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RIDDARFJÄRDEN, STOCKHOLM, 21st – 24th MAY 2026

The Organizing Authority is Gamla Stans Yachts Sällskap

GENERAL

The event is a 2v2 team race in supplied J/80 boats

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations apply to this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions:

PC: Protest Committee or International Jury

NoR: Notice of Race

OA: Organizing Authority

RRS: Racing Rules of Sailing

SI: Sailing Instructions

RC: Race Committee

WS: World Sailing

ONB: Official Notice Board



1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, including RRS Appendix D. Any changes to the RRS or Appendix D will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2** Competitors will abide by World Sailing Rules, Regulations and Policies, including but not limited to Eligibility, Safety Policy, Safeguarding Policy, Code of Ethics and Competition and Equipment manipulation policies
- The rules for the handling of boats and the equipment list, detailed as part of the Sailing Instructions, will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing. The J80 class rules will not apply.
- 1.3** The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions means that a competitor may not protest another competitor for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.4** No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.5** If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.
- 1.6** Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Rule 40.1 applies.
- 1.7** Competitors shall provide their own PFDs. Bibs will be provided by the Organizing Authority and they shall be worn over PFDs while racing.
- 1.8** All boats shall carry a marine band VHF radi. Each skipper will be provided with a VHF radio by the OA.
- 1.9** RRS 17 is deleted. World Sailing has authorized this change in accordance with RRS 86. The WS approval letter dated 3 December 2024 will be posted on the ONB.
- 1.10** RRS D2, Umpired Races, will apply.
- 1.11** When the protest committee finds that a boat or team's competitor has broken one or more rules where there was repeated breach of boat handling requirements, serious damage caused by reckless sailing or poor seamanship, poor sportsmanship, or misconduct as described in RRS 69.1(b), it shall make a report to the Organizing Authority (OA) who may revoke that team's invitation and excuse the team from the remainder of the regatta. The OA may also take this action without such a report after consultation with regatta management.

2 NEW VENUE TOO PREPARE FOR WC



- 2.1** The regatta will be sailed on the waters of Stockholm city/Town Hall, where the WC will be held 2026. OA has decided to keep the race area at Riddarfjärden to offer the participants access to the WC 2026 area.

3 EVENT GRADING

The event has not applied for a World Sailing Grade but is included in the 2k ranking for Team Racing.

4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1** The Sailing Instructions will be available on the online Official Notice Board, ONB, after 1800, 1st May, 2026. ONB as per NoR 3.1.

5 COMMUNICATION

- 5.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the online ONB which is located on the event webpage at <https://events.ksail.co.uk/2026/GSYSTeamRace/> and also available via <https://www.gsys.nu> and selecting "STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL TR" on the top menu.
- 5.2** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the starting vessel.
- 5.3** [DP] While racing, 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 does not include any communication with the race committee over the designated VHF race channel.

6 TEAM and SKIPPER'S ELIGIBILITY

- 6.1** A limited number of international clubs are invited to STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL TEAM RACE REGATTA 2026, an international event for two-boat team racing. The race will be sailed in J80 boats with four sailors per boat.
- 6.2** The registered skippers shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 6.3** A team shall comprise eight persons, who shall sail together in two boats. We encourage gender equality.
- 6.4** Any change of the crew can be done without permission until registration at the Race Office.



- 6.5** All sailors must be amateurs or defined by the Group 1 of the World Sailing Classification code. Teams can apply for an exemption if a sailor's profession would have no or little impact on the contest outcome. An exemption needs a written permission of the Organizing Authority.

7 ENTRY

7.1 Entering

This regatta is by invitation only and we have a waiting list so we ask you to confirm soonest, and the latest date for the entry of a team is January 31st 2026. The Entry shall be made by e-mail to: raceoffice@gsys.nu

The skipper/team shall enter a completion form later as advised and the payment of all fees and deposits as below. We are accepting max 8 teams for 2026 to offer everybody lots of sailing.

7.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee of Three Thousand five hundred Euros (Euro 3.500). The entry fee shall be paid before 28th of February to:

Gamla Stans Yacht Sällskap, Box 14237, SE-194 40 Stockholm, Sweden.

Bank address: SEB, 106 40 Stockholm, Sweden Bic code: ESSESESS. IBAN: SE4050000000058111045794. Country Code: SE.

If payment is not received by 28th of February, your seat will be lost and given to the waiting list.

The entry fee includes the cost of use of the boats throughout the regatta including the practice day and lunch package each racing day. Furthermore, social events according to appendix A for the eight-team members are included. Guest will have special rates.

Please, send a confirmation of your payment to raceoffice@gsys.nu who also can assist in case of questions concerning the entry. A confirmation of the receipt of the entry and the entry fee will be sent out by the Race Office.

Communication between the OA and participants will be conducted by email through raceoffice@gsys.nu. Each team when entering must provide the OA with an e-mail address and mobile number of each team member as instructed. Updated information is available on www.gsys.nu under Stockholm International Team Race.

8 DAMAGE / DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 8.1** An initial damage deposit of 500 Euro shall be paid using credit card information at registration, unless extended by the OA.



- 8.2** Before going afloat for the first time, each team shall agree in writing to be charged for the damage incurred via invoice if the situation arises. Maximum amount Euro 500 per boat and incident. A specification of damage charges will be attached to the SI. Additionally, before going afloat for the first time in a boat provided by the OA, every competitor shall lodge with the OA a signed Sailing Agreement.
This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- 8.3** a) Each skipper is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the umpires or PC. The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each skipper for each incident.
If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
b) The OA will refund any remaining damage deposit as soon as possible after the event.
- 8.4** Skippers should be aware that while the Event Race officer or Event Bosun will attempt to identify all damage at the post-regatta inspection, often this is not possible due to the nature of the damage. The skipper is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta report is completed and signed. In the event that there is material damage not covered by insurance and no one acknowledges responsibility (e.g., crews are rotated among the boats and no one reports the damage), the cost of repairs will be charged to all the designated skippers on a prorated basis.
- 8.5 Insurance**
All competitors are required to have adequate third-party insurance.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1** The number of crew (including the skippers) shall be Eight (8). All registered crew shall sail all races. Gender equality is encouraged.
- 9.2** After the warning signal for a match, the registered skipper shall not leave the helm, except in an emergency.
- 9.3** When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.4** When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 9.5** No weight limitations

10 EVENT FORMAT



- 10.1** The OA will provide J80 type boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: Mainsail, Jib.
- 10.2** Boats will be allocated as decided by the OA.
- 10.3** The sails to be used will be allocated by the OA.
- 10.4** While all reasonable steps will be taken to equalize boats, variations will not be grounds for a boat to request redress. This changes RRS 61.1.
- 10.5** The number of flights to be sailed each day will be determined by the OA with the intention of the OA to start each subsequent flight as soon as practicable after the previous flight.
- 10.6** The course will be windward/reach/leeward with optional offset legs resulting in either port or starboard rounding and downwind finish as shown in the SIs
- 10.7** Racing will take place on the waters just west of the Town Hall at Riddarfjärden, Stockholm City. Address: Norr Mälarstrand 31, Stockholm, Sweden
- 10.8** The planned format is one or more Round Robins, which may be followed by a Semi Final, Final, Petit Final and a race for fifth place, time permitting.
- 10.9** The OA may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impracticable to attempt to hold the remainder of the matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.
- 10.10** The format and number of races will be described in the Sailing Instructions and at the Skippers Briefing.
- 10.11** Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and will also be presented on the website not later than three weeks before the start of the event.
- 10.12** Furthermore, the participants should be especially aware that the racing will be held in the center of Stockholm, through a special permission by the Stockholm Port Authorities. We can, therefore, offer an exciting racing event right in the center of the Capital of Scandinavia, which will be a unique event in the world.
The participants shall, however, take into consideration the commercial and non-commercial boat traffic around and partly close to the race course, which creates an extra element of sailing skill and risks involved. Commercial vessels have the right of way.

11 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

- 11.1** The event will be held from 21st of May to 24th of May 2026



11.2 All activities will be on the barge “The Deck”

Thursday May 21st

10.00-15.00 Registration. Teams will be required to register with the Race Office at The Deck before going afloat for practice.

10:00 Practice. Time slots can be booked beforehand with the Race Office raceoffice@gsys.nu

Friday May 22nd

08:30 Skippers meeting followed immediately by an umpire briefing. Mandatory attendance of one person per team.

10:00 First warning signal for Day 1 Round Robin.

Saturday May 23rd

08:30 Skippers meeting followed immediately by an umpire briefing. Mandatory attendance of one person per team.

10:00 First warning signal for Day 2 Round Robin.

Sunday May 24th

08:30 Skippers meeting followed immediately by an umpire briefing. Mandatory attendance of one person per team.

10:00 First warning signal

15:00 Latest time for warning signal

For the social program see appendix A

12 ADVERTISING

12.1 [NP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority in accordance with World Sailing Advertising Code.

12.2 As boats are supplied by the OA, advertising via the teams need to be agreed with the OA.

13 [NP] CODE OF CONDUCT

13.1 Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, cooperation with event sponsors and shall behave so as to not bring the event into dispute.



- 13.2** Competitors and Support Persons shall handle any equipment provided by the OA with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

14 [NP] SUPPORT PERSON

- 14.1** Support person vessels shall register with the OA and conspicuously display the assigned flag. Bring your own assigned flag.
- 14.2** Support person vessels shall stay approximately 50 meters from the racing area while boats are racing or comply with reasonable requests from officials.
- 14.3** Except as directed by the OA, competitors shall have no communication with, be tied to or transfer provisions to, equipment to and from any support person or vessel from the time the boat leaves the dock or mooring each day until racing has been concluded for the day for that team.
- 14.4** Support person vessels may be required to assist with boat transfers and safety measures under the direction of the RC.
- 14.5** All support person vessels shall always have an engine safety cut out switch (kill cord) attached to the driver while the engine is running.

15 [NP] MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

- 15.1** All those who take part in the regatta as competitors as well as support persons or spectators agree to be overflowed by a drone during the duration of the event, this includes your person and your property (boats).
- 15.2** By participating in the event, a competitor automatically grants to the OA and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at the discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition for said event in which the competitor participated and in all material related to the said event without compensation.

16 RISK STATEMENT



- 16.1** RRS 3 states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. Skippers should note RRS 46.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1** The prize giving ceremony will be held after the races on Sunday afternoon on the DECK.
- 17.2** The winning team will be awarded the GSYS Team Race Cup. Other prizes will be awarded.

18 ACCOMMODATION, TRANSPORTATION

- 18.1** We suggest a few hotels for you:

Bank hotel, city center, <https://bankhotel.se/>

Hotel Clarion Amaranten,
<https://www.strawberry.se/hotell/sverige/stockholm/clarion-hotel-amaranten/>

Victory Hotel in the Old Town, <https://victoryhotel.se/victory-hotel/>

Af Chapman, B&B, on a ship
<https://www.svenskaturistforeningen.se/boende/stf-stockholm-af-chapman-skeppsholmen-vandrarhem/>

As the regatta is held in the busy season, it is advised to book your accommodation early at the above booking sites. The easiest way from the airport to the hotel is by taxi or airport train. Only the big taxi companies are allowed into the terminal. Please, refer to the Taxi Rank Officers in the yellow vests for advice and ask the driver for a fixed price to your destination before you enter the taxi.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER REQUIREMENT



- 19.1** All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk and responsibility. The OA and any sponsor associated with this event have no liability for any damage, loss or any penalty suffered by any boat crew or any other person taking part in such events. The OA and any sponsor associated with this event shall not be responsible for the seaworthiness of a boat whose entry is accepted and/or the sufficiency and/or adequacy of its equipment or the competence of its skipper or crew. The OA reserves the right in its sole and uncontrolled discretion to refuse entry.
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- 19.2** As a condition of entry, each skipper and participating crew member shall submit, prior to racing, an online liability waiver/media release. The document will be provided at registration onsite for the event.

20 INVITATIONS

- 20.1** Entries will only be accepted from invited clubs. If you wish to be invited, please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by sending an email to: raceoffice@gsys.nu

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information concerning the event may be obtained from the Race office, email: raceoffice@gsys.nu

We are looking forward to welcoming you to an exciting event in Stockholm.

Stockholm, November 2025

GAMLA STANS YACHT SÄLLSKAP

Patrick Stähle
Commodore

Erik Björling
Race Director



A APPENDIX A

PRELIMINARY SOCIAL PROGRAM ON THE DECK

Thursday May 21st

Afternoon After sail at THE DECK

18.00 Opening ceremony for participants and friends with drinks and food.

Friday May 22nd

Afternoon After sail at THE DECK

Evening Free for team dinners

Saturday May 23rd

Afternoon After sail at THE DECK

18:00 Regatta dinner. Time and place to be announced at registration.

Sunday May 24th

Afternoon Prize giving ceremony at THE DECK, as soon as practicable after the races.
Includes drinks and food.

All activities above are included in the entrance fee for the participants.
Partners/spouses or supporters will be charged a small friendly fee for participation in the events.

We welcome you to bring your partner or club members, who would like to support your team and take the opportunity to enjoy Stockholm – the capitol of Scandinavia. Social activities will be organized on and off the water for non-racing companions, our intention is to offer exciting racing in the middle of Stockholm and have the opportunity to meet onshore at the social events.
