



NOTICE OF RACE

WASZP FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP 2024

Organizing Authority
Yacht Club de La Grande Motte
with Mediterranean Training Center

From July 3rd to July 7th, 2024
at La Grande Motte

Preamble

Prevention of violence and incivility

The FFVoile (French Sailing Federation) reminds that sports events are above all spaces for exchange and sharing, open and accessible to everyone. In this respect, competitors and accompanying persons are requested to behave in a courteous and respectful manner at all times, on land as well as on water, regardless of the origin, gender, or sexual orientation of other participants.

Special Mention

The mention [DP] in a rule of the Notice of Race (NOR) means that the penalty for an infringement of this rule may, at the discretion of the Jury, be less than a disqualification. The mention [NP] in a rule of the NOR means that a boat cannot protest (No Protest) against another boat for infringing this rule. This modifies RRS 60.1(a). Following the aggression on Ukraine, FFVoile decided on March 2, 2022, not to authorize the participation of Russian and Belarusian competitors in competitions throughout French territory.

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1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

1.1 The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021/2024

1.2 The national prescriptions translated into English for foreign competitors





1.3 The appendix « Technical and safety rules for foiling boat »

1.4 The modified RRS for Slalom races will be described in the SIs. Appendix P (Special Rule 42 Procedure) will apply, as mentioned in section 13 of this Notice of Race

1.5 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

1.6 In case of translation of the Notice of Race, the French text shall prevail

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

2.1 The SIs will be available from June 17, 2024

2.2 The SIs will be downloadable from the Class WASZP - Racehub website
<https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/300>

3. COMMUNICATION

The official online notice board will be available at:
<https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/300>

4. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

In accordance with RRS76.1, the organizers will refuse or cancel the registration of all competitors of Russian nationality or displaying Russian nationality and the participation of boats whose owner or manager is a Russian or Belarusian individual or entity.

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the WASZP and WASZP X class up-to-date with their international subscription (<https://racehub.waszp.com/memberships>)

4.2 Entries must be made on the International Class website:
<https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/300>
Entries close at midnight French time on June 28, 2024.
Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.

4.3 Documents required for registration

4.3.1 For competitors

a) For each competitor holding an FFVoile Club License:

- Valid FFVoile Club License mentioning "competition"
- or
- Valid FFVoile Club License mentioning "membership" or "practitioner" accompanied by:
 - For minors, a health questionnaire filled out by the legal guardian.
 - For adults, a medical certificate stating no contraindication to competitive sailing, dated less than a year ago.





b) For each competitor not holding an FFVoile Club License, whether foreign or French residing abroad:

- Proof of membership in a National Authority member of World Sailing
- Valid civil liability insurance proof with a minimum coverage of two million Euros
- For minors, a health questionnaire filled out by the legal guardian, or for adults, a medical certificate stating no contraindication to competitive sailing, dated less than a year ago (in French or English).

c) A parental authorization for minors.

4.3.2 For the boat

- Valid measurement certificate
- If necessary, permission for advertising display.

4.3 To be considered registered for the event, a boat must meet all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. ENTRY FEES

5.1 Registration fees are as follows:

- For the Warm Up (training race on Monday, July 1st and Tuesday, July 2nd)
- €40 per day per boat
- For the French Championship
- €150 per boat before June 20, 2024
- €180 from June 21, 2024 onwards

5.2 Cancellation of registration for the French Championship

- Before June 20, 2024, 90% of the registration fees will be refunded.
- If cancellation occurs between June 20 and June 30, 2024, then 50% of the registration fees will be refunded.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 [DP] [NP] Boats may be required to display the advertising chosen and provided by the organizing authority.

6.2 [DP] [NP] The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as authorized by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

7. QUALIFYING SERIES / FINALS SERIES and GREEN FLEET

If there are more than 80 entries, the event will consist of a qualifying series and a final series. At its discretion, the Organizing Authority may divide the fleet below 80 entries.





8. SCHEDULE

Date	Timing	Events
July 1 st -2 nd	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Warm Up (Training races)
July 3 rd	10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Registration
July 4 th	9:00 am – 11:00 pm 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Registration "Slalom" races Welcome cocktail
July 5 th	10:00 am 7:30 pm	Warning signal – Qualification races Pasta party
July 6 th	10:00 am 7:30 pm	Warning signal – Qualification races Crews BBQ
July 7 th	09:00 am 5:00 pm	Warning signal – qualification races and final Prize giving

A maximum of 4 races may be held in one day. Championship races may be moved to July 4th, and slalom races may be postponed or canceled, subject to weather conditions. The last scheduled race day, no starting procedure will commence after 3:00 pm

9. EQUIPMENT CHECK

Not applicable.

10. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

See Appendix "Technical and safety rules for foiling boat"

11. LOCATION – RACE AREA

Yacht club of La Grande Motte / Bay of Aigues-Mortes (See appendix "Race area")

12. COURSES

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions (SIs)

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is modified so that the two-turns penalty is replaced by a one-turn penalty. RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply, RRS P2.1 will apply under appendix P. RRS P5 will not apply.





14. SCORING

There will be a Men's ranking and a Women's ranking as follows:

- General ranking
- Female
- Junior (U16)
- Youth (U21)
- Master (45+)
- Super Master (55+)
- WASZP 6.9m2
- WASZP X
- Slalom
- Speed Demon

A minimum of 3 races is required to validate the Championship
The ranking system will be detailed in the sailing instructions.

15. SUPPORT BOATS

15.1 [DP] [NP] Support boats must be identified by flag provided by the organization.
Any competitor's support boat must imperatively declare itself to the organization and provide the information requested by the Organizing Authority. Upon request, these support boats may be required to act as safety boats and provide assistance.

15.2 [DP] [NP] Support boats must have on board:

- Life jackets (minimum 50N) worn at all times by all persons on board
- VHF radio
- Knife
- Anchor and suitable mooring line
- Floating towline of 10mm diameter and 15m long
- Engine kill switch in case of fall, which must be connected to the pilot while the engine is running (in accordance with division 240 regulations).

The pilots of support boats must comply with any requests from the race committee or the organizing authority, especially those regarding assistance.

Support boats must adhere to local navigation regulations, particularly regarding speed limits in different areas.

16. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A chartered or loaned boat must display nationality letters or a sail number compliant with its class rules.





17. BERTHING

Not applicable

18. DATA PROTECTION

18.1 Right to image and appearance:

By participating in this competition, the competitor and his legal representatives authorize the Organizing Authority, the FFVoile, and their sponsors to use his image and name for free, to show at any time (during and after the competition) moving or static photos, films or television recordings, and other reproductions of himself taken during the competition.

18.2 Use of participants' personal data

By participating in this competition, the competitor and his legal representatives consent and authorize the FFVoile and its sponsors as well as the organizing authority and the WASZP France Class to use and store their personal data free of charge. This data may be published by FFVoile and its sponsors.

FFVoile in particular, but also its sponsors, may use this data for software development or for marketing purposes. In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), any competitor who has communicated personal data to FFVoile may exercise his right of access to the data concerning him, have it rectified, and, depending on the situation, have it deleted, limited, and object to it, by contacting dpo@ffvoile.fr or by mail to the registered office of the French Sailing Federation specifying that the request relates to personal data.

19. RISKS ASSESSMENT

RRS 3 states: "The decision of a boat to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." By participating in this event, each competitor accepts and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather conditions, equipment failure, errors in boat handling, poor navigation by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable surface, and fatigue, resulting in an increased risk of injury. The risk of material and/or bodily harm is inherent in the sport of sailing.

20. PRIZES

To validate the title of French champion, there must be at least 15 confirmed entries for the Waszp class. Otherwise, the regatta will be downgraded to a national criterion grade 4 event.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

French Championship: The top 3 finishers in the overall standings will respectively receive a gold, silver, and bronze medal.





Other rankings:

- Female
- Junior (U16)
- Youth (U21)
- Master (45+)
- Super Master (55+)
- WASZP 6.9m2
- WASZP X
- Slalom
- Speed Demon

A "Best Influencer" prize will be awarded to the competitor who made the best post on social networks? This prize will be judged by Camille El Beze, sports journalist, and Communication Manager of the Mediterranean Training Center.

21. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information, contact:

cemed@orange.fr

<https://racehub.waszp.com/eventdetail/300>



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 action alone, 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 (*Prescription to RRS 76.1*)

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 (*Prescription to RRS 88.2*):

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: https://arbitrage.ffvoile.fr/media/sfmjof1n/imprime_appel.pdf?guid=11779&name=webinaire-formation-continue-arbitres



Technical and Safety Rules for Foiling Boat

Mandatory provisions for foiling boat

- The wearing of Personal Flotation Devices (PFD) is mandatory in competition, from departure on the water until return to shore.
- Wearing a helmet is mandatory in competition, from departure on the water until return to shore.

The effective date of the mandatory provisions is set for September 1st, 2015.

Recommended provisions for foiling boat:

- Wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) is recommended at all times.
- Wearing a helmet is recommended at all times.
- EN 1385 standard is recommended for helmets.
- Wearing protective clothing or equipment against impacts (reinforced thermal suit, reinforced Personal Flotation Device, etc.) is recommended.
- On sailing race courses, the sailing areas of sailboats, devices, or foil boards are to be preserved as much as possible from foreseeable collision routes with other sailboats, devices, or foil boards, and boats, except for organization, arbitration, coaching, or monitoring and intervention boats, whose pilots are informed of the conduct to be followed in the performance of their duties and equipped accordingly.

The effective date of the recommendations is immediate.

The board of directors (CA) mandates the executive committee (BE) to adapt these rules if necessary and thus have the necessary reactivity. In case of substantial modifications, the decision of the BE will apply as soon as necessary and will be subject to subsequent validation by the CA. In all cases, the BE reports to the next CA meeting on any provisions taken in the meantime.





Race area – Baie d'Aigues Mortes

