible to enter.

1.3 The Platu 25 Class Rules 2018 are amended for the purposes of this regatta only by changing rule C.2.1.a by reducing the minimum crew to three.

1.4 A race committee will be formed to govern the event. Committee members may compete, but will not form part of any protest committee where there is deemed to be any potential for a conflict of interest.

2. Notice to Competitors.

2.1 Notices will be posted on the race headquarters building which is the Sail in Asia office on Ao Yon beach at: 6/37 Ao Yon Bay Moo 8, Boeray-Khaokad Road, Tambon Vichit, Amphur Muang, Phuket.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions.

3.1 Any amendments to these instructions will be notified to skippers at the morning briefings. Any changes after the brief will be notified by the flying of an L flag on the committee boat. Boats should sail within hailing distance or listen out on VHF Ch72 to receive the notice.

4. Signals made Ashore.

4.1 Any delay to racing will be signalled by the flying of the AP flag outside the race headquarters.

5. Schedule of Events.

5.1 The racing and social timetable is as follows:

Monday 23 October 2018: 1400L Practice race.

Tuesday 24 October 2018: 0900L Team Captains Brief.
0930L Team registration.
1000L Race Briefing.
1800L Beach BBQ.

Wednesday 25 October 2018: 0930L Race Briefing

Thursday 26 October 2018: 0930L Race Briefing
1900L Dinner and prize-giving.

6. Class flags.

6.1 Only one class will be racing. The class signal will be a Platu flag with a green edge. If a W flag is flown, the race is to be sailed with white sails only – i.e. no spinnakers. Flags used are detailed at Annex A.

7. Racing Areas.

7.1 The race area will be in the waters South of Phuket Island. A chart is provided at Annex B for reference. This is not to be used for navigation.

8. Courses

8.1 Courses and number of races per day will be decided by the race officer and briefed to the crews at the daily race briefings. There will be a series of windward/leeward course with an intention of sailing at least one long distance race over the series.

9. Marks.

9.1 Marks will be the committee boat and an Outer Distance Marker (ODM) to designate the start/finish line. On windward/leeward courses, the leeward marks (the Committee Boat and ODM) constitute a gate. Rounding marks may be an inflatable bouy, an official navigation bouy, an island, the Committee or safety boat. Exact marks will be briefed to the crews at the daily brief.

10. Racing.

10.1 The start sequence will be as per RRS 26 with the class flag starting the sequence 5 minutes before the start. The P flag will be raised at 4 minutes and lowered at 1 minute. Lowering of the class flag indicated the start has commenced.

10.2 The number of laps of the leeward/windward courses to be sailed will be displayed on the committee boat. Sailing a long course will be indicated by flying the L flag and relevant instruction conveyed by voice by hailing or on Ch72.

10.4 The course may be shorted either by changing the number of laps or moving the upwind mark. In the former, the committee boat will fly the S flag and boats should finish when they see it flown. In the latter case, the mark will be moved, or substituted by the safety boat flying the M flag.

10.5 The finish line may or may not be the same as the start line.

11. Penalties.

11.1 For windward/leeward Courses, the two turn penalty (RRS 44.1) is changed to a one turn penalty. For long distance courses, the standard two turn penalty will be in force in accordance with RRS 44.1.

12. Scoring.

12.1 Each race will be scored sequentially in order of finishing with first position scoring .75 points. Non-starting, disqualified or non -finishing boats will be scored last.

12.2 If 5 races are sailed in the series, one windward/leeward race may be discarded. If 7 races are sailed in the series, then two windward/leeward races may be discarded. Long distance races are not eligible for discards.

12.3. In the event of ties for positions at the end of the series, then the positions will be determined on countback with later races taking priority.

13. Protests.

13.1 Protests will be notified to the committee using recognised any recognised method no later than one hour after the last race of the day.

14. Substitution of crew and/or equipment.

14.1 No crew changes or substitution will be permitted without the prior approval of the committee.

14.2 No equipment is to be replaced without the prior approval of the committee, unless it involves replacement of items necessitated by damage and those items are carried onto the water. All replacement equipment must be permitted by the Platu 25 Class Rules, 2018

15. Safety.

15.1 A safety boat will be on the water during racing.

15.2 A boat withdrawing from the race will make its intentions known to the committee boat or safety boat.

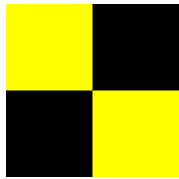
15.3 All skippers and competitors are reminded of RRS rule 4 which states that racing has an element of risk and that the decision to race is that of the Captain of the boat, and theirs alone. No liability will be acknowledged by the sponsors, organisers, officials or the race committee from competitors, their families/dependents or representatives.

16 Organiser.

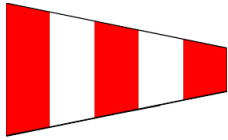
16.1 The event organiser is Sail In Asia Ltd, 6/37 Ao Yon Bay Moo 8, Boeray-Khaokad Road, Tambon Vichit, Amphur Muang, Phuket, Thailand.



Annex A: Flags Used In Racing.



L: Late notice in force – Come to within hailing distance or listen on Ch72



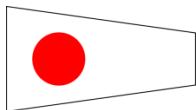
Answering Pennant: Sailing postponed



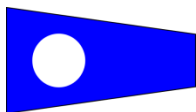
Orange: Committee boat end of start/finish line.



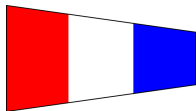
Blue: Committee boat in position on finish line



1: Course 1



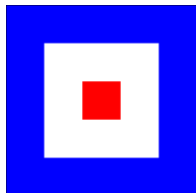
2: Course 2



3: Course 3



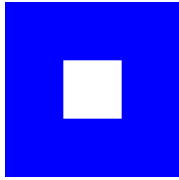
Platu class flag



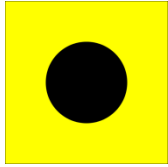
W: Use white sails only



Green: Round first mark to Starboard.



P: Preparatory signal



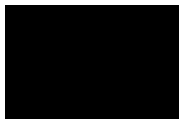
I: Rule 30.1 in force.



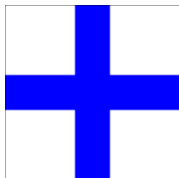
Z: Rule 30.2 in force



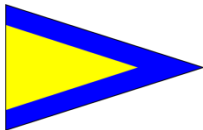
U: Rule 30.3 in force



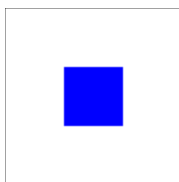
Black: Rule 30.4 in force



X: Individual recall



1st Substitute: General recall

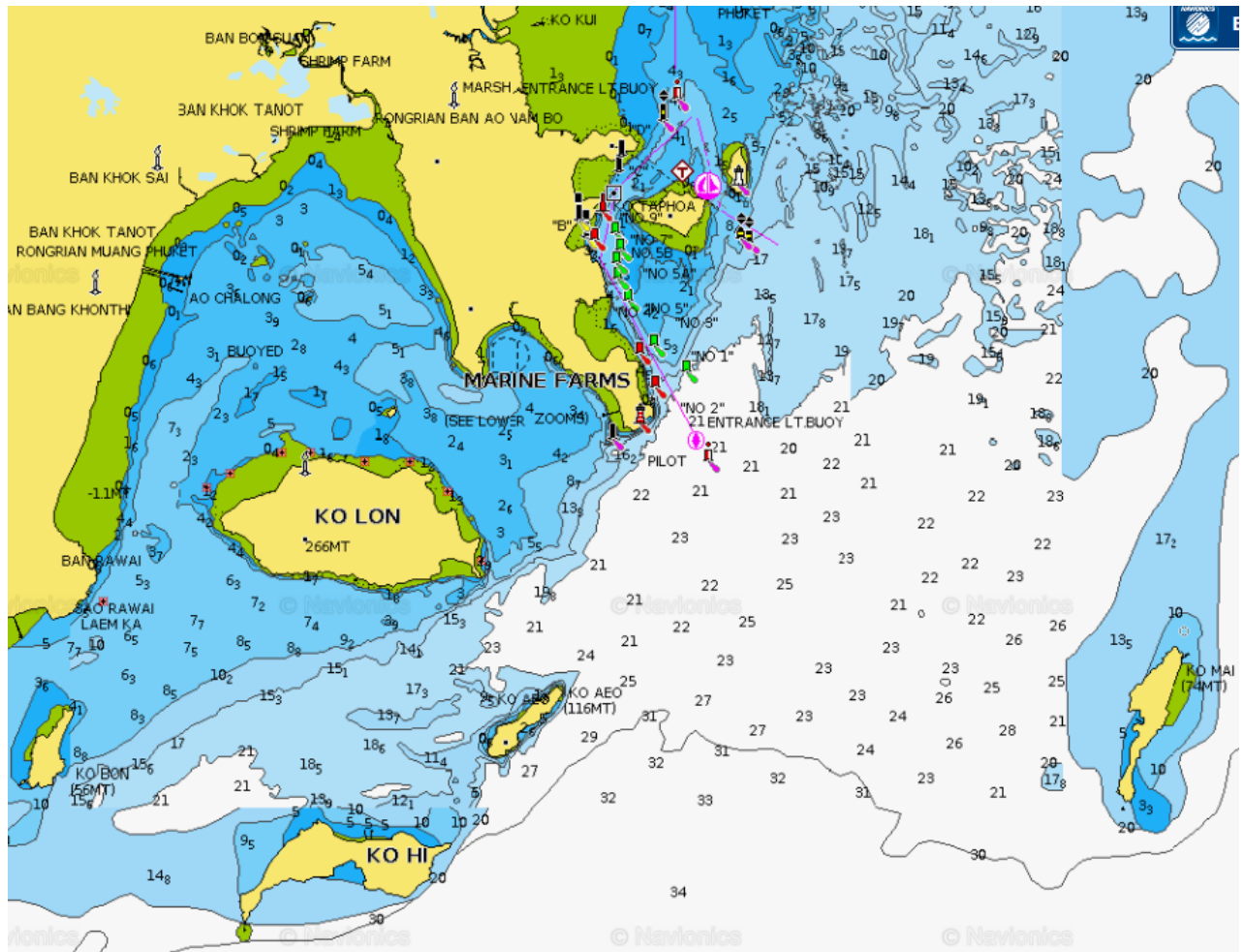


S: Course shortened



M: This object substitutes a moved or missing mark

Annex B to the Sailing Instructions for the 2018 Asian Airlines Regatta.



Note: Not to be used for Navigation.