

# NOTICE OF RACE 2023 A-CLASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



# **TOULON - FRANCE** 7 to 15 September 2023

The Organizing Authority is the Yacht club of TOULON in conjunction with the International A-Class catamaran Association (IACA).

Following the aggression in Ukraine, the FFVoile decided on March 2, 2022 not to authorize the participation of Russian and Belarusian competitors in competitions throughout France.

(DP) denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

(NP) denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).



# 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Class and Championship Rules of the International A Division Catamaran Association (IACA) will apply for the World Championships.
- 1.3 The FFV National Authority prescriptions will apply.

# 2. ADVERTISING [DP]

Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

• 2.1 Competitor advertising shall comply with World Sailing Advertising Code (Regulation 20).

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

In accordance with RRS76.1, the organizers will reject or cancel the entry of any competitor of Russian or Belarusian nationality or displaying these nationalities and the participation of any boats whose owner or manager is a Russian or Belarusian individual or entity.



- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
- 3.2 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International A Class Catamaran Association either through their respective country Association membership or individual membership.
- 3.3 Boats may compete in either the Open or the Classic Discipline.
- 3.4 Entries should be received by the Organizing Authority no later than 28th August 2023 and will only be accepted, at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 3.5 A Parent/Guardian Consent and Supervision Form must be completed and signed by the Parent or Guardian of any competitor under the age of 18 on the first day of each event and handed in at registration. Forms may be downloaded from event pages as per the links below.
- 3.6 Competitors can enter by visiting : <u>https://aclassworld2023-toulon.com</u>
- 3.7 The official bulletin board will be dematerialized and available on the site. There will be no physical posting. All the convocations will be made by electronic way. All the procedures will be done in a dematerialized way with the exception, among others, of the instruction of the protests and the measurements of the boats.



#### 4. FEES

World Championships - Entry Fee 270€ (until 15th July 2023), Late entry Fee 320€, Support Boat Fee : 100€

#### **5. FORMAT OF RACING**

The Open fleet and the Classic Discipline fleet will race in separate fleets.

#### 6. SCHEDULE

• 6.1

Date	From	То		
07/09/2023	9H00	17H00	Registration	
08/09/2023	9H00	10H00	Registration	
08/09/2023	10H30		Competitors Briefing	
08/09/2023	12H30	16H30	Practice Races	
08/09/2023	17H00		Opening Ceremony	
09 to 15/09/2023	10H30		Races	
XX/09/2023	19H30		Gala dinner	
15/09/2023	17H30		Closing Ceremony	



• 6.2 Number of races

Disciplin e	Minimum races to valid	Maximum races per day	Maximum races
Classic	5	3	12
Open	5	3	12

• 6.3 On last racing day scheduled, no warning signal will be made after **4H30PM**.

# 7. MEASUREMENT [DP]

- 7.1 Measurement and equipment checks may be made at any time during the regatta.
- 7.2 Equipment inspection will be conducted in accordance with the A-Class Catamaran Equipment Inspection Regulations. Sails, boats, and equipment must be measured before arriving at the Championship. All competitors at registration must produce valid and current measurement certificates for the hull, mast, and sail. Refer to <u>https://www.acat.org/node/9</u>.
- 7.3 The Equipment Inspection Regulations for the Championship will be published on the event website no later than July 1, 2023.
- 7.4 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Championship Technical Committee **appointed to event by the organizing authority under RRS 89.2(c)**.



### **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

• 8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website by September 1, 2023.

#### 9. VENUE

- 9.1 The 2023 A-Class Catamaran World Championship will be held at the Toulon Yacht Club, at beach of Mourillon-Anse Tabarly, 84000 TOULON, FRANCE
- 9.2 The racing will be on the waters of Toulon Bay, approximately 1-2 miles of the Yacht Club.
- 9.3 Berthing/Parking [DP] [NP] Boats, trailers and cars shall be kept in their assigned places.

#### **10. THE COURSES**

- 10.1 The courses to be sailed will be Windward/Leeward courses as detailed in the Sailing Instructions, in accordance with IACA Championship Rules, Appendix 4. The distance from start to Mark 1 will be at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.
- 10.2 Disciplines will race separate races on the same course area.



## **11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

• 11.1 RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

#### **12. SCORING**

- 12.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 12.2 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute the World Championship for each Discipline.
- 12.3 When 5 or more races have been completed, a competitor may discard their worst score; when 9 races have been completed, a competitor may discard their 2 worst scores.

# 13. SUPPORT BOATS [DP]

- 13.1 Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority on arrival and will be required to comply with all local safety regulations and the Event Support Boat Regulations. Like the competitors, team support boats/ coach boats shall complete on-site registration at the venue (the dates are the same).
- 13.2 If called upon, support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.



# **14. INTERNATIONAL JURY**

- 14.1 An International Jury will be appointed for the World Championship in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its' decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 14.2 An arbitration meeting may be conducted for protests lodged in accordance with RRS 60.1(a), which allege an infringement of a rule of RRS Part 2 or Part 4 or RRS 31. Such hearings will be held subsequent to the protest being lodged and prior to a protest hearing. Hearings will be conducted in accordance with RRS Appendix T.

#### 15. PRIZES

For the World Championship

- 15.1 Prizes for the World Championship will be awarded for the first 10 places overall in both the Open and Classic Discipline fleets.
- 15.2 The winner of each Discipline will be awarded the title "2023 World Champion" and will receive the perpetual trophy(ies).
- 15.3 The following prizes will also be awarded in each Discipline :
- -Junior Champion (under 25 years)
- -Woman Champion
- -Master Champion (ages 45 50)
- -Grand Master Champion (ages 51 55)
- -Great Grand Master Champion (56 years and over)



- 15.4 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 15.5 Age determinations are based as of September 10, 2023.

## **16. RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]**

• 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

## **17. INSURANCE**

- 17.1 Each participating boat shall have valid, third-party liability insurance with a minimum of at least €2,000,000 (or equivalent) per incident.
- 17.2 For competitors who do not have civil liability insurance up to €2,000,000, the French Sailing Federation (FFVoile) offers an extension of guarantee for the entire period of the championship with a contribution of €10. It must be subscribed no later than September 8 to allow the transmission of contracts. Civil liability insurance is available on the website at the time of registration or in annex to this NOR.



#### **18. RISK STATEMENT**

• 18.1 By signing an entry form, each competitor agrees and acknowledges the following :

a) That they are participating in this regatta at their own risk;

b) That the Organizing Authority, all sponsors, all race committee members, and volunteers, all officers and directors of Toulon Yacht Club, the IACA, and the AFCCA are not responsible for any damages, injuries or death which may result in conjunction with this regatta, onshore or afloat;before, during or after the regatta.

c) That they will put safety of themselves and other competitors above race results;

d) That they will accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent it is caused by their own actions or omissions; and,

e) Ensure their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in this regatta, and that they are physically fit to participate.

• 18.2 Wearing a safety helmet is mandatory for the Open. It is strongly recommended for the Classic Discipline.

#### **19. MEDIA CONTENT**

• 19.1 By signing an Entry Form, all competitors agree to and grant the Organizing Authority, the IACA, the AFCCA, and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to photograph and/or videotape participation in the regatta, or at the regatta facilities, and to the use of their name, likeness, and images, without compensation and without the competitor's prior approval.



# **EVENT CONTACT INFORMATION**

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#### FEDERATION FRANCAISE DE VOILE



#### PUBLIC LIABILITY (WITHOUT REPATRIATION COVER)

Foreign competitors participating having underwritten the public liability insurance for up to 8 days

This insurance covers the policyholder for financial consequences of the public liability, occurred because of : - physical damages,

- material damages,

- intangible damages CONSECUTIVE TO GUARANTEED PHYSICAL AND/OR MATERIAL DAMAGES, suffered by others, imputable to activities insured.

#### ACTIVITY

International competition in France for up to 8 days Hull length of engines used shall not exceed 24 meters.

#### **GEOGRAPHIC EXTENT**

France, the geographical extent shall not exceed the administrative limits of sailing of the boat

#### AMOUNT OF COVERAGE

Limit 30 000 000 € / claim

Specific exclusion : Damages occured to the policyholder responsible for the casualty

\*Franchise for the sums of 10% mini.  $\varepsilon$  500 maxi.  $\varepsilon$  1000 for house and motor boats

#### **<u>CONTRIBUTION</u>** : 10 € TTC PER COMPETITOR

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# **RACE ZONE**

# starting at 300 m from the Mourillon beaches

