INTERNATIONAL <u>14</u> CLASS TEAM RACING 22 - 25 August 2003 1530 Kemi Wakayama, Japan

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Organizing Authority

The Organizing Authority is Japan Sailing Federation and the Japan International 14 Class Association.

2. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. When there is a conflict between the NOR and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.

3. Advertising

In accordance with RRS Appendix I, the regatta is designated Category C. Competitors may be required to display advertising of the event sponsor.

4. Eligibility and Entry

4.1. Competitors shall comply with RRS Appendix 2, Regulation 19.2, and with the membership requirements of their respective national International 14 Class association.

4.2. All competitors shall be residents of the country on whose team they are sailing, except that the Organizing Authority at its discretion may vary this requirement upon request, which may be made on the Entry Form.

4.3. Entry is open to 4 boat teams of International 14s representing any country. Each country may enter one team. Each country may enter a second team but the Organizing Authority reserves the right to refuse entry of a second team in order to keep numbers of teams within limits, at its discretion. In the event that entries have to be refused consideration will be given to the size of the active International 14 fleet in the countries entering second teams.

4.4. The entry fee is JPY 40,000. per team and is non-refundable unless the entry is refused. Entries will close on July 31 by which time completed Entry Forms must have been received at the address thereon. The entry fee shall be paid by Bank remittance or by credit card.

5. Insurance

Each boat shall carry third party liability insurance to a minimum of JPY 10,000,000. per incident and provide proof thereof with the Entry Form.

6. Registration

6.1. Registration and measurement will take place on 22nd of August.

6.2. At registration each team shall confirm eight competitors and four boats, Two reserve competitors and 1 reserve boat may be designated at the same time.

7. Measurement

7.1. Measurement will take place on 22nd of August.

7.2. Each boat shall be presented for measurement by the two members of her crew, together with the original measurement certificate, not later than 1700 hours on 22nd of August.

8. Sail numbers and identification

8.1. Numbers will not be required on headsails or spinnakers (Alters RRS 77 and RRS Appendix G 1.1 (a) (b) and (c).

8.2. A boat chartered or borrowed for the regatta may apply, at the time of entry, for a sail number to be used which is different to that stated on the measurement certificate (alters Class rule 17, RRS 77 and G 1.1(c). All sails shall, however, be entered on the boat's measurement certificate.

9. Event format

9.1. There will be two Round Robins followed by semifinal and finals.

9.2. The Organizing Authority may, at its discretion, vary the format including extending it, or terminating any rounds or races, depending on the time available or weather conditions, either actual or forecast.

10. Racing area The racing area will be in Kii-Suidou Wakanoura bay.

11. International jury and umpiring

11.1. Depending on the number of teams entered, the Organizing Authority will attempt to provide umpiring in accordance with Appendix D 2.2 or observers in accordance with Appendix D 2.3

11.2. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix M. In accordance with RRS 70.4, there will be no right of appeal from Jury decisions.

12. Sailing Instructions

12.1. Provisional Sailing Instructions may be available on the Event web site prior to the regatta.

12.2. Final Sailing Instructions will be issued to each competitor on completion of registration.

12.3. The Sailing Instructions may contain changes to the Racing Rules.

13. Prizes TBD by Class

14. Liability

Organizing Authority, their Officers, Members and Employees bear no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to yachts or their personnel in any way or from any cause during or related to the International 14 Class World Championships 2003. Attention is drawn to RRS 4, 'Decision to Race', which states "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

21st March, 2003