



Notice of Race

Event: Swedish Championship for Express

Date: August 28 - August 30, 2020

Organizer: Trälhavets Båtklubb

Due to the latest rules around COVID-19, this Notice of Race supersedes and overrides the earlier NoR. Updated time schedules, racing format, communication and activities around the event are adopted to Swedish sailing federation and the current rules around COVID-19.

1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and with appendix S.
The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be posted on the official digital notice board, join Facebook group:
“Express SM 2020 – Trälhavet/Åkersberga. [LINK HERE](#).
- 1.2 The class rules for Express class will apply.
- 1.3 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [DP]
- 1.4 Competitors shall when afloat wear personal flotation devices. This rule does not apply to short-term replacement or adjustment of clothing or personal equipment, or when competitors are in the harbor or under deck. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes RRS 40. A boat that breaks this rule may be warned or penalized at the discretion of the protest committee (*DP*).
- 1.5 The competitor that is in charge on board shall follow Swedish Sailing Federations racing license regulation for competitors. This regulation applies from the year the competitor reach the age of 12. Competitors from other countries than Sweden are exempt from this regulation.
- 1.6 If there is discrepancy between NOR and Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions, the Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions will prevail.

2. Eligibility requirements

- 2.1 To be entitled to participate in Riksidrottsförbundets championships, each competitor must comply with World Sailing Regulation 19.
In order to be awarded the title Swedish Champion (SM) the competitors shall be Swedish citizens or have resided in Sweden for at least six months the last twelve months before the regatta starts.

At championships with more than one competitor per boat, a majority of the crew (more than 50%) shall comply with the rule regarding the title Swedish Champion. If so, the entire crew will be awarded the title Swedish Champion.

- 2.2 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.
- 2.3 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organising authority 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.

3. Entries

- 3.1 Entry shall be made not later than August 2, 2020, at <https://www.sailarena.com/sv/se/club/taebk/express-sm2/Registration/>
- 3.2 The advance entry shall include the following:
Sail no.
Responsible, Skipper
Nationality
Cell phone
E-mail
Club
When registering in race office, add crew members, Insurance Company and other mandatory information.
- 3.3 The entry fee is 3.500 SEK and shall be paid when register in Sail Arena.
Paid entry fee will not be refunded.

4. Registration and measurement checks

- 4.1 Registrations shall be made at the race office (Trälhavets Båtklubb klubbhus, Båthamnsväg 18, Åkersberga) not later than Thursday August 27 at 20:00.
- 4.2 Competitor that is in charge onboard, according to §1.5 shall be able to present a valid license for competitor. Competitor shall also present a valid membership in a National Class Association e.g. Sveriges Expresssegelare.
- 4.3 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. Selection of boats and rules for control will be decided by RC. On the water, the race- or/and the Technical Committee can instruct a boat to proceed immediately to a prescribed location for inspection.
- 4.4 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 4.5 A competitor may not be substituted without the written permission of the Race Committee.
- 4.6 At registration, all crew members must be weighed to ensure that the total crew weight complies with the class rules.

4.7 At registration a valid boat certificate must be presented. The certificate for Express must either be a digitally registered certificate at svenskssegling.se or a filled and signed copy of chapter H.9 in the 2019 class rule.

4.8 Express Class has a new class rule since 2019. If a boat fails to comply with the class rule, other sailors will offer their help. If, however, it is not possible to get the boat to follow the class rule, it will be allowed to start but will not get a total result

5. Time schedule

5.1 Programme

Thursday August 27

Registration and Measurement, safety inspection 12.00 - 20.00

Digital skippers briefing in Microsoft Teams 20.00

- [Link HERE](#). Will also available in Facebook group

Friday August 28

Qualifying series races

Time for the first warning signal 10.00

Saturday August 29

Qualifying series races

Time for the first warning signal 10.00

Sunday August 30

Final series races

Time for the first warning signal 10.00

No warning signal will be given after 16.00

Prize giving ceremony as soon as possible after the races and protest hearings. Only to be attended in person by top 5 boats. Digital broadcasted as well.

Boats that have a long journey home will be given priority at boat haul out.

5.2 Nine races are planned.

6. Race format – Qualifying series, final series

6.1 The regatta will consist of a Qualifying Series and a Final Series.

6.2 The boats will be divided into four groups by the race committee.

6.3 Qualifying Series of six races per group in heats where two groups sail together in each race.

6.4 Final series of three races in Gold and Silver fleets based on result of qualifying series.

7. Racing area

7.1 The racing areas will be at Trälhavet, South East of Åkersberga.

8. The course

8.1 Windward-leeward course based on inner or outer loops will be sailed.

9. Protests and penalty systems

9.1 RRS Appendix T1 will apply.

10. Scoring

10.1 The low point scoring system of Appendix A, as changed below, will apply.

10.2 Three races are required to be completed by all fleets to constitute the Championship.

10.3 When three or fewer races have been completed, a boat's overall score shall be the sum of her race scores.

10.4 When RRS A4.2 and A5 apply, a boat's penalty score shall be based on the number of boats in the largest fleet (group). This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

10.5 Final Series fleets need not have completed the same number of races. Final Series fleets is a non-excludable points.

10.6 Final race in Final Series will be scored double.

10.7 The Qualifying Series score plus the Final Series score will be the overall points for the Championship.

10.8 The boats in the Gold Fleet will be ranked above the boats in Silver Fleet.

11. Prizes

11.1 Perpetual prize to the winner. Swedish Championship (SM) plaque and titles will be awarded to top 3 Swedish boats.

11.2 Championship plaque and titles may be awarded if six or more boats from at least three different Swedish clubs located in more than one Swedish district have crossed the finish line in one race in the championship.

12. Rules for support persons

- a) Support persons shall follow Swedish Sailing Federation safety code.
- b) Support person shall launch, berth and take up his craft (coach boat) as directed by the organizer.
- c) Support person shall follow RRS 1, 2 and 55 and not subject a competitor to risk breaking RRS 41.
- d) During the race, a support person shall not be closer to a competitor than 50 meters, except when the support person acting under RRS 1.1.

13. Radio Communication

- 13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This shall apply from the time she leaves her mooring for the first race of the day until racing for the day is complete.
- 13.2 The Race Committee will make VHF radio communications to the fleet on channel 72. This to coordinate the heat starts and if we have bandwidth in the organization, we will make our best to notify OCS boats etc. However if not done or if a delay in notification, the order announced will not be grounds for redress.

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