



# RED BULL FOILING GENERATION EVENT SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

23<sup>TH</sup> TO 27<sup>TH</sup> OF OCTOBER 2017  
LA BAULE, FRANCE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Red Bull Extreme Sailing and the Yacht Club de La Baule respectively.

## ABBREVIATIONS

- [ESI] – denotes the Event Sailing Instructions
- [ERS] – denotes the Equipment Rules of Sailing
- [NA] - denotes the National Authority
- [OCS] - denotes On Course Side
- [OA] – denotes the Organizing Authority
- [RC] – denotes the Race Committee
- [SSI] – denotes the Series Sailing Instructions
- [CR] – denotes the Class Rules
- [E-ONB] – denotes the Online Notice Board
- [J] – denotes Jury
- [NoR] – denotes Notice of Race
- [ONB] – denotes the Official Notice Board
- [PC] – denotes the Protest Committee
- [RRS] – denotes *The 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing*

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS 2017-2020) « Fast Boat Edition » V2.1 May 2017.
- 1.2 The Equipment Rules of Sailing.
- 1.3 FFVoile board decision on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2015, related to technical rules and safety for foiling supports.
- 1.4 All races will be umpired.
- 1.5 Racing rules will be changed as follows:





(a) RRS Definitions Start add: "When the gennaker is not used delete equipment" from first sentence.

(b) RRS 42.3 is changed by the CR C1.1 (b), as follows: (j) A boat maybe sculled if the sculling does not propel the boat.

1.6 In the RRS Definitions Zone the distance is three hull lengths, for all formats of races (this changes RRS C2.3).

1.7 The RC may appoint a person to inspect or measure any boat or personal equipment at any time.

1.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

1.9 RRS 64.1(a) is changed to allow the J/PC to waive penalties and/or impose penalties other than disqualification.

1.10 The RC will provide the Event Sailing Instructions on registration at each venue. In the event of a conflict between the SSI and the ESI, the ESI shall prevail.

1.11 Boats shall comply with the advertising requirements in the NoR.

1.12 A boat registered to compete in a regatta shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish all races, and without following 'team orders' between boats or breaching the principles set out in ISAF Case 78. The penalty for a breach of this instruction may be ranking the boat last in the regatta or series.

## **2 ENTRIES and ELIGIBILITY**

2.1 Only teams invited by the OA are eligible for the event. Teams will be listed on the ONB and may be posted on the E-ONB at each Event.

2.2 Each team is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless the umpires or jury otherwise assign responsibility.

2.3 When a registered team member is unable to continue in the event, OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

2.4 The total number of crew, including the skipper, shall be two.

## **3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the ONB at the Yacht Club de La Baule and may be posted on the E-ONB.

3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast on the terrace at the Yacht Club de La Baule.

3.3 A team representative shall attend the first briefing, unless excused by the OA.

3.4 Competitors and safety briefing will take place every day at the Yacht Club de La Baule.

3.5 An informal daily meeting with the umpires will take place normally in the morning of each race day following the daily competitors and safety briefing.





### 3.6 Flags

In addition to the RRS Race Signals, the following flags will mean:

| <u>Flag</u>             | <u>Flown by Competitor</u> | <u>Flown by RC/Umpires</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Red                     | Hearing Request            | Tack Penalty               |
| Yellow                  | -                          | Gybe Penalty               |
| IC Y, (Green and White) | Decision Request           | -                          |
| Black                   | -                          | Disqualification           |
| Pink                    | -                          | Insufficient Information   |

Within a multiple race sequence, instructions will be announced by VHF or supplied UHF radios.

3.7 The RC/Umpires may broadcast information before and during races by VHF or supplied UHF. The channel to be used will be specified at the first briefing. A failure to broadcast or receive such information does not constitute grounds for redress (amends rule 62.1) and information broadcast by the RC/Umpires does not constitute outside help (amends rule 41).

## 4 NOTICES, INFORMATION & CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS, & SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Amendments to the SI made ashore will be posted on the ONB and may be posted on the E-ONB, at least 60 minutes before the start of any race affected and except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 21:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4.2 Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the RRS Part 4 preamble.

4.3 Add to rule 40 'competitors shall wear helmets' and the rule applies at all times while racing. This changes the RRS Part 4 preamble.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1 Schedule of Races

| <i>Date</i>           |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Monday, October 23    | Registration, Practice day  |
| Tuesday, October 24   | Practice day  |
| Wednesday, October 25 | 8.30: safety and skippers briefing at the Yacht Club de La Baule<br>10.00: 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal |
| Thursday, October 26  | 8.30: safety and skippers briefing at the Yacht Club de La Baule<br>10.00: 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal |





Friday, October 27

8.30: safety and skippers briefing at the Yacht Club de La Baule

10.00: 1<sup>st</sup> warning signal

5.3 The RC may terminate any race, stage or event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of races under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

5.4 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 15.00.

## 7 RACING AREAS

Race Area will be posted on the ONB and may be posted on the E-ONB.

## 8 THE COURSES

8.1 The course, the order and the side on which each mark is to be passed or rounded will be announced by the RC by VHF or supplied UHF prior to the attention signal.

8.2 Marks may be laid at any time before a competitor begins the leg on which the mark bounds or ends.

## 9 MARKS

9.1 Marks will be large inflatable marks, color (yellow, red, white, blue).

9.2 The starting and finishing marks will normally be white.

9.3 A mark may be substituted, replaced, or moved.

9.4 A boat signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SSI 12.

## 11 THE START SYSTEM, START/FINISH LINES

11.1 This changes RRS 26, 29 and 30. The standard RRS 26 starting sequence will not apply. Times shall be taken from the visual signals that will be based on GPS time; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Races shall be started in accordance with the following signals;

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| 4 Lowering Red and White Vertical Striped Flag | Postponement Concluded |
| 3 White flag with black "3"                    | Warning                |
| 2 Yellow flag with black "2"                   | Preparatory            |
| 1 Black flag with white "1"                    | Get Ready              |
| 0 Course flag & Get Ready signal removed       | Line Open              |

11.2 The use of a black flag as the Get Ready signal does not bring rule 30.3 into effect.





11.3 An individual recall will be signaled with a flag with the boat color and number. In addition the RC may announce the names of the OCS boats over the VHF or supplied UHF as soon as possible. Not hearing the hail, the order in which the hails are made, or the RC failing to make the call over the VHF will not be grounds for requesting redress (amends RRS 62.1 (a)).

11.4 The starting and finishing lines will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of a buoy.

11.5 Each subsequent race will be started as soon as practicable after the previous race. The last race of the day may be announced.

## **12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE, ABANDONMENT & SHORTENING**

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12.2 If a mark is dragged/shifted then the RC may substitute the mark with either a boat bearing a flag M or another buoy (amends RRS 33 and RRS Race Signals).

12.3 RRS 32 is deleted and replaced with: 'After the starting signal the RC may abandon or shorten any race for any reason, after consulting with the umpires when practical.'

## **13 BREAKDOWN & TIME FOR REPAIRS**

13.1 In case of a boat gear failure, a delay to conduct repairs will be granted if notified and acknowledged by the RC. To request such a delay the boat must call the RC on the official channel defined at the first briefing stating their damage, no later than one minute after the last boat finishes the previous race. The delay that may be granted is at the sole discretion of the RC and will be a maximum of four minutes from the acknowledgement of the first request received from any boat. After this delay, the RC may start the sequence at anytime.

13.2 After the first signal of a start sequence, a race will not be postponed or abandoned due to breakdown or request for delay. Except when RRS 62.1(b) applies, failure to effect repairs in the time allowed, or breakdowns after four minutes to the start of the next race shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

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## **15 TIME LIMITS**

15.1 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after the start will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

15.2 A boat that does not finish within 175% of the elapsed time based on the time the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.





## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

Breaches of RRS 40, 55, NoR items, Safety Regulations & Requirements will not be grounds for a protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes rule 60.1. Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the J/PC so decides.

## **17 SCORING**

17.1 There will be a knock out series with four boats racing each other. The 2 first boats will advance to the next round until there is the final race where the first boat is the winner of the event. The winning team of each national event may then sail in a finale event against the other national winning teams.

17.2 Boats allocations will be directed by the RC and may be posted on the ONB and E-ONB within 30 minutes upon conclusion of the the morning competitors briefing, but are subject to change during the days racing at the discretion of the RC.

## **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

18.1 Please refer to NoR and ESI items; pre-amble (refers to RRS Fundamental Rules 4), and separate Safety Regulations & Requirements booklet when presented.

18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

## **19 EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS, REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the RC. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be retrospective.

## **20 OFFICIAL BOATS**

A list of boats and their identification will be posted on the ONB and may be posted on E-ONB.

## **21 SUPPORT BOATS**

21.1 Support boats shall conspicuously display identification of the team being supported. The OA may issue flags, which will be required to be displayed during racing for identification as well.

21.2 Any interference by a support boat with the racing or the event organization may result in a penalty applied at the discretion of the J to the associated team.

21.3 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired





or the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **22 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support and RC/Umpire boats.

## **23 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats shall not be launched or recovered during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior permission of the OA/RC.

## **24 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Fundamental Rules 4, Decision to Race. Attention is drawn to the indemnities and exclusions of liability contained in the Commercial Agreement. The onus is on the competing team or boat to ensure that notwithstanding the provisions of the NoR and the Commercial Agreement that they have adequate insurance cover.

## **26 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance, which will be issued by Red Bull with a minimum cover 500,000 Euro, per incident or the equivalent.

