

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**International « M and 10 R Nation Cup » 2024
From 31st October to 3rd November 2024
Plan d'eau de Pignedorée (Pierrelatte)
Organizing Authority: U.N.V.M. Pierrelatte
Grade 4**

The notation (NP) (no protest) in a rule of these Sailing Instructions (SI) means that a boat cannot protest an other boat for a breach of that rule. This change RRS 60.1 (a).

The notation (DP) in a rule of these Sailing Instructions (SI) means than the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

- The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix E,
- The valid HMS,
- Experimental rules for radio sailing 2021
- System for Reducing Protest Hearing (SYRPH)
- RRS E2.1(b) is deleted for announces in french

In case of conflict in the translation of the Sailing Instructions, the french version shall prevail.

2. CHANGE THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change of the Sailing Instructions will be announced before the Warning Signal of the course or the fleet in witch it takes effect, except a change of the schedule of the races who will be posted before 19 :00 the day before it will take effect.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices for competitors will be posted on the official website: vrc-pierrelatte.com and on the "WhatsApp" group.

4. CONDUCT POLICY

[DP] [NP] Competitors shall conform to the orders of race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be display on the mast located close to the control area.
- 5.2 « AP Pennant » with two sounds means: "the fleet is postponed. Warning signal will be made as soon as possible after removal (one sound)".

This changes RRS E3.8. (b).

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Dates of courses:

Date	Class
31 st October to 1 st November 2024	M
2 nd November to 3 rd November 2024	10R

- 6.2 1st warning signal for first course/fleet is:

31st October 2024: 10h30

1st, 2nd and 3rd November 2024: 9h30

- 6.3 On the last day of racing, it will not be given warning signal for:

Time will be posted on the official notice bord and posted on the WhatsApp group.

7. HEAT ANNOUNCEMENT

Each starting procedure will be announced as follows: "Race n° N, Heat (x) to the start".

8. ZONES DE COURSE

Control area will be on the hillock unless the race committee inform otherwise in case of particular weather conditions. It will then be described on the Official Notice Board.

Launching area will be described & posted on the Official Notice Board.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Courses will be posted on the Official Notice Board (see appendix courses). They can be modified. The course to sail will be posted on the official notice board located near the control area.

10. MARKS

Start	Racing Marks	Finish
Blue/yellow buoys	Blue/orange buoys	Blue/yellow buoys

11. ZONES WHO ARE OBSTRUCTION

The zones who are considerate as obstructions are posted on the official notices board.

12. START

- 12.1 The starting line is the course sideline between blue/yellow buoys.

- 12.2 A boat, not starting after 4 minutes after her starting signal will be score DNS without a hearing (this changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2).

13. FINISH

The finish line is the course sideline between blue/yellow buoys.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

Experimental rules for radio sailing boats shall apply. The text will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

15. TARGET TIME AND TIME OUT LIMIT

- 15.1 Except for the race number 1 (no time limit) the time out limit are:

Target Time	Time out limit for the 1st boat
15 minutes	<i>30 minutes or the necessary time for those 6 boats (or 4 boats HMS system « B ») maximum stay racing, instead of what is the belated time if several fleet.</i>

- 15.2 Boats not finishing 5 minutes after the first boat finish will be score DNF (this change RRS 35, A4 and A5.).
- 15.3 Not respecting target time cannot be a reason for asking for redress (this changes RRS 62.1(a). If, only one fleet, the time out limit to finish after the first boat is 5 minutes.

16. REQUEST FOR HEARING

- 16.1 If SYRPH apply, text will be posted on the official notice board
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 10 minutes after the last boat has finish her fleet. Time limit will be posted on the official notice board
- 16.3 Protest forms are available at the jury's secretary located near the area control.
- 16.4 Notices will be posted no more 10 minutes later after the time limit to inform the competitors about hearing in witch they are involved. Jury room is located near the control area. Hearings will start in time posted on the official notice board.
- 16.5 The last day of the regatta request for a reopening shall be lodged:
- (a) in the protest time limit if the party requesting for redress or reopening has been informed of the decision the day before.
- (b) no more than 10 minutes after the party requesting for reopening has been informed of the decision the same day or for a request for redress no more than 10 minutes after the decision has been posted.

This changes RRS 66 and 62.2

17. SCORING

- 17.1 Scoring will be in accordance with HMS available
- 17.2 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 Excluded scores (discards)
- See HMS**

18 SAFETY RULES

- 18.1 [DP] [NP] A boat who retires from a fleet shall inform race committee as soon as possible
- 18.2 [DP] [NP] RRS 1.2 is changed as follow: “when on board a rescue boat, each competitor is responsible for wearing a personal flotation device suited for the conditions”.

19. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

[DP] Replacement of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee or Technical Committee. Requests for replacement shall be made to the Race Committee or Technical Committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Requests for replacement shall be made to the Race Committee or Technical Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

A boat can be instructed by a race committee (announcement ° Go to technical committee or directly by Technical Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. OFFICIALS BOATS

The official rescue boat is a grey Zodiac.

24. PRIZES

The winner will receive the title of “Winner of the International Marblehead Nation Cup 2022”.

Attendance awards will be given to all competitors.

Appointed Race Officials:

Chairman Race Officer: Pierre GONNET
Chairman Protest Committee: Patrick VILAIN