

TALL SHIPS RACES 2024

Captains' Briefing – KLAIPEDA



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CAPTAINS' BRIEFING

- Welcome and Roll Call
- Meet the Team
- Undocking and Parade of Sail
- Arrival Information – HELSINKI
- Race Start and Course
- Race Communications
- Weather Forecast
- Other Business



UNDOCKING & PARADE OF SAIL

Valdemaras Vizbaras



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PARADE OF SAIL – WAITING AREA



PARADE OF SAIL – ORDER



MAIN COLUMN – UNDOCKING TIME

1100 HELENA 1103 RUPEL

1106 ESPRIT

1109 CONSTANTIA 1109 BETTY

1111 GEDANIA

1115 POGORIA (pilot on board 1055)

1113 LINDA

1116 BONAWENTURA

1117 INGRID

1120 DAR MŁODZIEZY (pilot on board 1100) 1122

ASTRID

1119 SAEFTINGHE

1124 EXCELSIOR

1124 ITS STELLA POLARE

1126 JOHANN SMIDT

1127 HIIUINGEL

1125 HNMLS URANIA

1129 KAPITAN GLOWACKI

1135 SVANHILD

1137 VALBORG

1140 FRYDERYK CHOPIN (pilot on board 1120) 1142

ALBANUS

(PASCUAL FLORES)

1144 BRABANDER



MAIN COLUMN

- **ALL TIMES IN LOCAL TIME (UTC+3)**
- Undocking and parade radio communication **VHF CH67**
- Parade commander's call sign **PARADE1** (one) on the **PILOT BOAT** in the **WAITING AREA 1**
- Fleet radio check **1035** (PARADE1 call: **ETNA radio check**. Answer: **ETNA ready**)
- All vessels in main column **STAND-BY 1045** (warm engine and remaining minimum mooring lines)
- **FOLLOW-ME** boat will give **VISUAL** signal for each vessel for undocking



MAIN COLUMN

- All vessels in main column proceeding close to green buoys toward **WAITING AREA 1 (pilot boat)**
- All vessels in parade keep **PILOT BOAT** on your **PORT SIDE**
- First vessel of the parade in the **WAITING AREA 1** at **1130**
- All vessels keep arranged order in **ORDER PLAN** and follow **LT NAVY SHIP N42 JOTVINGIS**
- Radio watch on VHF CH67 keep until passing breakwaters



SMALLER C&D YACHTS – UNDOCKING TIME

1015 LIETUVA AND ODISÉJA

1020 DAR SZCZECINA AND ZRYW

1022 BELFER

1023 BELFER II

1024 NAVIGATOR

1025 WIELOPOLSKA

1026 SARMATA II

1027 TORNADO

1028 VESTA

1029 BIES

1030 THEIA

1031 TARA

1032 FARUREJ

1033 WILLIWOW



SMALLER C&D YACHTS

- **ALL TIMES IN LOCAL TIME (UTC+3)**
- Undocking and parade radio communication **VHF CH67**
- Parade commander's call sign **PARADE1** (one) on the **PILOT BOAT** in the **WAITING AREA 1**
- **1015** all yachts **STAND-BY** (warm engine and remaining minimum mooring lines, ready pull line if necessary)
- **FOLLOW-ME** boat will give **VISUAL** signal for each vessel for undocking



SMALLER C&D YACHTS

- All yachts proceeding toward **WAITING AREA 2** free practice
- All yachts must be in **WAITING AREA 2** at **1130**
- **S/Y LIETUVA** joins on the **STARBOARD** side of **S/V BONAWENTURA**
- First yacht of the parade in the **YACHTS COLUMN** **S/Y LIETUVA (leader)**
- All yachts keep arranged order in **ORDER PLAN** and follow **S/Y LIETUVA** by **safe distance**
- **Formation speed 5 KN**
- Radio watch on VHF CH67 keep until passing breakwaters



ARRIVAL TO HELSINKI

Pekka Halkosaari



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Welcome to Helsinki!

Pekka Halkosaari Harbourmaster TSR Helsinki 2024



First leg about 280 nm

The finish line of Race 1:

Port end 59° 35.0' N 024° 09.1' E

Mid point 59° 33.2' N 024° 12.5' E

Stb end 59° 31.4' N 024° 16.0' E

A line bearing 315° T from Suurupi Rear Light For a distance of 5 to 10 NM

ATTENTION!

Be aware for the possible GPS interference!

After race entering Finnish waters

Apr. 50 nm to Helsinki harbours. Continue to Uusmadal and then turning to North, sailing East of Porkkala Traffic Separation Scheme to Finnish territorial waters. Other possibility from Kuradimuna towards Harmaja.

Beware of the fast going (25 kn) ferry traffic between Helsinki and Tallinn. Tallink Myster, Megastar and Finlandia sails West and Viking XPRS east of Helsinki lighthouse NORMALLY!

Tallink departures 7.30-23.00, Finlandia 6.00-21.40, Viking XPRS 8.00-21.15.

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Entering Helsinki

Entering Helsinki via Harmaja lighthouse 9,6 m fairway. Call Helsinki VTS ch 71 when entering the area. Pilot boarding position Helsinki N 2 nm south of Harmaja, orders via Finnpilot. If sailing East of Harmaja, entering South of Hramtsow radar mark. If you want to sail in Finnish waters the best area for it is between Harmaja and Kalbådagrund (Porvoo) before harbour service hours.

Emergencies on sea

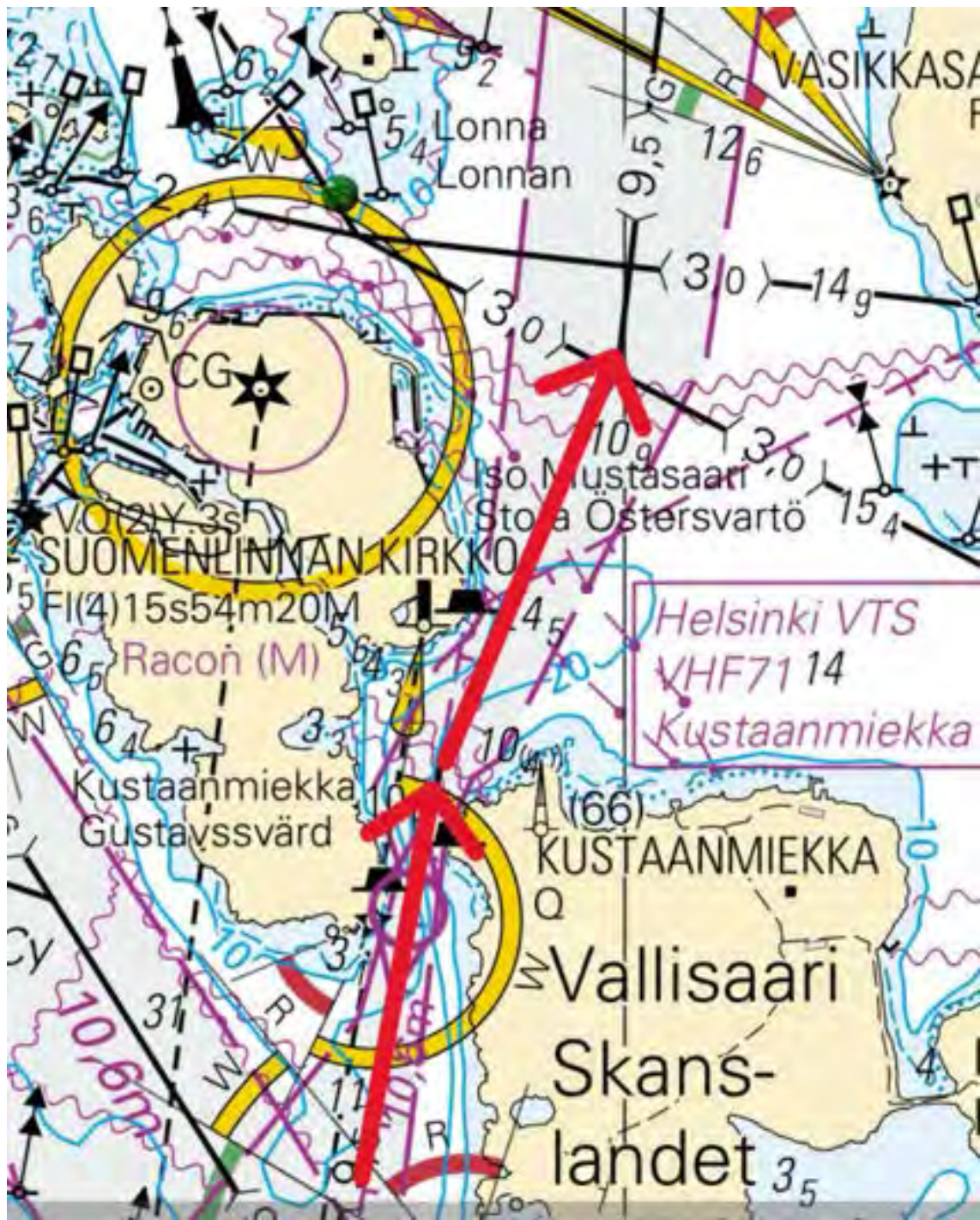
Rescue Center Helsinki ch 16
Tel. +358294100



Harmaja Lighthouse



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Entering Kustaanmiekka Strait

15 min notice VTS ch 71 before entering.
Helsinki VTS reports for other traffic.

No meeting or overtaking.

After Kustaanmiekka lots of water bus and
pleasure craft traffic.

Kustaanmiekka Strait





Entering South harbour

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Turn to heading 298° after Lonna island 9,3m fairway towards South harbour between Katajanokka and Valkosaari.

Take lines from tugs either before Valkosaari or in South harbour basin. Tugs working ch 08.

Have your casting line ready, tow line from the tug. Tugs Rodney and Kalle.

Service hours South harbour 3.7 8.00-22.00, 4.7 8.00-12.00.

LOs at your service from 3.7.

The Lonna North mark





Berthing plan South harbour



Entering North harbour

After Lonna Island continue heading 320° between Katajanokka and Hylkysaari. After Icebreakers turn 270° . Follow me boats available, call ch 15.

Service hours 2.-3.7 8.00-22.00
and 4.7. 8.00-12.00

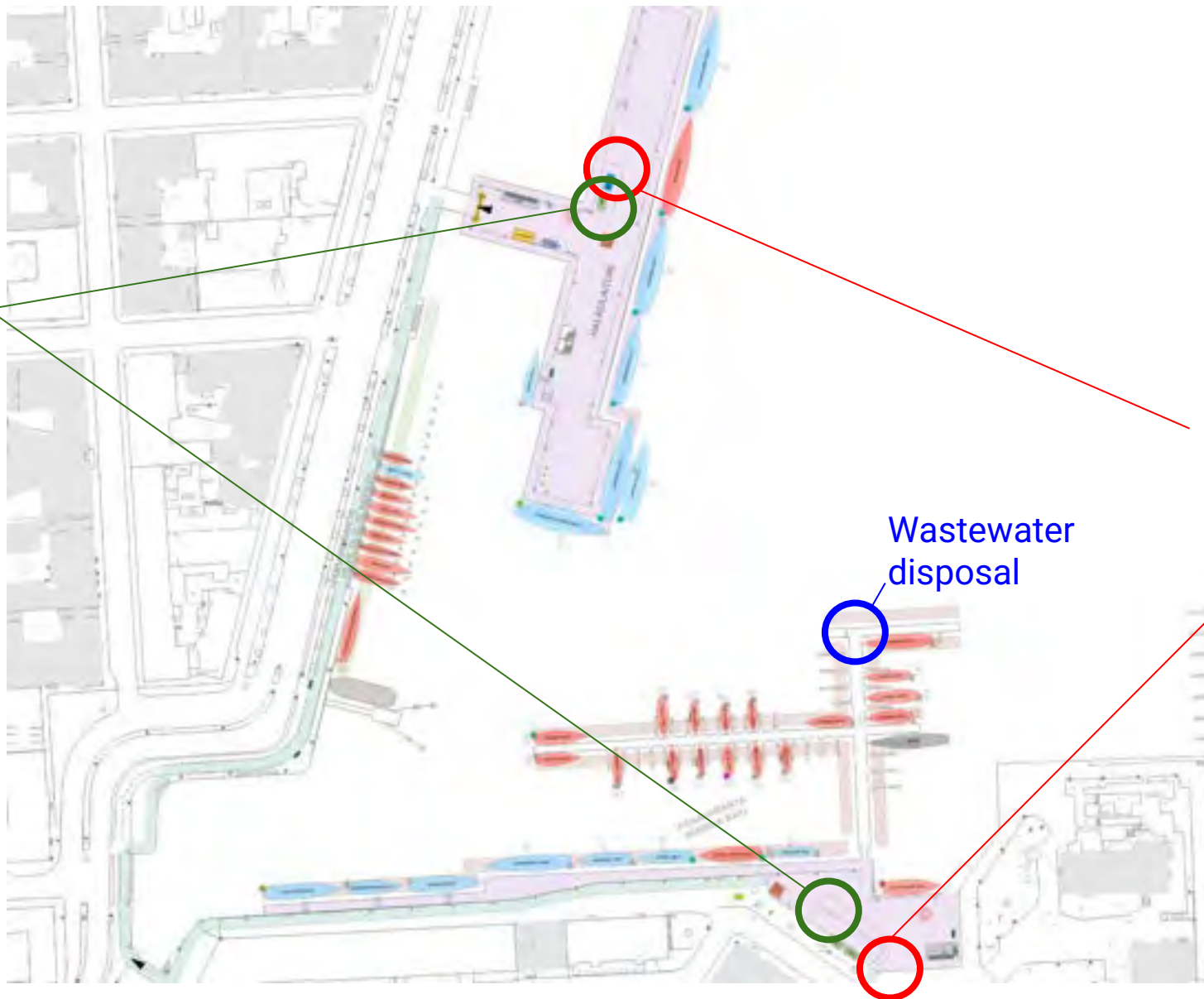
LOs at your service from 3.7.

Limited showers 2.7 before noon

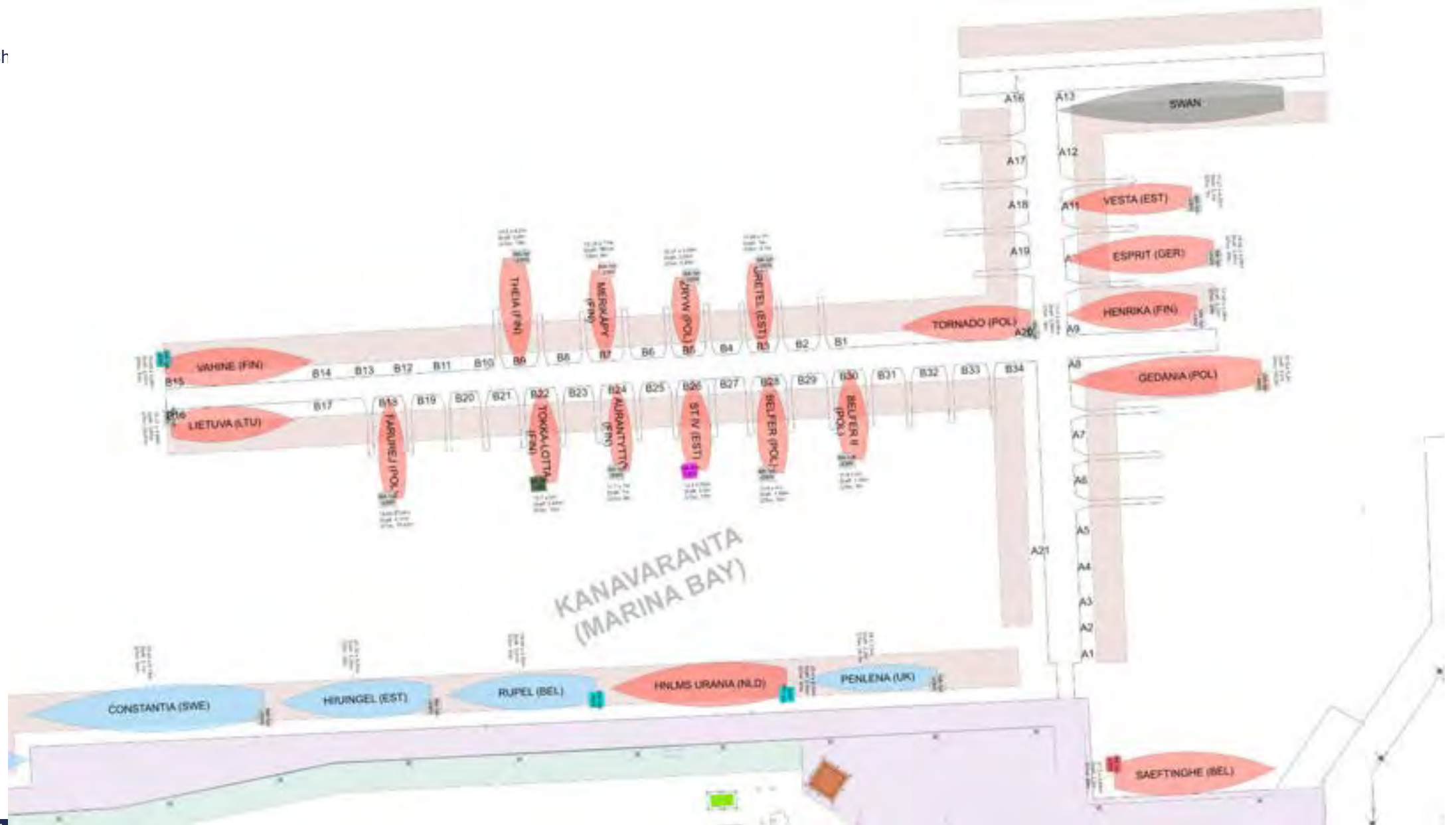
Crew toilets
and showers

(more toilets
behind of
Marina Bay
building in
containers!)

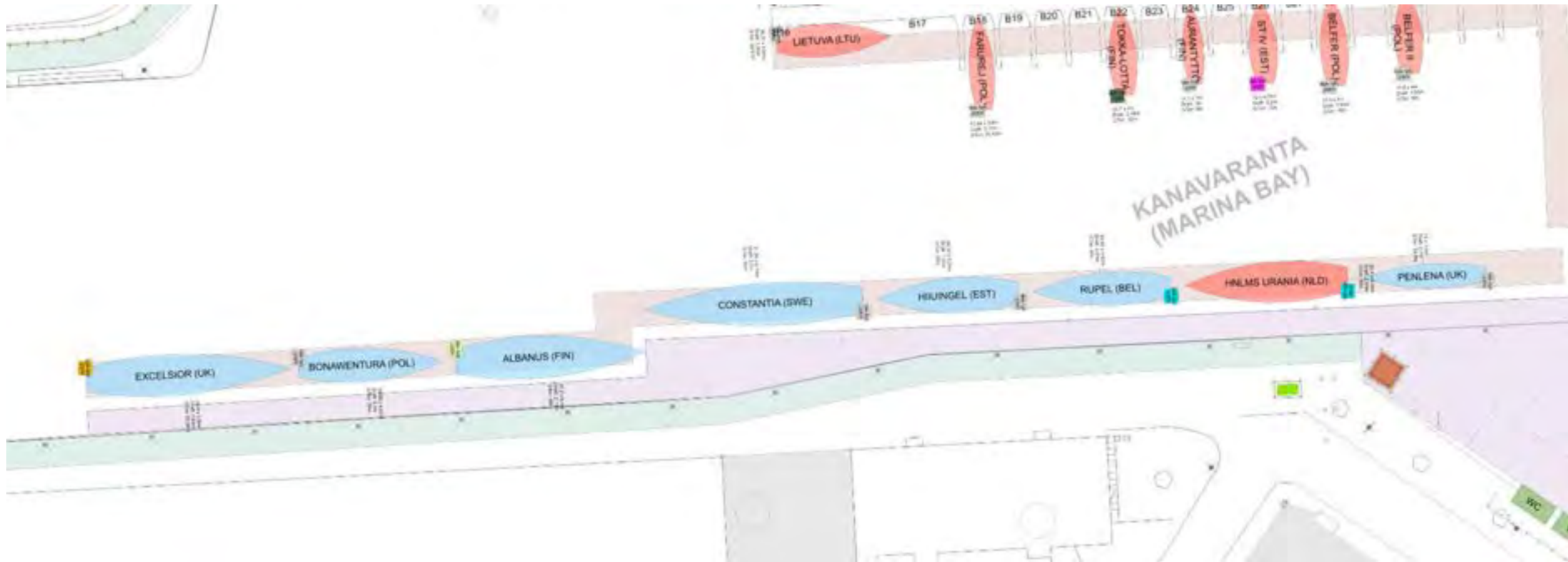
Please
remember
showers of
Crew
Centre!



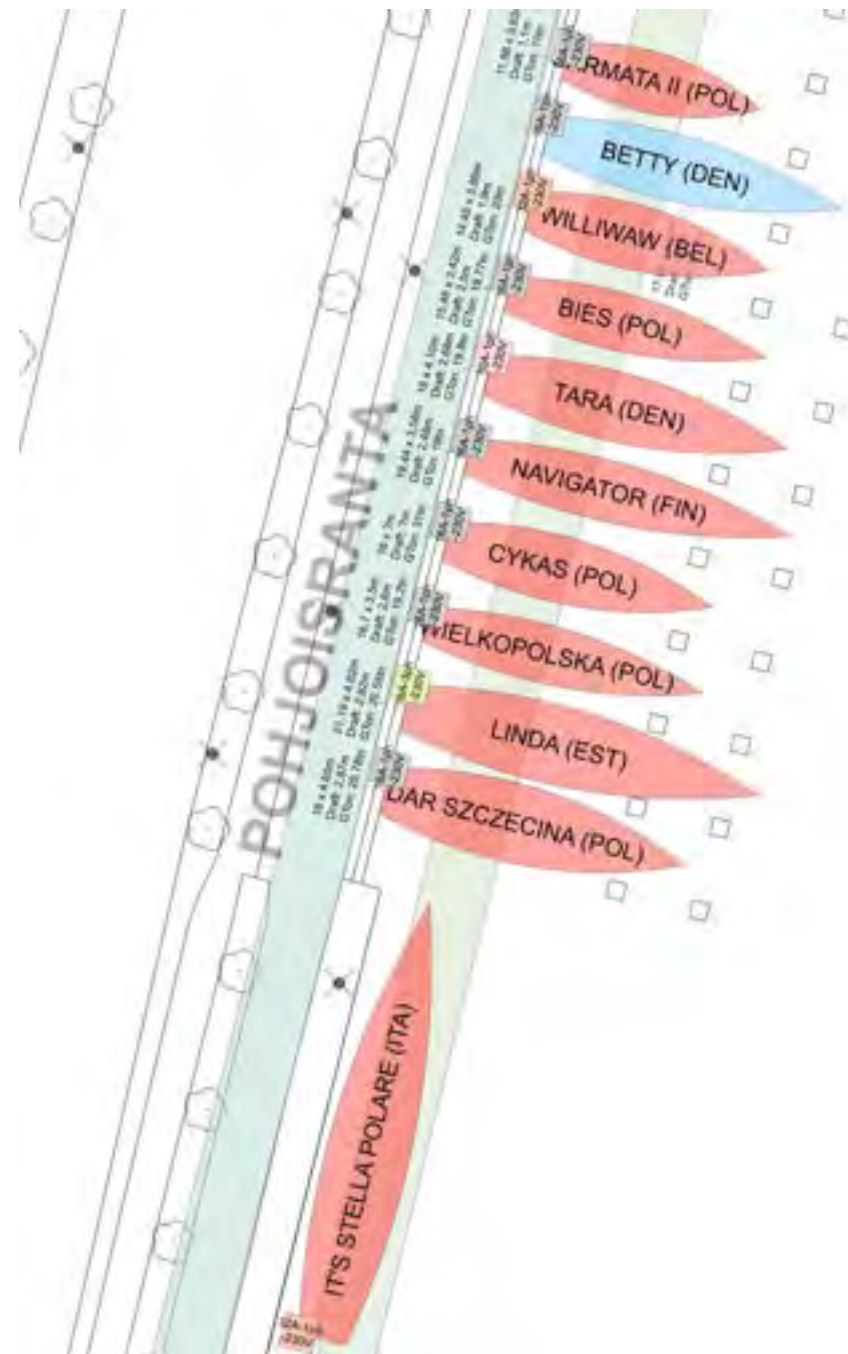
Berthing plan North harbour



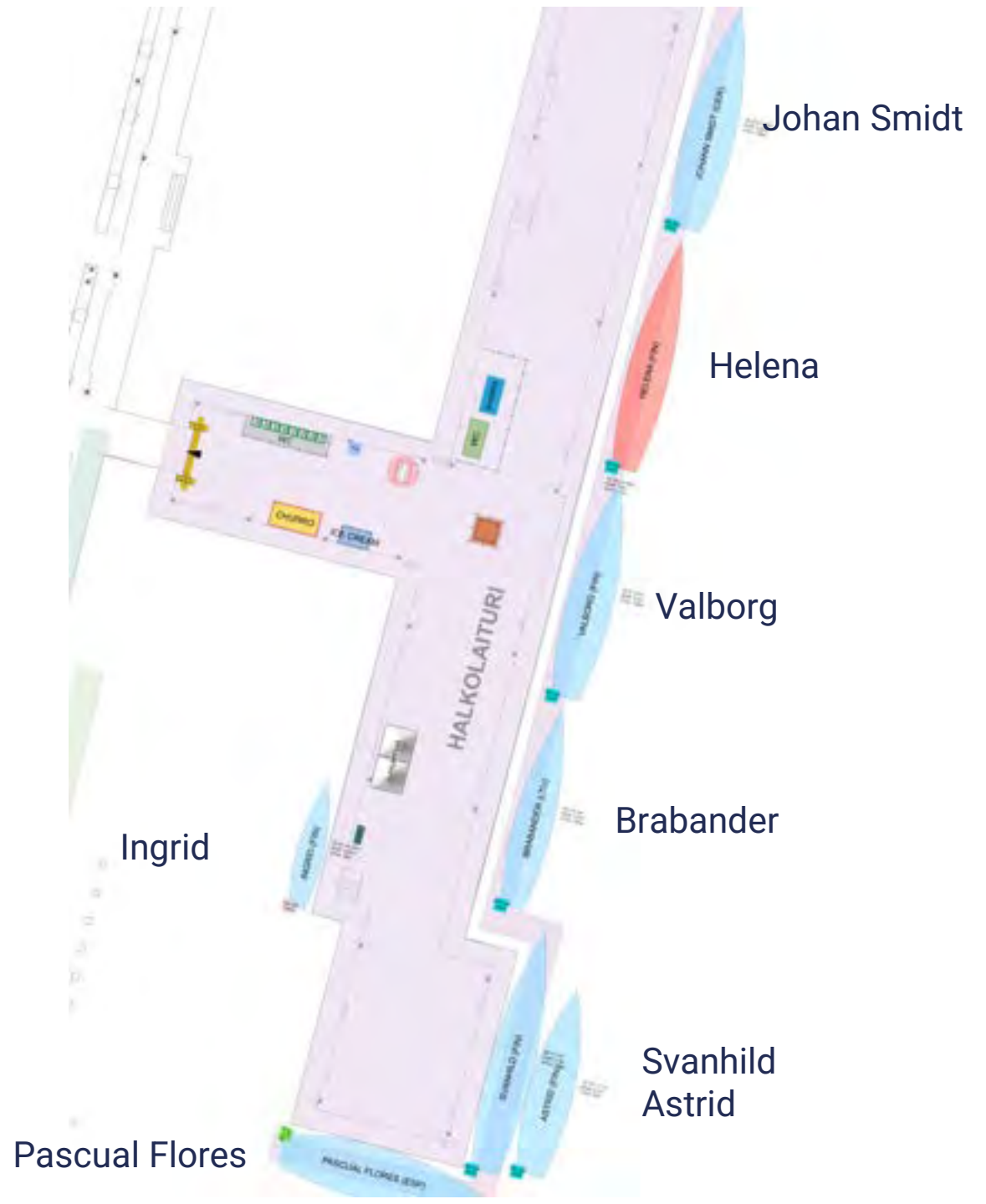
Kanavaranta



Pohjoisranta



Halkolaituri





Waste and recycling

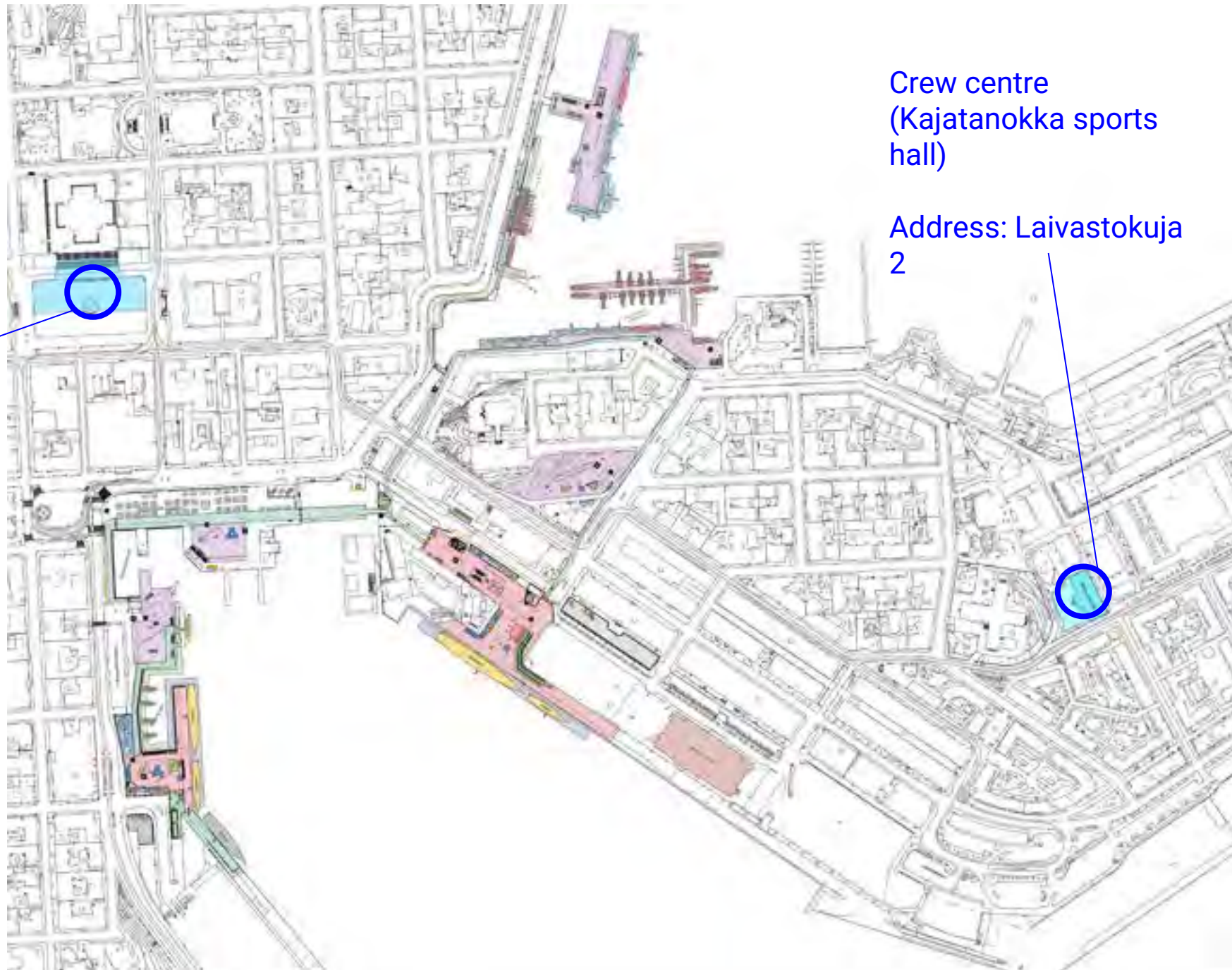
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- Remember waste sorting according to instructions in the Captains manual!
- Waste types collected are:
 - Mixed waste
 - Bio waste
 - Paper
 - Glass
 - Cardboard & carton
 - LPDE plastic
 - Consumer plastic
 - Food oil
 - Paint, battery, aerosol and other hazardous wasteNote! All hazardous waste shall be reported 4.7. at latest to the LO!
- Note! Vessels above 400 gross tonnage on berths EPL and EKL, are obligated to make an advance waste notice to Port of Helsinki and order waste collection 24 hours before arrival.

Crew centre

Crew parade muster

Senaatintori square



Crew centre
(Kajatanokka sports
hall)

Address: Laivastokuja
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Waste water disposal

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Note! It is prohibited to discharge any kinds of waste, waste water, untreated or treated sewage or any other substances from ships into the sea.

Waste water emptying happens in Helsinki at arrival and before departure

All vessels having 38-50 mm deck filler for wastewater shall stop first on outer pier of Guest harbour Marina Bay for emptying.

Others continue to their own berthing places. Halkolaituri has its own wastewater system and others will be emptied by tank truck.

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Crew program, good to know

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Crew program registration open Thursday 4.7. at 09:00-16:00

Thursday

11:55 - 12:01 Opening Ceremony

Friday 5.7.

09:00 Crew Games

- Tug-Of-War Tournament
- **Teams of 8 (only 20 teams can enter)**

15:30 Crew Parade Muster

- Senate square, close to event area
- Group picture of all crews at the Helsinki Cathedral steps

16:00 Crew Parade

- max height of staffs, banderolles or other items MAX 2.5 m from street because of the hot 600V tram wires above.
- Crew with best theme about "Save The Baltic Sea" during the parade will be rewarded at the Prize Giving Ceremony

17:00 Prize Giving Ceremony

19:30 Crew Party

No drone zone

It is strictly prohibited to fly drones during the event opening hours and above the public. Measures of action will be taken towards drones. Please notice that the event area is just next to Presidential palace and government center of Helsinki which prohibits all flying above it. All of South harbour event area is a no drone zone. Also South harbour water area.

More info <https://droneinfo.fi/en/droneinfo-front-page>

<https://www.portofhelsinki.fi/en/about-us/port-of-helsinki/whats-new/drone-flying-restricted-in-the-port-of-helsinkis-areas/>

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Opening Ceremony

4.7. Thursday

At 11.55 the Helsinki Cathedral will sound its bells to welcome the Tall Ships Races Fleet. Ringing of the Cathedral bells will end sharply at 12:00.

Upon that moment, all the Tall Ships vessels will sound their bells, horns and whistles for exactly 30 seconds to greet the new host port.

The ships are responding exactly at 12:00 GPS local time for 30 seconds.

11.50 open VHF ch 06

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Services for vessels

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Fuel order to LO 4.7 by 13.00. Delivery by small tanker on 5.7 morning.

Other services via LO.

List of different service providers in the Captains' manual.

You can make arrangements for food supplies for the vessel through our partner's good online store, <https://www.k-ruoka.fi/> which will be delivered to the harbour the next morning.

The order must be placed by 12:00 PM the day before. If you want to order larger quantities (over 50 pieces per product), the online order must be placed at least 72 hours before delivery. We also wish an advanced notice from the vessels before departure from Klaipėda. Further information from harbourmaster and LOs at arrival.

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Carbon footprint calculation

Host port Helsinki is working towards carbon neutrality and reduction.

The carbon footprint of the event is calculated.

All event operators are required to report the necessary information for the calculations.

The LOs will distribute forms for reporting the travel information of changing crew members (travels to and from Helsinki).

FAIR WINDS!



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RACE START



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- START AREA :
55° 47' N 020° 55,5' E
- START TIMES :
1300 UTC CLASS A
1330 UTC CLASS B
1345 UTC CLASS C/D



RACE START VESSEL



RACE START VESSEL



RACE START

RULE 17 – Start Line configuration - STARBOARD tack



NO ENTRY
into **START BOX**
until **20 minutes**
before your
Class start

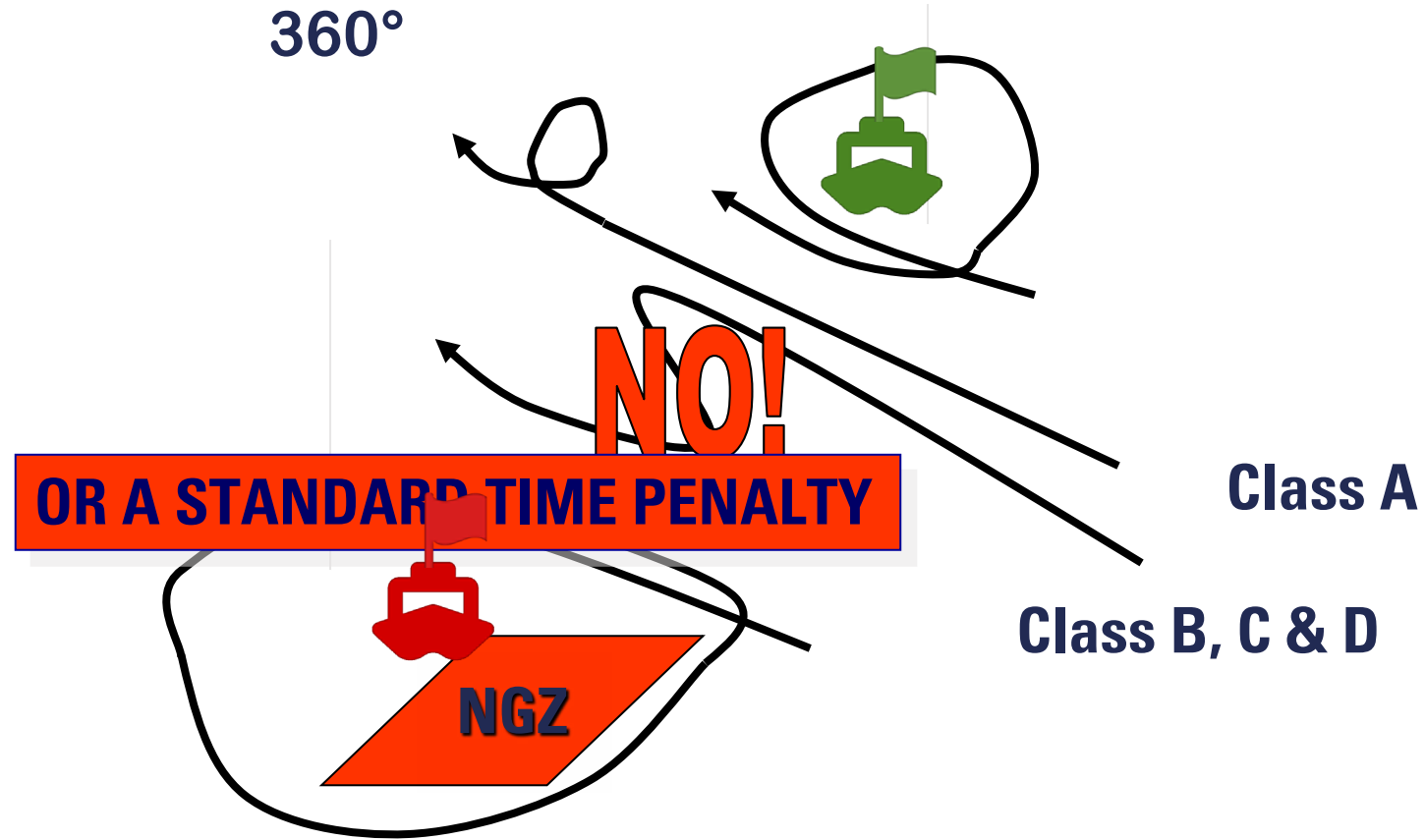
RACE START BASICS:

- Downwind start
- VHF 77
- Don't be early!
- CLASS A – 20 MIN START GATE
- CLASS A – RECORD YOUR INDIVIDUAL START TIME
- **PLEASE STAY AWAY FROM THE START BOX UNTIL 20 MINS BEFORE START SIGNAL FOR THEIR CLASS**
- **ENGINE MUST NOT BE USED LESS THAN 20 MINS BEFORE THE START (UNLESS MORE THAN 1NM FROM THE START LINE)**

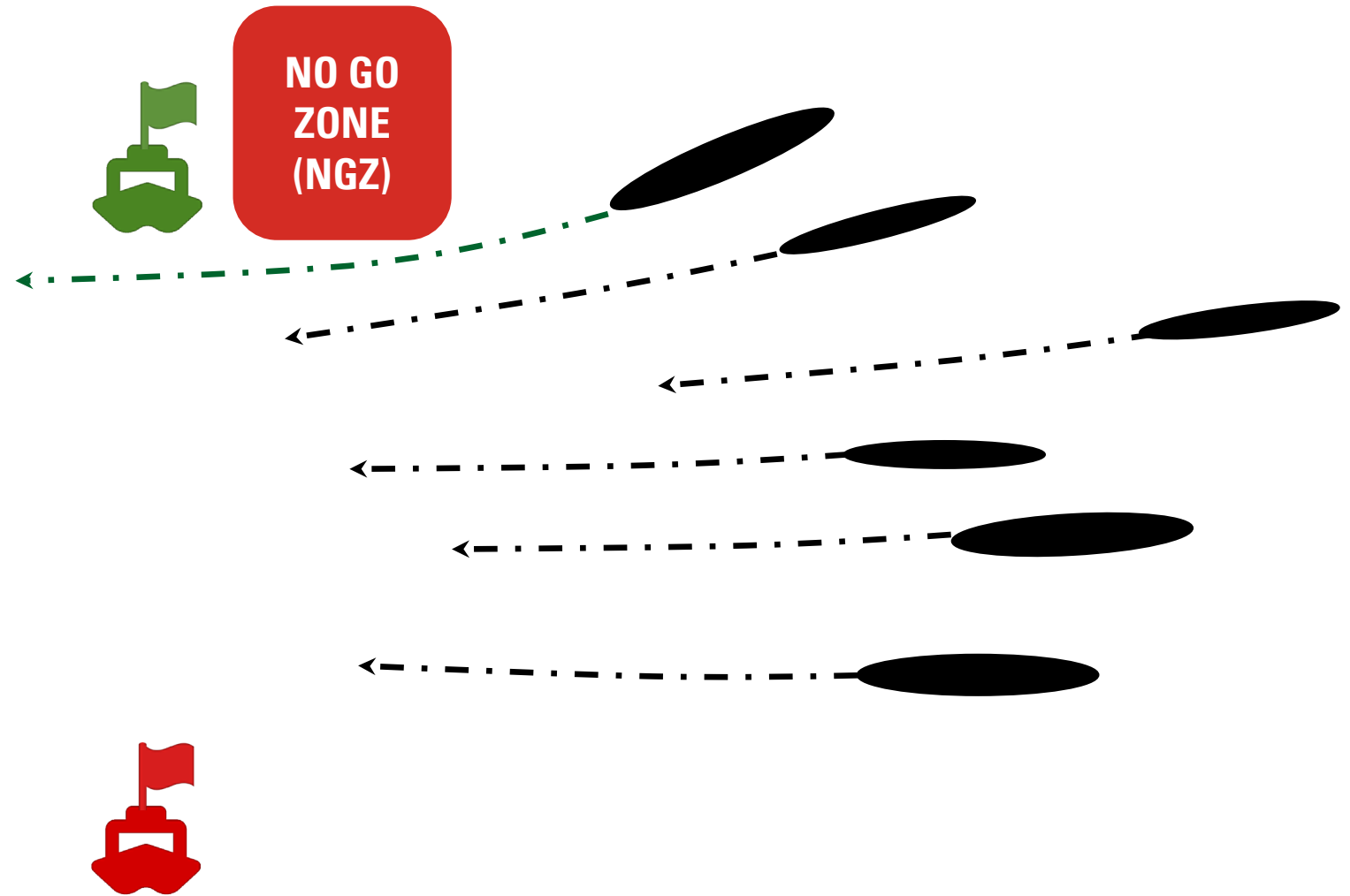


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Rule 19 – Recalls & Crossing the Start Line early

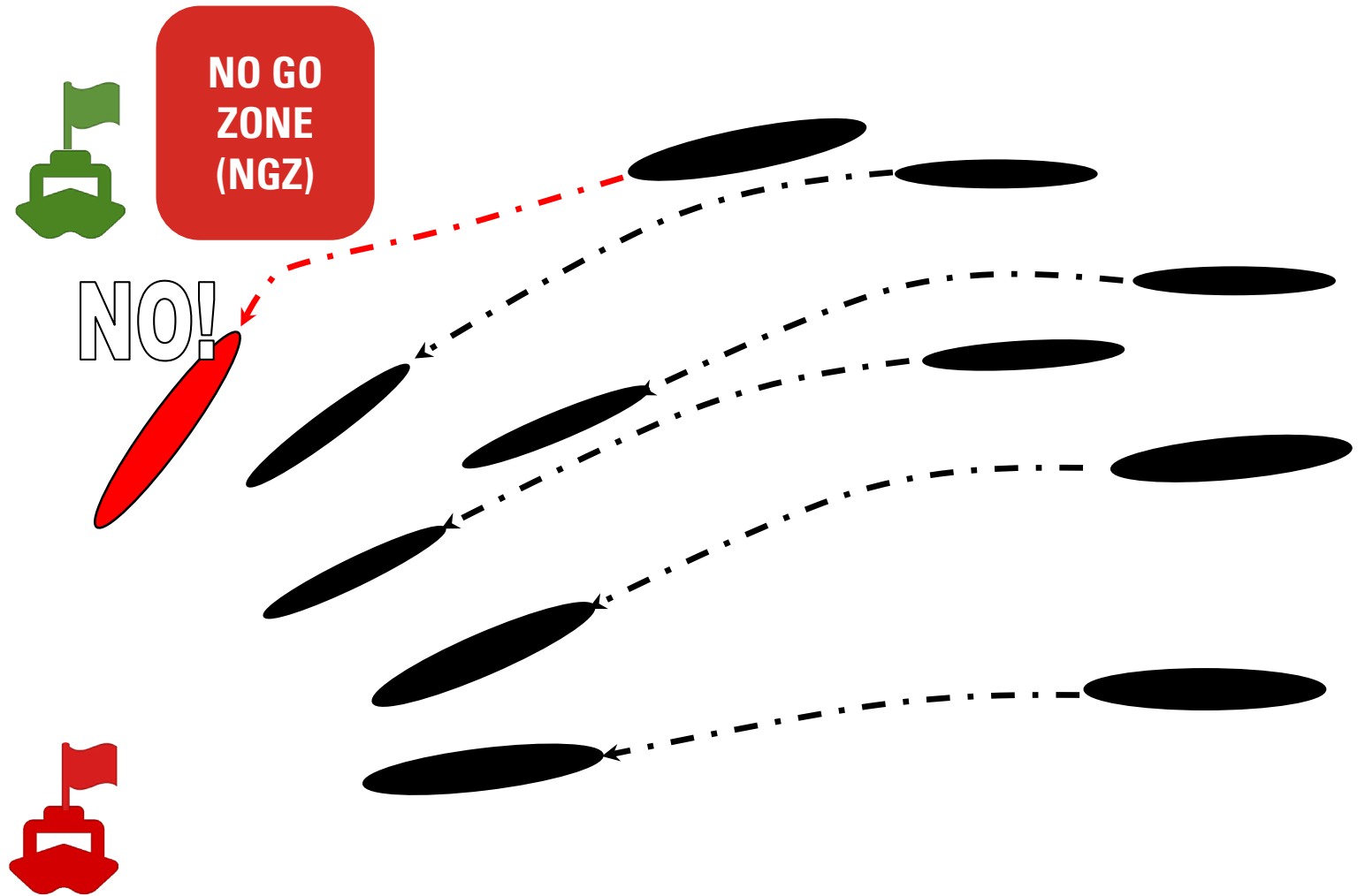


RACE START



Rule 19 – Recalls & Crossing the Start Line early

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RACE COURSE



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- STARTING AREA:

55° 47' N 020° 55,5' E

- WP1:

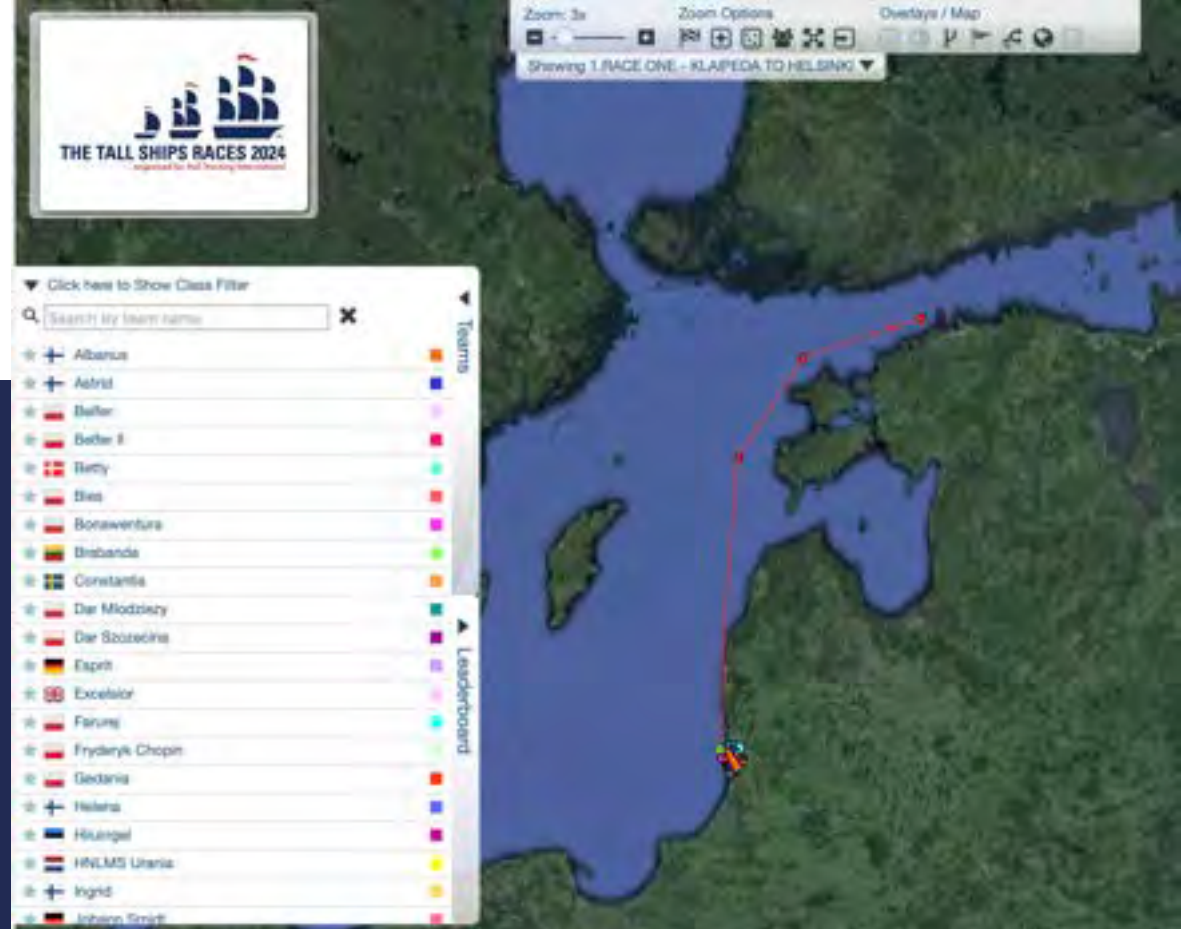
58°23'N 021°13,0' E - TO STARBOARD

- WP2:

59° 13' N 022° 16,0' E TO STARBOARD

- FINISH LINE:

315° from Suurupi Rear Lighthouse (59° 28'N 024° 23'E)
distance 5 to 10nm



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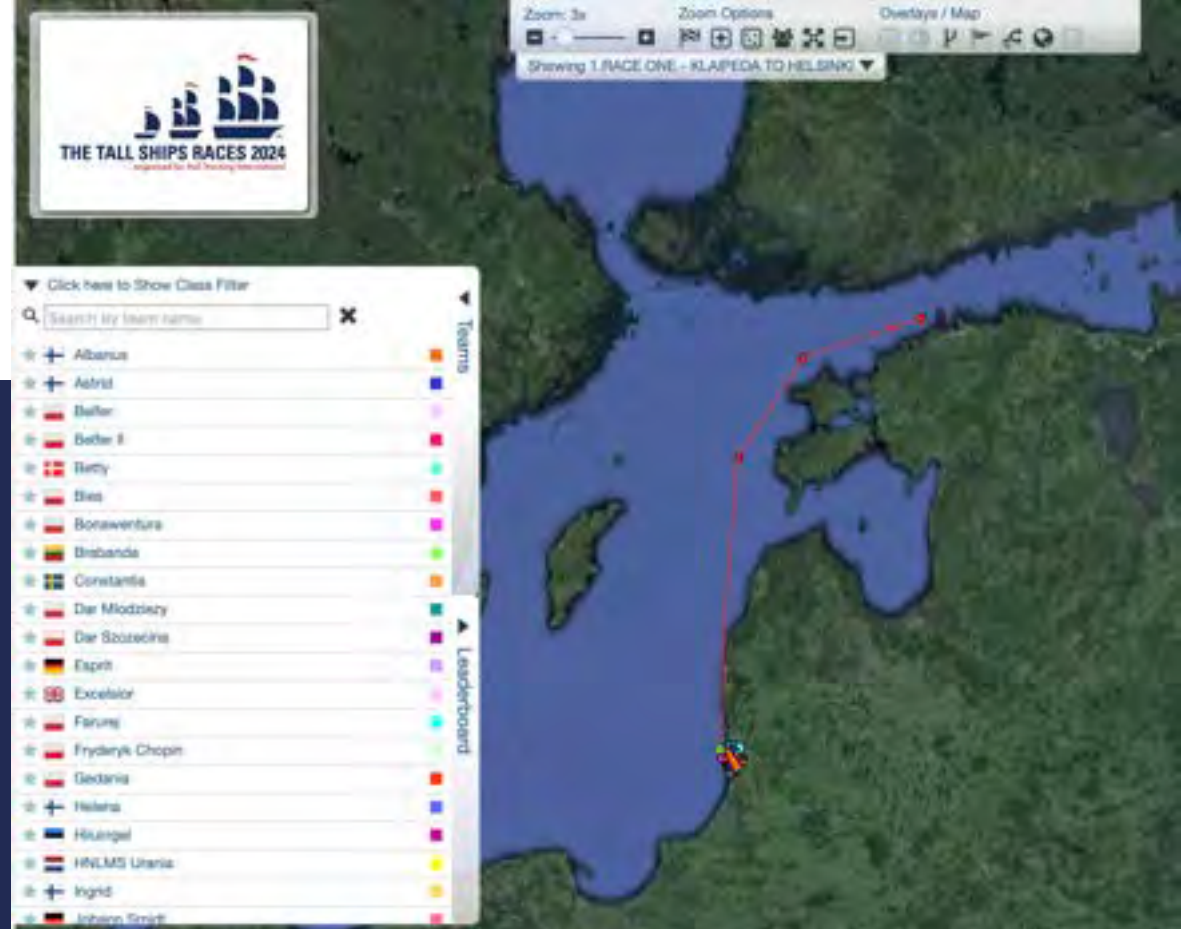
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- TIME LIMIT

CLASS A	2300 UTC 3 July
CLASS B	2330 UTC 3 July
CLASS C/D	2345 UTC 3 July

- STANDARD TIME PENALTY

2 Hours 40 Mins



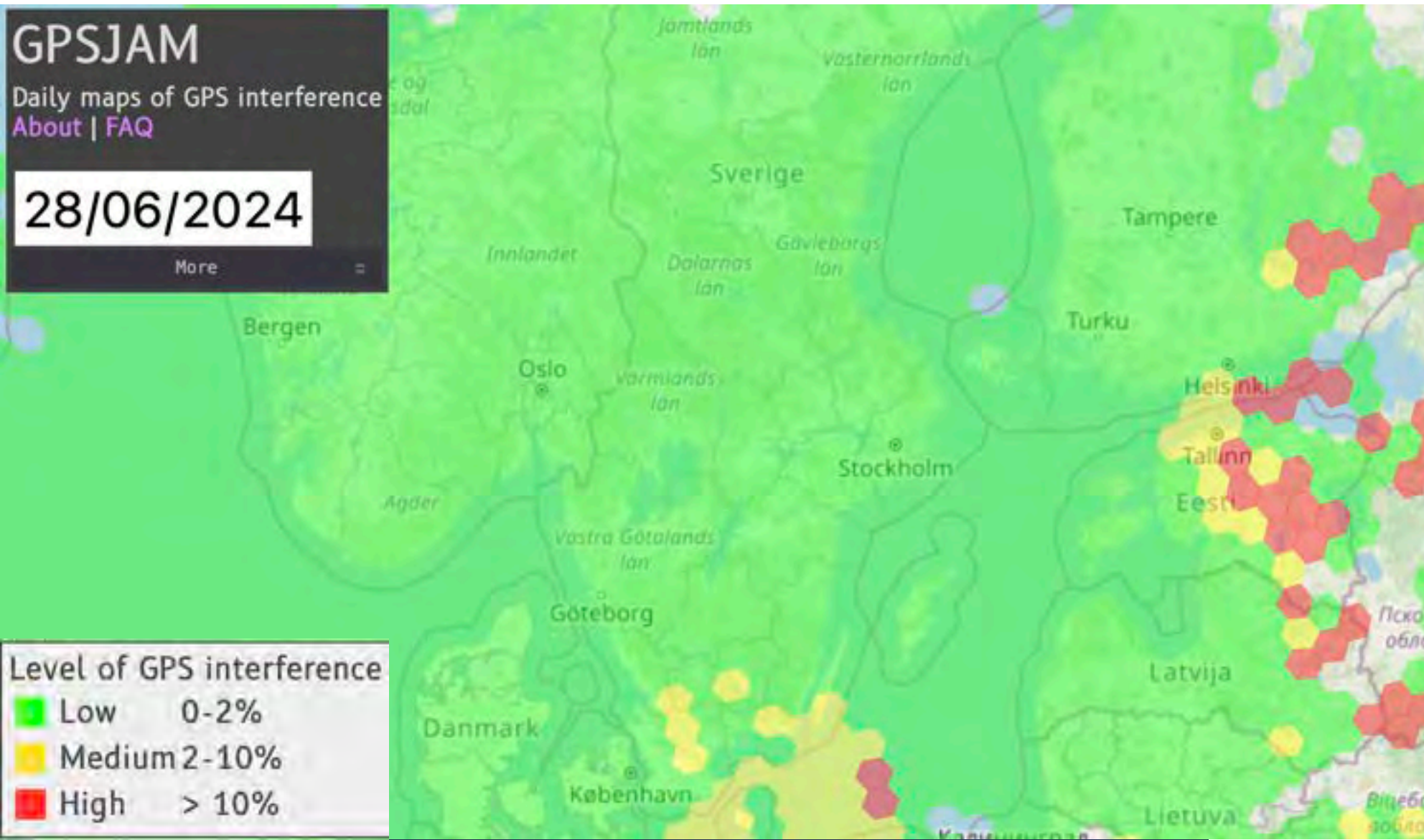
GPS INTERFERENCE

- **BE AWARE OF GPS INTERFERENCES**
- **KEEP WATCH**
- **BE READY FOR TRADITIONAL NAVIGATION**
- **REPORT TO RACE CONTROL**



GPS INTERFERENCE

<https://gpsjam.org>



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RACE COMMUNICATIONS

Mal Riley

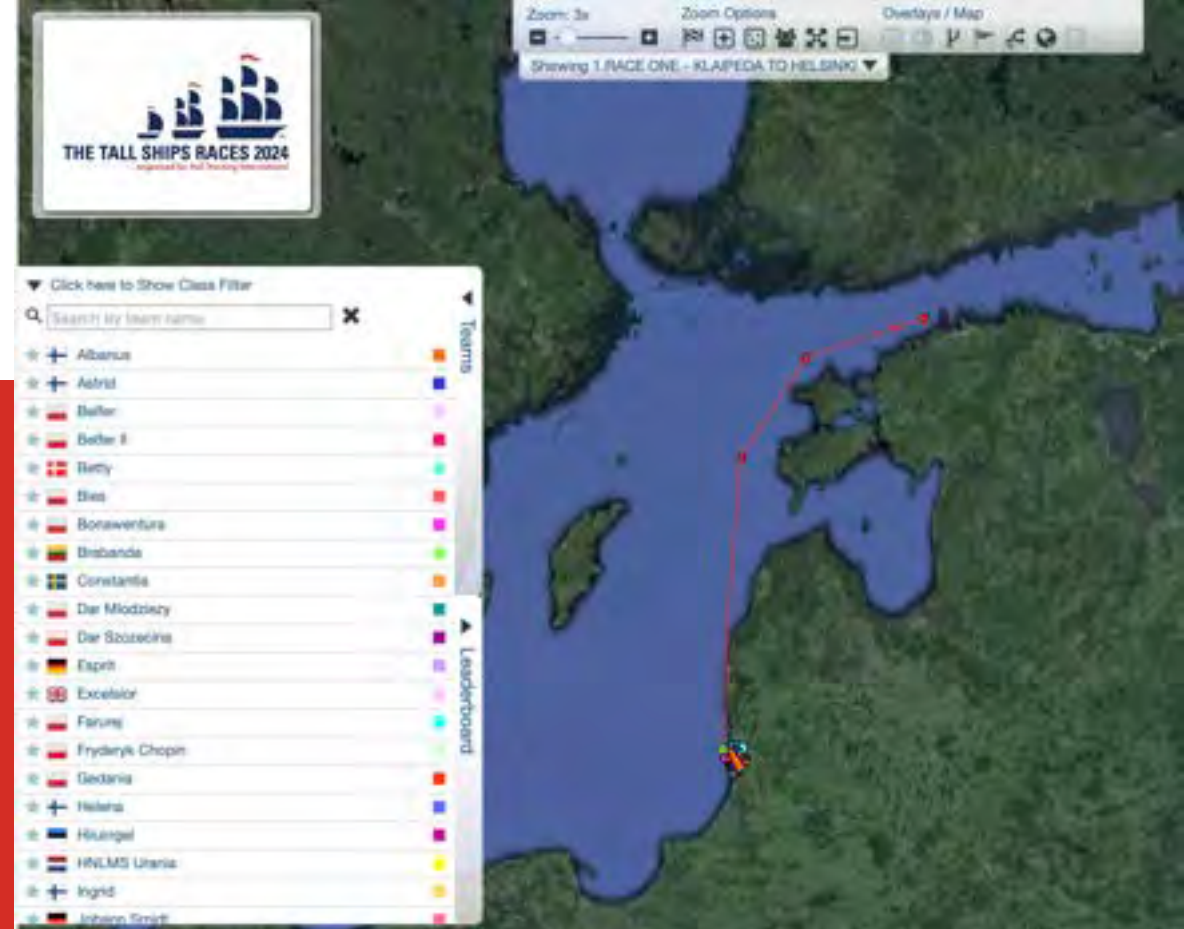


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Your YB tracker will transmit every 60 minutes.

Additionally within 2nm of the Starting Area, WP1, WP2 and Finish Line YB tracker will transmit every 10 minutes.



HOW TO FOLLOW:

<https://sailtraininginternational.org/yb-tracking/>



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RACE COMMUNICATIONS

COMMS OFFICERS: Malcom RILEY & Ian LERNER

CALL SIGN **'RACE CONTROL'**

email: commsofficer1@mailasail.com

Primary Working Frequency **VHF CH77**

Secondary Working Frequency **HF 4146**

Iridium **(CALL ONLY, NO TEXT MESSAGE) - +88 167 777 3281**

Race Director **(TEXT MESSAGE & CALLS) - + 48 501 025 799**



RACE COMMUNICATIONS

2 Schedules per day

Sat communications	0800 and 1700 UTC
Voice communications	0815 and 1715 UTC (VHF CH 77)
First Regular Comms Schedule	0815 UTC 1 July (Monday)



RACE COMMUNICATIONS

The communications officer will call each vessel as listed in the schedule.

Pass your Lat and Long when called: e.g: 55 27 08 26 (just degrees & minutes)

The communications officer will pass back your race placings (Class and Overall)

Any relevant weather information will be broadcast at the end of the schedule , along with any other race related information.

Please maintain **Radio Silence** during the schedules.



RACE COMMUNICATIONS

COMMS VESSEL – DAR MŁODZIEŻY

STBY COMMS VESSEL - URANIA

Any vessel not able to contact 'Race Control' by Radio can use any of the alternative methods:

- SMS to Race Director: +48 501 025 799
- Relay through another vessel (competing or commercial)
- Any other method



RACE COMMUNICATIONS

FINISHING THE RACE:

Pass your Finish Time **(to the nearest second)**, future intentions, retirements and ETA for HELSINKI to RACE CONTROL

Remain on communications schedule until stood down by RACE CONTROL

THIS INCLUDES VESSELS THAT HAVE RETIRED AND VESSELS THAT HAVE FINISHED



RACE COMMUNICATIONS

FINISHING AT SEA:

The Race Committee monitors the fleet's progress and, if the fleet is expected to be late into HELSINKI, the RACE TIME LIMIT will be changed. The details to be broadcasted by RACE CONTROL.

At the new TIME LIMIT for your class, note your position and report it to RACE CONTROL.

Please do not retire!



RACE COMMUNICATIONS

If ONE Report Missed

- *Noted and STP may be awarded*

If TWO Reports Missed

- *Concerned and another STP may be awarded*

If THREE Reports Missed

- *another STP may be awarded and may be DSQ*

MRCC may be informed and SAR considered

NO REPORTS!



WIN A VOYAGE DURING THE TALL SHIPS RACES 2025

Sail Training International is giving all trainees the opportunity to win a voyage during The Tall Ships Races 2025

To be in with a chance of winning, we're asking trainees to send us a video capturing their experiences during the 2024 races

Between 30 seconds and 2 minutes long

Doesn't need to be professionally edited

The closing date for submissions is 15th August 2024

