



FORMAT

REGATTA SCHEDULE

Event 1	17-19 April	MALCESINE (VR), Lake Garda	Fraglia Vela Malcesine (www.fragliavela.org)
Event 2	8-10 May	LERICI, Liguria	Circolo Vela Erix (www.cdverix.it)
Event 3	5-7 June	SCARLINO, Tuscany	Club Nautico Scarlino (www.etruscamarina.it)
Event 4	17-19 July	CAGLIARI, Sardinia	Yacht Club Cagliari (www.yachtclubcagliari.it)

1. ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 The Championship is open to all boats of the Melges 32 Class that meet the binds of the Class Rules.
- 1.2 All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF Eligibility Rules, ISAF Sailor Classification Code and Melges 32 Class Rules C. 9. As per Class Rule C. 9.5, IMCA delegated to a Classification Code Committee the authority in determining a competitor's status (owner and alternative driver) within the spirit of the class rules.
- 1.3 The owner/charterer, who will enter his first regatta in the series, will comply with the class rule G.1.7. The registered Owner/Charter may only use sails from one declared inventory. That inventory must be of the Owner or the Charterer. This one inventory can only be used for events that combined are scored for the 2009 Audi Melges 32 Sailing Series. One inventory includes the seven sails declared as well as the remaining sails relating to the Owner or Charter.

2. LEVEL OF THE RACES

- 2.1 Level A: The crew shall be composed of Group 1 competitors except that up to three (3) crew members may be Group 2 or 3 competitors, but, not more than three (3) may be a Group 3.

3. REGATTA SCORINGS

- 3.1 Three (3) races are needed for the regatta to be scored in the series.
- 3.2 Each boat will be scored in the regatta as follows:

First place	no. 1 points
Second place	no. 2 points
Third place	no. 3 points
Etc.....	

DNS, DNF, RAF Boats will be scored one point more than the number of boats that came to the starting area
DNC boats and boats entering the series later will be scored one point more than the number of boats entered the series at that date.
- 3.3 On the total number of races in the series some worst scores will be excluded as follows:

Complete races	Races to be excluded
from no. 5 to no. 9 races	no. 1
from no. 10 to no. 14 races	no. 2
from no. 15 to no. 19 races	no. 3
from no. 20 to no. 24 races	no. 4
from no. 25 to no. 29 races	no. 5
from no. 30 races	no. 6

The number of complete races will include any possible race already excluded in the regatta's score and races where RRS 89.3(b) applied.

3.4 In case of tie in the series RRS A8 will apply.

4 PRIZES

First 3 places of each Regatta
First 5 places of the Series

Leader's Flag

The Leader's Flag will be assigned to the boat that is leading the circuit after any valid regatta of the series. That flag will be delivered after the first regatta and set on the back-stay during the second regatta of the series.

The "Leader's Flag 2009" will be permanently assigned during the last prize-giving ceremony to the winner of the series.

Bow Racing Number

Prior to the first event competitors attending the 2009 series may chose their own Bow Racing Number.

The number has to be in the range between 02 and 99.

The number 01 like in all sports traditons has been automatically appointed to the winner of the 2008 Series.

In case no number request occur, the organization will automatically assign a progressive number.