



ROYAL NORTHERN & CLYDE YACHT CLUB

Patron: HRH The Princess Royal

THE INTERNATIONAL 8 METRE WORLD CUP

&

THE NEPTUNE TROPHY

DEED OF GIFT AND LOAN AGREEMENT

1. Introduction

The International 8 Metre World Cup was originally donated by Eugene van Vooris to the Royal Northern Yacht Club (now the Royal Northern & Clyde Yacht Club) (RNCYC). It is the property of RNCYC and is a Challenge Cup and is competed for from time to time as seen as practical by the International Eight Metre Association (IEMA) in accordance with the current Rules of the Cup which are set out on the 8mr.org website.

The Neptune Trophy, which evolved from the Coupe Cartier, was presented to the Royal Northern Yacht Club (now RNCYC) on June 21, 1890 by James Coates Jr. as prize for large handicap yachts during Clyde Week. After 1945, it became known as the 8-Metre Points Trophy, raced for at the Royal Northern Regatta during Clyde Week. Thereafter, it became a Challenge Cup to be competed for at the IEMA World Cup events by International 8-Metre yachts with a valid certificate of rating, who complied with the Sira Cup Rules and who also complied with the additional rules and restrictions set out in the current Neptune Trophy Rules which are set out on the 8mr.org website.

2. The International 8 Metre World Cup Loan Agreement

The RNCYC values its historical and current connection to IEMA and the 8-Metre Class and values that this Cup is competed for internationally by the many nations who have 8 Metre Fleets. It recognises the benefits to RNCYC that the Cup is competed for internationally. This Agreement is to confirm that the International 8 Metre World Cup shall remain on permanent rent-free loan to IEMA by RNCYC in accordance with current Rules of the Cup as set out on the 8mr.org website. Whilst on permanent loan, the property of the Cup shall remain with RNCYC.

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3. Deed of Gift of The Neptune Trophy

In view of its historical and current connection to IEMA and the 8-Metre Class, and the administrative burden of dealing with The Neptune Trophy Rules, the RNCYC hereby agrees to transfer the ownership and title of The Neptune Trophy to IEMA who will henceforth continue to administer the Neptune Trophy in accordance The Neptune Trophy Rules. Responsibility for setting The Neptune Trophy Rules shall in future be the IEMA Executive Committee who will seek to honour the history of the Trophy, including the invitation to the RNCYC to nominate a juror for any event involving the Neptune Trophy. This Deed of Gift shall supersede the Deed of Gift dated March 3, 2003.

Dated 25 June 2026



Linda Pender

**Commodore
Royal Northern & Clyde Yacht Club**

Acknowledged and Agreed



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**President
International Eight Metre Association**

Dated 26 June 2026