



49er, 49erFX and Nacra17

49er and 49erFX European and Nacra 17 World Championships

La Grande Motte, France

4th to 12th May 2024

**The Organising Authority is the “Yacht Club de La Grande Motte”
(YCGM) in conjunction with the International 49er and Nacra 17
Class Associations.**

NOTICE OF RACE

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

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Penalties: In RRS 44.1 "Two-Turns Penalty" is changed to "One-Turn Penalty"
- 1.3 Appendix P, *Special Procedures for Rule 42*, shall apply, with RRS P2.1 to P2.4 deleted and replaced by: "When a boat is penalised under RRS P1.2, her penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty under RRS 44.2. If she fails to take the penalty she shall be disqualified without a hearing."
- 1.4 For the Medal Race, World Sailing Addendum Q (as posted on the official notice board) takes precedence over any conflicting instructions.
- 1.5 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race. The Class Race Management Guidelines, which can be found [here](#), will also apply, but a failure to follow these Guidelines is not on its own grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 1.6 The National Authority prescriptions will apply, See Attachment D.
- 1.7 This is a World Sailing 100-point ranking event.

2. [DP] ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.
- 2.2 For 49er and 49erFX - the bottom two panels of the jib area shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved 49er Class jib advertising policy.
For Nacra 17 - the area of the jib, except for the visibility window, shall be restricted to Class and Event advertising and all competitors shall place class nominated branding on their jibs according to the World Sailing approved Nacra 17 Class jib advertising policy.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code (Regulation 19).
- 3.2 For the 49er gender is open, for the FX gender is female and for the Nacra 17 teams must be of mixed gender.
- 3.3 All competitors shall be fully paid-up members of the International 49er or Nacra 17 Class Associations before registration
- 3.4 Russian and Belarusian nationals are not permitted to enter the Championship.
- 3.5 Entries should be received by the Organising Authority until the 2nd May 2024 and will only be accepted after the 14th April 2024 with the payment of the Late Entry Fee.
- 3.6 Competitors can enter and pay the fee by visiting the event notice board:
<https://49er.org/event/2024-european-championship/#noticeboard>

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fees
- For 49er and 49erFX: Entry Fee Euro 350 (until 14th April 2024), Late Entry Fee Euro 450 (from 15th April to 2nd May 2024).
 - For Nacra 17: Entry Fee Euro 400 (until 14th April 2024), Late Entry Fee Euro 500 (from 15th April to May 2nd 2024). Entries will only be accepted after 14th April 2024 at the discretion of the Organising Authority and with the payment of the Late Entry Fee.
- These fees include the International Class Championship Fees.
Coach Boat Entry Fee: Euro 100 per coach boat
Official Support fee: Euro 40 per supporter
- 4.2 Cancellation; in the case of a team withdrawing from the Championship, the paid entry fee will be refunded as follows:
- Up to 14th April 2024: 75% of the entry fees will be refunded.
 - After 14th April 2024: No refund will be made.

5. FORMAT OF RACING

- 5.1 The Championships will consist of an Opening Series and a Medal Race. The Opening Series will be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Final Series.
- 5.2 The Medal Race will be a single, double points race and will be detailed further in the Sailing Instructions.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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| 6.1 Saturday 4 May | 0900 - 1800 | Registration/ Inspection |
| Sunday 5 May | 0900 - 1800 | Registration/ Inspection |
| Day 0 - Monday 6 May | 0900 - 1100 | Registration/Inspection |
| | 1300 | Practice Races |
| | 1730 | Competitors Briefing |
| | 1800 | Opening Ceremony |

For 49er

Day 1 - Tuesday 7 May	1100	Qualifying Series Races
Day 2 - Wednesday 8 May	1100	Qualifying Series Races
Day 3 - Thursday 9 May	1100	Qualifying Series Races
Day 4 - Friday 10 May	1100	Final Series Races
Day 5 - Saturday 11 May	1100	Final Series Races
Day 6 - Sunday 12 May	1000	Final Series Races / Medal Races

For 49er FX and Nacra 17

Day 1 - Tuesday 7 May	1100	Single Series Races
Day 2 - Wednesday 8 May	1100	Single Series Races
Day 3 - Thursday 9 May	1100	Single Series Races
Day 4 - Friday 10 May	1100	Single Series Races
Day 5 - Saturday 11 May	1100	Single Series Races
Day 6 - Sunday 12 May	tba	Medal Races

6.2 On the Final Day of racing there will be no warning signal after 1400 for boats taking part in the Series Races and after 1700 for boats taking part in the Medal Races.

6.3 Each day after racing, there will be a jersey ceremony for the first 3 boats of each class. Final Prize Giving as soon as possible after the Medal Races.

7. MEASUREMENT

7.1 All boats shall be inspected for class rules compliance prior to racing, according to the Schedule of Events.

Additional spot measurement checks may be carried out during the Championship.

7.2 For 49er, 49erFX, and Nacra 17 only one set of sails and one forestay shall be used throughout the duration of the Championship.

7.3 Equipment shall only be replaced with permission of the Technical Committee.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 This regatta is an international event for the purpose of RRS G1.1.

8.2 A Technical Committee shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 92.

8.3 RRS G3 applies to supplied equipment.

8.4 Boats shall be available for inspection in accordance with Notice of Race

8.5 The procedures for inspections will be specified in the ER.

8.6 The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in the rules.

9. EQUIPMENT LIMITATIONS

9.1 Equipment limitations shall be enforced for this event.

9.2 The following equipment limitations shall apply to all boats that can enter the Gold fleet. Boats not meeting the equipment scope below shall be moved to the Silver fleet if they complete qualifying in a Gold fleet position.

Boats shall use only:

For 49er

- North 3Di **mainsail** with a with a registration tag marked MCE (Manufacturers Certified Equipment)
- North jib **sail**
 - with a registration tag marked MCE (Manufacturers Certified Equipment)
 - or with Serial number 506875 or higher plus 506859, 506849, 506848, 506844, 506843, 506841, 506840, 506839, 506820, 506815, 506814, 506813, 506811, 506808, 506801, 506796, 506794, 506793, 506792, 506789, 506787, 506785, 506684, 506629, 506628, 506626, 506625, 506578, 506577 but excluding 506886, 506888, 506907, 506906, 506905, 506904, 506903, 506917, 506920, 506924, 506926, 506929, 507221, 507220,

507219, 507239, 507237, 507236, 507235, 507234, 507232, 507231, 507778, 507776, 507775, 507774, 507780

- or, optionally, with North Jib sails that have been trimmed by North Sails and registered with the International Class Association
- MacDiarmid gennaker **sail** built with 2 horizontal seams.

For 49erFX

- North 3Di **mainsail** with a registration tag marked MCE (Manufacturers Certified Equipment) or with serial number 394340 or greater
- North jib **sail** with a registration tag marked MCE (Manufacturers Certified Equipment) or serial number 8249, 8251, 8173 or any number greater than 8285 but excluding 8337, 8338, 8428, 8434.
- North gennaker **sail** with a registration tag marked MCE (Manufacturers Certified sail serial number 393875 or greater.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Event website and at registration.

11. VENUE

The 2024 49er and 49erFX European Championships and Nacra 17 World Championship will be held at the La Grande Motte, France.

For mailing/shipping contact:

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Shipping Address*

Yacht Club de La Grande Motte

Esplanade Jean Baumel

34 280 La Grande Motte (France)

**The Yacht Club de La Grande Motte cannot be held responsible for defective or missing packages. All operations and shipping costs (shipping, tracking, recovery, returns) are the responsibility of the sailors. Last name, first name, class and sail number must be clearly specified on all packages.*

LINK TO INTERACTIVE MAP OF THE VENUE:

https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1OPitr_UI3QL-kKiKzNupFK2QYIXINFY&usp=sharing

12. THE COURSES

Courses will be: windward/leeward with a spreader mark at the windward end, and a gate at the leeward end of the course.

13. SCORING

13.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A4 will apply to the Opening Series

13.2 At least 5 races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.

14. SAFETY

In the event of an emergency the meeting point for safety personnel and the dropping off point for safety boats coming from the racing area will be at the launching slipway of La Grande Motte harbor.

The location of the Emergency Meeting Point is shown in Attachment B.

15. SUPPORT VESSELS

- 15.1 Support vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Class Support Vessel Regulations which are included in Attachment C-A. Support persons shall register at <https://49er.org/event/2024-european-championship/#noticeboard> or <https://nacra17.org/event/2024-world-championship/#notice-board> and complete at the venue registration office for technical information.
- 15.2 All support vessels shall clearly display the 3-letter national code of their WS Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200mm. Additionally all support vessels will fly a numeral flag provide by the Organising Authority.
- 15.3 If called upon support vessels will be required to act as rescue boats.
- 15.4 Support vessels / support person shall apply the “*Rules applying to support persons during French Sailing Federation (FFVoile) Events*” as showed in attachment C-B

16. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

17. PRIZES

Prizes for the Championships will be announced and awarded at the end of Racing for the first three places overall and for the Other Fleet(s) respectively.

The winners will receive medals -

- 49er and 49erFX European Open Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- European Championships - 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- Nacra 17 World Championship - 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
- Silver and Bronze fleet winners (if applicable)

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall have valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of at least Euro 2,000,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

20. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

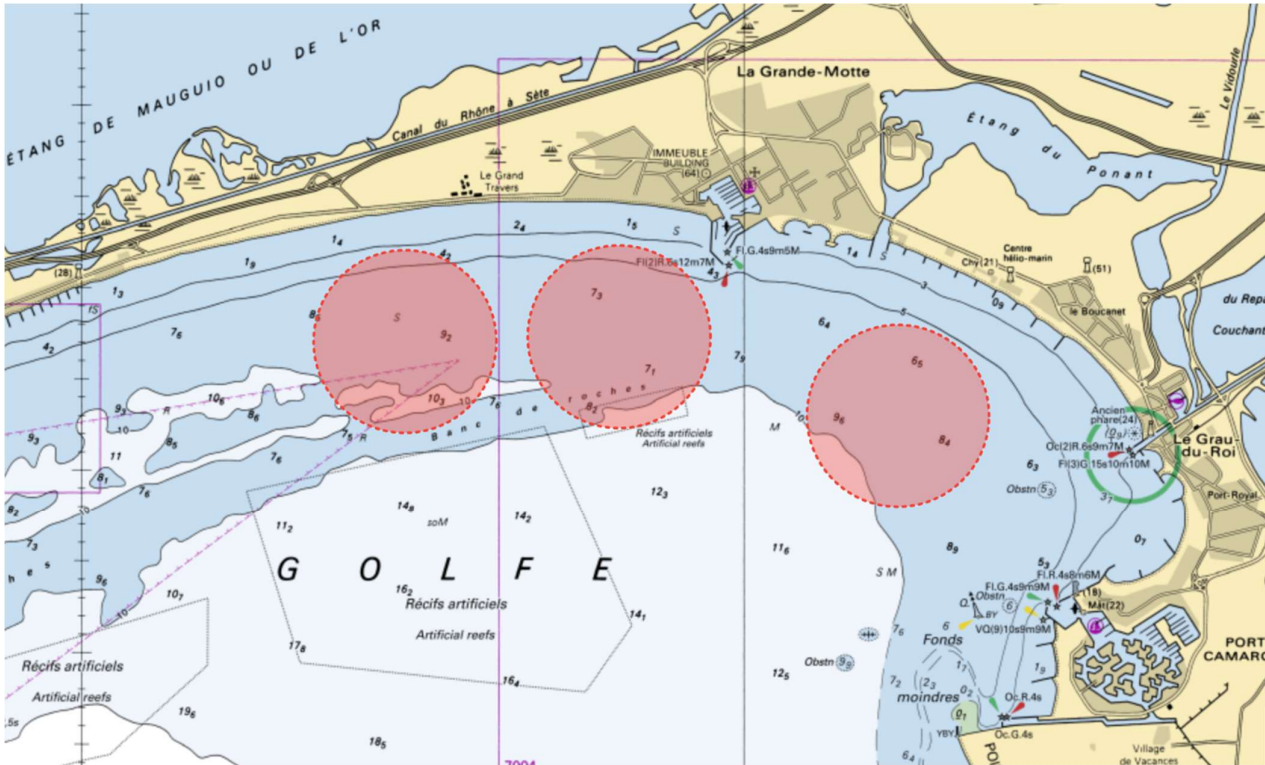
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any competitor briefing held for this event.

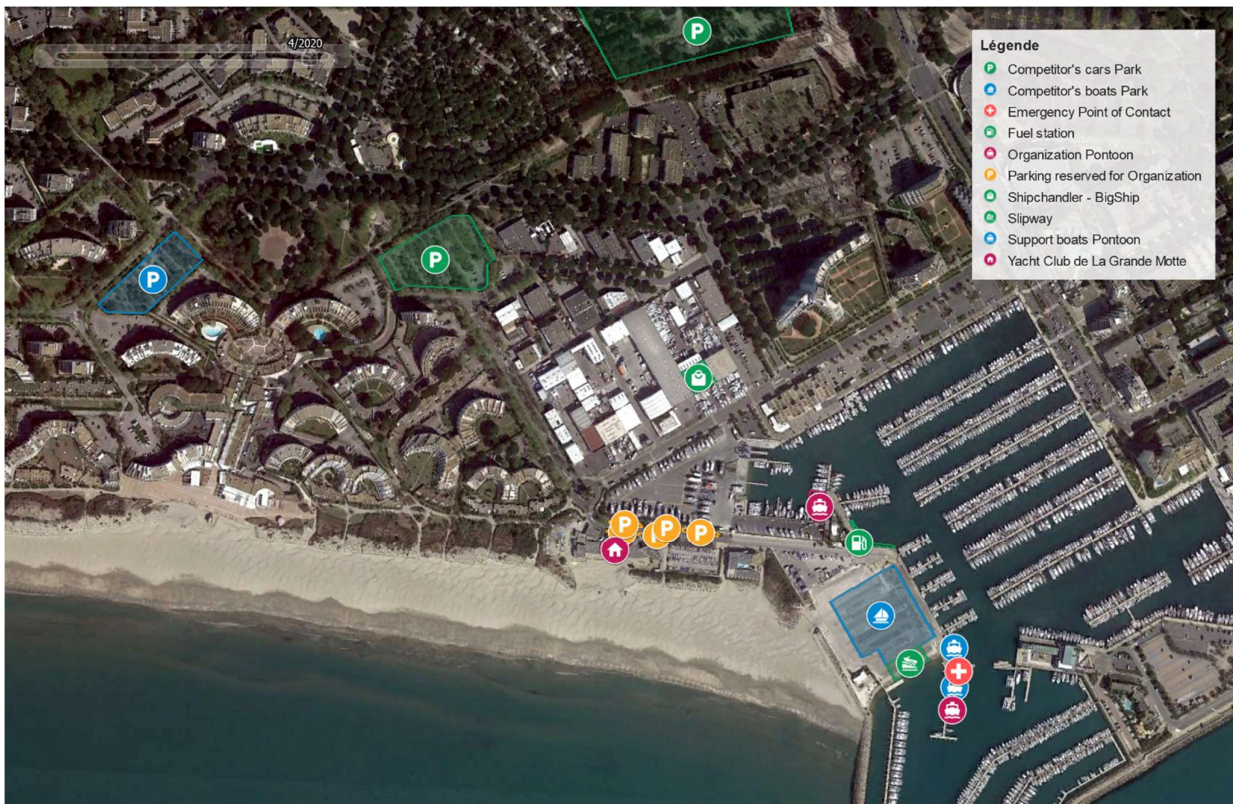
21. MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 21.1 Where consent for imagery has been given by a competitor participating in the Championship, competitors grant to the Organising Authority, the International 49er and the Nacra 17 Class Associations and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.
- 21.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.
- 21.3 Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences at the Championship.

ATTACHMENT A - RACING AREA



ATTACHMENT B - EMERGENCY MEETING POINT



ATTACHMENT C - A SUPPORT VESSEL REGULATIONS

Support Vessels shall carry the following Equipment on board,

- Life jackets / buoyance aids for the driver and all passengers,
- Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser) with a spare kill cord on the support vessel.
- VHF radio capable of receiving instruction from Safety or Race Committee
- First-aid kit
- Device for making a sound signal.
- Compass
- Adequate anchor and tackle for conditions and depth
- Tow rope (minimum 15m long and 10mm thick)
- Knife

Support Vessel Regulations

- Support Vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and shall be marked with their applicable national sail letters clearly displayed, the minimum height for these letters is 200mm.
- Support Vessels shall comply with all local regulations.
- Support Vessels shall follow Race Committee instructions on the designated VHF channel
- **Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running**
- Life jackets / buoyance aids - it is recommended that they are worn at all times when afloat and **shall** be worn in winds of over 10 knots or when motoring at more than 10 knots.
- Support vessels shall not be positioned, except during rescue operations,
 - Closer than 100 metres of any boat racing
 - Within 100 metres to leeward of the starting line and its extensions from the warning signal until all boats have left the starting area or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
 - Within 100 metres of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark
 - Within 100 metres of the finishing line while boats are finishing
 - In addition, support vessels that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 metres from any boat racing

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ATTACHMENT C - B

SUPPORT VESSEL REGULATIONS



Réglementation des conditions d'intervention des accompagnateurs sur les compétitions de la Fédération Française de Voile

Rules applying to support persons during French Sailing Federation (FFVoile) Events

<p>Préambule Ce texte présente les droits et devoirs des accompagnateurs, lors de leur participation aux compétitions de la Fédération Française de Voile (FFVoile), telles que définies dans le Règlement Technique de la FFVoile.</p> <p>Les Règles de Course à la Voile définissent un accompagnateur comme : Toute personne qui :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) apporte ou peut apporter une aide physique ou de conseil à un concurrent, comprenant tout entraîneur, formateur, manager, personnel de l'équipe, médecin, personnel paramédical, ou toute autre personne travaillant avec un concurrent, le traitant ou l'assistant pendant la compétition ou le préparant à la compétition, ou b) est le parent ou tuteur légal d'un concurrent. <p>L'entraîneur FFVoile est un accompagnateur titulaire du diplôme correspondant délivré par la FFVoile.</p> <p>En lieu et place d'un entraîneur FFvoile, un accompagnateur peut bénéficier des prérogatives et être soumis aux obligations des entraîneurs en se déclarant comme tel auprès de l'Autorité Organisatrice. A chaque fois que le terme « entraîneur » est utilisé dans le présent règlement, il concernera les entraîneurs diplômés et les accompagnateurs déclarés comme tel.</p>	<p>Preamble This document sets out the rights and obligations of support persons when they take part in French Sailing Federation (FFVoile) events, as defined in the FFVoile Technical Regulations.</p> <p>The Racing Rules of Sailing define a support person as follows: Any person who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) provides, or may provide, physical or advisory support to a competitor, including any coach, trainer, manager, team staff, medic, paramedic or any other person working with, treating or assisting a competitor in or preparing for the competition, or (b) is the parent or guardian of a competitor. <p>The FFVoile coach is a support person holder of a corresponding diploma issued by FFVoile.</p> <p>In place of a FFVoile coach, a support person may avail the same prerogatives and be subject to the obligations of the coaches, as long as this person declares herself as such to the Organizing Authority. Each time the word "coach" will be used in this document, it will relate to graduate coaches and support persons declared as such.</p>
L'ENTRAÎNEUR	THE COACH
peut être inclus dans le dispositif de surveillance avec son accord,	may, with his/her agreement, be included in the safety plan
est porte-parole de son équipe auprès de l'autorité organisatrice,	is the spokesperson with the Organizing Authority for his/her team.
s'engage à ne donner aucune instruction à son/ses coureurs pendant qu'il(s) est/sont en course (selon la définition des RCV),	undertakes to give no assistance to his/her competitors while they are racing (as defined in the RRS),
s'engage à respecter les règles applicables à l'épreuve, ainsi que les consignes données par le président du comité de course,	undertakes to comply with the rules applicable to the race, as well as instructions from the Chairman of the Race Committee,
s'engage à respecter ce règlement quand il est annexé aux documents de course d'une épreuve.	undertakes to comply with this regulation when it is attached to race documents on an event.
Les entraîneurs peuvent à la demande du comité de course nommer un entraîneur référent.	Coaches may, on request of the Race Committee, name a spokesperson for all coaches

L'AUTORITÉ ORGANISATRICE	THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY
ne doit pas inclure l'entraîneur dans son dispositif de surveillance sans son accord, sauf dans le cadre de la procédure d'urgence	shall not include a coach in the safety plan without his/her agreement, except when emergency procedure applies
peut organiser, avant le début de l'épreuve ou pendant l'épreuve, une réunion avec les entraîneurs et les arbitres,	may organize, prior to or during the event, a meeting with the coaches and race officials,
s'engage, dans le cadre de la procédure d'urgence, à faire bénéficier les bateaux entraîneurs des droits et avantages accordés aux bateaux de surveillance de l'organisation (carburant, assurance...)	undertakes, as part of the emergency procedure, to provide the coach boats with the rights and privileges granted to the Organizing Authority's safety boats (fuel, insurance, etc.);
considère l'entraîneur comme l'interlocuteur de son équipe sous réserve de l'accord de cette dernière	considers the coach as the spokesperson for his/her team, subject to team agreement.
GENERALITES	GENERAL
Les bateaux accompagnateurs devront se faire accréditer avant la clôture des inscriptions	Support boats shall be accredited before the end of registration
Dans le cas d'un accès restreint à une zone de départ réglementée par arrêté préfectoral, l'organisateur et la FFVoile établiront une liste des embarcations autorisées à y pénétrer dans le respect des autres dispositions de la présente réglementation, les accompagnateurs des Centres d'Excellence de la FFVoile seront accrédités de façon prioritaire.	If access to starting area is restricted by local government regulations, the Organizing Authority and the French Sailing Federation will prepare a list of boats authorized to enter the starting area, in compliance with other provisions to this regulation; support persons of the French Sailing Federation Centers of Excellence will be given priority for accreditation.
Lorsqu'ils ne sont pas utilisés, les bateaux accompagnateurs doivent être stationnés aux emplacements qui leur ont été attribués	When they are not used, support boats shall be parked in the places assigned to them;
IDENTIFICATION	IDENTIFICATION
Chaque bateau accompagnateur devra arborer l'identification définie par l'Autorité Organisatrice.	Each support boat shall display the identification required by the Organizing Authority.
Pour une régata internationale, chaque bateau entraîneur devra arborer ses lettres de nationalité noires sur fond blanc soit sur un pavillon d'une taille minimum de 40 cm x 30 cm soit sur le capot du moteur.	For an international regatta, each coach boat shall display black national letters on a white background, either on a flag with a minimum size of 40 cm by 30 cm or on the engine cover.
PENDANT LA COURSE	DURING RACES
Dans la mesure du possible, aucun équipement embarqué à bord d'un bateau d'assistance ne doit dépasser de manière dangereuse de la proue, de la poupe, ou des côtés de ce bateau.	As far as possible, no equipment onboard a support boat may extend beyond the bow, stern or sides of the boat so as to create a danger.
Les bateaux accompagnateurs ne doivent laisser aucun appareil, aucun équipement (bouée, balise, ...) mouillé en permanence.	Support boats shall not anchor any apparatus, equipment (buoy or marker, ...) permanently laid.
L'utilisation temporaire d'objets flottants est permise pour mesurer le courant. Ces objets doivent être remontés dès que les mesures ont été effectuées.	The temporary use of floating objects is allowed to measure the current. These objects shall be brought aboard once the measurement is done.
INFRACTIONS	INFRINGEMENTS
Toute infraction présumée à cette réglementation pourra être transmise au jury pour instruction.	Any alleged breach of this regulation may be reported to the jury for hearing.
En se fondant sur la RCV 64.5 : (a) Quand le jury décide qu'un <i>accompagnateur</i> qui est une <i>partie</i> dans une instruction selon la règle 60.3(d) ou 69 a enfreint une <i>règle</i> , il peut	Based on RRS 64.5: (a) When the protest committee decides that a <i>support person</i> who is a <i>party</i> to a hearing under rule 60.3(d) or 69 has broken a <i>rule</i> , it may

<p>(1) donner un avertissement, (2) exclure la personne de l'épreuve ou du lieu de l'épreuve ou lui retirer tout privilège ou avantage, ou (3) prendre d'autres mesures dans les limites de sa juridiction comme prévu par les règles.</p> <p>(b) Le jury peut également pénaliser un bateau qui est une <i>partie</i> dans une instruction selon la règle 60.3(d) ou 69 pour l'infraction à une <i>règle</i> par un <i>accompagnateur</i> en changeant le score du bateau dans une seule course, jusqu'à et y compris la disqualification, quand le jury décide que</p> <p>(1) le bateau est susceptible d'avoir acquis un avantage dans la compétition en conséquence de l'infraction de l'<i>accompagnateur</i>, ou (2) l'<i>accompagnateur</i> a commis une nouvelle infraction après que le jury, suite à une instruction antérieure, a averti le bateau par écrit qu'une pénalité pouvait être imposée.</p>	<p>(1) issue a warning, (2) exclude the person from the event or venue or remove any privileges or benefits, or (3) take other action within its jurisdiction as provided by the <i>rules</i>.</p> <p>(b) The protest committee may also penalize a boat that is a <i>party</i> to a hearing under rule 60.3(d) or 69 for the breach of a <i>rule</i> by a <i>support person</i> by changing the boat's score in a single race, up to and including disqualification, when the protest committee decides that</p> <p>(1) the boat may have gained a competitive advantage as the result of the breach by the <i>support person</i>, or (2) the <i>support person</i> committed a further breach after the protest committee warned the boat in writing, following a previous hearing, that a penalty may be imposed.</p>
<p>Il est rappelé aux entraîneurs et autres accompagnateurs qu'un bateau concurrent pourra être pénalisé pour avoir reçu de l'aide en infraction à la règle 41, Aide extérieure.</p>	<p>All coaches and other support persons are reminded that a competing boat may be penalized for receiving outside help infringing RRS 41, Outside help.</p>
<p>SECURITE</p>	<p>SAFETY</p>
<p>Les bateaux accompagnateurs devront respecter les réglementations applicables aux navires de plaisance de moins de 24 mètres (division 240) en mer, le règlement de police des plans d'eaux intérieurs et les réglementations spécifiques au plan d'eau si elles existent.</p>	<p>Support boats shall comply with regulations applicable to pleasure craft of less than 24 meters ("Division 240") at sea, the police regulations for inland water bodies and regulations specific to an area of water, if applicable.</p>
<p>Il est rappelé qu'en l'absence d'un système électronique à commande sans fil, le port permanent du coupe circuit est obligatoire pendant que le moteur tourne, sauf lorsqu'un déplacement du pilote est requis pour des manœuvres de sécurité réalisées notamment en solitaire et au point mort (assistance, appontage, abordage, mouillage, repêchage, ...).</p>	<p>It is reminded that in the absence of a wireless switch, a kill cord shall be worn whenever the motor is running, except when the driver shall move for safety maneuvers, specifically when alone and with the motor in neutral (assistance, landing, boarding, mooring, recovery, etc.).</p>

ATTACHMENT D - NATIONAL AUTHORITY PRESCRIPTONS

Prescriptions of the « Fédération Française de Voile » Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024

FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 25.1** (*Notice of race, sailing instructions and signals*):

For events graded 4 and 5, standard notices of race and sailing instructions including the specificities of the event shall be used. Events graded 4 may have dispensation for such requirement, after receipt of FFVoile approval, received before the notice of race has been published.

For events graded 5, posting of sailing instructions will be considered as meeting the requirements of RRS 25.1 application.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 64.4** (*Decisions on protests concerning class rules*):

The protest committee may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, a deposit covering the cost of checking arising from a protest concerning class rules.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 67** (*Damages*):

Any question or request related to damages arising from an incident occurred while a boat was bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing depends on the appropriate courts and cannot be examined and dealt by a protest committee.

A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that such action, admit liability for damages.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 70.5** (*Appeals and requests to a national authority*):

The denial of the right of appeal is subject to the written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile, received before publishing the notice of race. This approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 76.1** (*Exclusion of boats or competitors*)

An organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary reason.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 78.1** (*Compliance with class rules; certificates*):

The boat's owner or other person in charge shall, under his sole responsibility, make sure moreover that his boat complies with the equipment and security rules required by the laws, by-laws and regulations of the Administration.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 86.3** (*Changes to the racing rules*):

An organizing authority wishing to change a rule listed in RRS 86.1(a) in order to develop or test new rules shall first submit the changes to the FFVoile, in order to obtain its written approval and shall report the results to FFVoile after the event. Such approval shall be mentioned in the notice of race and in the sailing instructions and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 88.2** (*Changes to prescriptions*):

Prescriptions of the FFVoile shall not be changed in the notice of race and sailing instructions, except for events for which an international jury has been appointed.

In such case, the prescriptions marked with an asterisk (*) shall not be changed in the notice of race and sailing instructions. (The official translation of the prescriptions, downloadable on the FFVoile website www.ffvoile.fr, shall be the only translation used to comply with RRS 90.2(b)).

(*) FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 91(b)** (*Protest committee*):

The appointment of an international jury meeting the requirements of Appendix N is subject to prior written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile. Such approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

FFVoile Prescription to **APPENDIX R** (*Procedures for appeals and requests*):

Appeals shall be sent to the head-office of Fédération Française de Voile, 17 rue Henri Bocquillon, 75015 Paris – email: jury.appel@ffvoile.fr, using preferably the appeal form downloadable on the website of Fédération Française de Voile: <http://espaces.ffvoile.fr/media/127235/formulaire-dappel.pdf>