

Based on the entry numbers on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2011.

### Stage 1 – Round Robin

- a) Skippers will be divided into 2 groups (Group A and Group B) of 16 teams using the ISAF Women's Match Race rankings released on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2011.
- b) Each group will sail a Round Robin - each skipper sails each other skipper once.
- c) The two highest scoring skippers from each group shall go to Stage 3.
- d) The next eight highest scoring skippers from each group shall go to Stage 2.
- e) The six lowest scoring skippers from each group will be eliminated and placed 21 to 32.

### Stage 2 – Round Robin

- a) This group will sail a Round Robin - each skipper sails each other skipper once.
- b) The four highest scoring skippers shall go to Stage 4.
- c) The twelve lowest scoring skippers will be eliminated and placed 9 to 20.

### Stage 3 – Gold Group Seeding

- a) The pairings for the first part of this stage will be
  - i. GG1: Second in Group B v First in Group A
  - ii. GG2: Second in Group A v First in Group B
- b) The first skipper to score at least TWO points shall go to GG3. The losers shall go to GG4.
- c) The pairings for the second part of this stage will be
  - i. GG3: Winner of GG2 v Winner of GG1
  - ii. GG4: Loser of GG2 v Loser of GG1
- d) The first skipper to score at least TWO points in GG3 will be placed 1 in Stage 3, and the loser shall be placed 2. The first skipper to score at least TWO points in GG4 shall be placed 3 in Stage 3, and the loser shall be placed 4.
- e) All four skippers shall go to Stage 4.

### Stage 4 – Quarter Final Knock Out

- a) The pairings for this stage will be
  - i. QF1: 4th place in Stage 2 v 1st place in Stage 3
  - ii. QF2: 1st place in Stage 2 v 4th place in Stage 3
  - iii. QF3: 2nd place in Stage 2 v 3rd place in Stage 3
  - iv. QF4: 3rd place in Stage 2 v 2nd place in Stage 3
- b) In each series, the first skipper to score at least THREE points shall go to Stage 5.
- c) The loser shall go to Stage 6.

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### Stage 5 – Semi-Final Knock Out

- a) The pairings for this stage will be
  - i. SF1: Winner of QF2 v Winner of QF1
  - ii. SF2: Winner of QF3 v Winner of QF4
- a) In each series, the first skipper to score at least THREE points shall go to Stage 8.
- b) The loser shall go to Stage 7.

### Stage 6 - Fifth to Eighth Place Sail Off

- a) The pairings for the first part of this stage will be
  - i. SO1: Loser of QF2 v Loser of QF1
  - ii. SO2: Loser of QF3 v Loser of QF4
- b) The first skipper to score at least ONE point shall go to SO3. The losers shall go to SO4.
- c) The pairings for the second part of this stage will be
  - i. SO3: Loser of SO2 v Loser of SO1
  - ii. SO4: Winner of SO2 v Winner of SO1
- d) The first skipper to score at least ONE point in SO4 shall be placed 5, and the loser shall be placed 6. The first skipper to score at least ONE point in SO3 shall be placed 7, and the loser shall be placed 8.

### Stage 7 – Petit Final Knock Out

- a) The pairings for this stage will be
  - i. PF: Loser of SF2 v Loser of SF1
- b) The first skipper to score at least THREE points shall be placed 3, and the loser shall be placed 4.

### Stage 8 – Final Knock Out

- a) The pairings for this stage will be
  - i. F: Winner of SF2 v Winner of SF1
- b) The first skipper to score at least FOUR points shall be placed 1, and the loser shall be placed 2.

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