



## THE HANKOE EVOLUTION CUP

Rules governing the prize of the Hankoe Evolution Cup  
for the International 5.5 Metre Class.

### ARTICLE 1

#### 1.1 Origin

The Hankoe Evolution Cup is a permanent international Challenge Prize, initially presented by the Norwegian 5.5m Class Association for the World Championship 2009, to be raced for the first time in Helsinki 2011.

#### 1.2 Competitors

The Cup may be competed annually by yachts of the International 5.5 Metre Class, built to designs from after 1969 and before 1994 and registered with recognised yacht clubs.

### ARTICLE 2

#### 2.1 Next competition

The club which wins the Cup shall have the right to arrange the competition the following year in case the World Championships are held outside Europe, if not, the Evolution Cup has to be sailed in connection with the World Championships and organised by the same Organisation.

#### 2.2 Transfer of rights

The club which has won may transfer the right to another recognised club or ask the Int. 5.5m Class to designate the National Authority under whose auspices the next races are to be sailed.

### ARTICLE 3

#### 3.1 Notice of Race

A "Notice of Race" in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing shall be distributed by the organising club at least one month before the first race, to the International 5.5 Metre Class Association.

#### 3.2 Entries

The final entries are to be delivered to the organising club at least 7 days before the first race. Entries shall specify the following:

- a Name of yacht
- b Sail letters and numbers
- c Name of owner
- d Name of Club
- e Year of building

## **Hankoe Evolution Cup**

### **3.3 Certificate of Rating**

The entry shall be accompanied by a valid Certificate of Rating.

## **ARTICLE 4**

### **4.1 Eligibility**

Every member of the crew of a competing yacht shall be an amateur as defined by the International Sailing Federation and comply with ISAF regulation 19. The helmsman and at least one other member of the crew shall be nationals or residents of the challenging country.

## **ARTICLE 5**

### **5.1 Rules**

The races shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the rules of the International 5.5 Metre Class , the Notice of Race, the sailing instruction and these rules.

### **5.2 Jury**

An International Jury as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing shall have overall supervision of the conduct of the event and shall hear and decide all protests.

## **ARTICLE 6**

### **6.1 Course**

The course shall be of the "Banana" type. Each leg to be about 1.5 nautical miles.

The first leg to be laid in the direction of the wind. Three legs are to be sailed against the wind and three legs downwind.

The start shall be against the wind and the finish after the last down-wind leg.

### **6.2 Exceptions**

If the conditions do not allow legs of 1.5 nm, these may be reduced to 1.1nm.

### **6.3 Minimum length**

The minimum total length of the course is to be 6.6 nm. The course must not be shortened.

## **ARTICLE 7**

### **7.1 Time limit**

There shall be a time limit of 2.5 hours for the leading yacht in each race.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **8.1 Races**

Five to seven races are to be scheduled, by having up to two races a day. Exceptions hereto may be granted with the consent of the President of the Class together with one Officer of the International Jury.

### **8.1 Scoring**

Appendix A low point scoring shall apply without a discard. At least 3 races shall be completed to make a valid winner.

**ARTICLE 9**

**9.1 Measurement**

Before the first race, the rating of the entered yachts shall be verified by presenting valid measurement certificates to the racing committee at the venue. The class measurer may call for sample checks during anyone of the racing days.

**ARTICLE 10**

**10.1 Cancelling**

If only one yacht arrives for the competition, the race will be cancelled.

**ARTICLE 11**

**11.1 Cup**

The Cup is to be handed over into the care of the winning club and a record of the winning yacht, club, owner and crew shall be made in the Record Book accompanying the Cup. No inscriptions are to be made on the Cup itself.

**11.2 Responsibility**

The winning club undertakes to place the Cup at the disposal of the organising club for the competition of the following year.

**11.3 Record Books**

All Record Books are to be given to the archives of the Int. 5.5m Class.

**ARTICLE 12**

**12.1 Remembrance**

The organising club shall present to the helmsman of the winning Prize yacht a cup in remembrance of its victory.

**ARTICLE 13**

**13.1 Interpretations**

Questions concerning the interpretation of these Rules shall be referred to the International 5.5 Metre Class Association.

**ARTICLE 14**

**14.1 Alterations**

Alterations to or deviations from these Rules are to be decided by the annual general meeting of the International 5.5 Metre Class Association.