



# 44th Semaine Olympique Française

## A 2011-2012 ISAF Sailing World Cup Regatta

### NOTICE OF RACE

The 44th Semaine Olympique Française will be held at Hyères-France from the 19th to the 27th of April 2012.

The Organizing Authority is the Fédération Française de Voile.

#### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 For fleet racing, RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.

1.3 For medal races, ISAF Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, available on the ISAF website ([www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org)), will apply and changes a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.

1.4 For the Women's Keelboat Match Racing event, Rules for the Handling of Boats will apply including practice racing, and will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Elliott 6m Class rules will not apply.

1.5 For Paralympic events,

1.5.1 Section K of the International 2.4mR Class rules will apply.

1.5.2 SKUD 18 Class Rules C2.1(d) and C3.2(e) will not apply.

1.5.3 This will be a Sonar Class Association Appendix B - Alternative Rules event.

1.6 The Fédération Française de Voile Prescriptions that will apply are stated in full in Addendum B of this Notice of Race.

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

## **2. ADVERTISING AND BOW NUMBERS**

2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

2.2 In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.3, competitors aboard the boats ranked first, second and third in the series at the beginning of that day, shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing. The bibs will be provided by the organizing authority.

## **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

3.1 Competitors and coaches shall enter by completing the on-line entry form on the event website <http://sof.ffvoile.fr> and paying the required fees. No entry will be considered as valid without the on-line payment of the required fees. On-line entry opens on the 10th of January 2012. Entries must be received no later than 15h00 (UT) the 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2012 to qualify for the early entry fee and will not be accepted after 15h00 (UT) the 30<sup>th</sup> of March.

3.2 ISAF Eligibility shall apply. Each athlete shall be registered as an ISAF Sailor on the ISAF website: [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor)

3.3 Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or the ISAF Executive, each competitor shall be a national of the country of the Member National Authority (MNA) which enters the boat or endorses the person in charge (as defined by RRS 46). This requirement does not apply to a crew member who receives approval to compete in the regatta from the MNA of the person in charge. Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality or the approved waiver at registration.

3.4 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each Olympic event. Men and mixed teams are not eligible to compete in women's events. Women are not eligible to compete in men's events.

3.5 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration. The forms are available for download on the event website <http://sof.ffvoile.fr>

3.6 For the Paralympic events, Paralympic Eligibility criteria applies.

3.7 For the Women's Keelboat Match Racing event, the crew (including the skipper) shall total three with a maximum total crew weight at registration of 204 kg when wearing at least shorts and shirt. Except in an emergency, the skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing. All registered crew shall sail all races. However,

3.7.1 when a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the organizing authority may authorise an original crew member to substitute.

3.7.2 when a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the organizing authority may authorise a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

3.8 The regatta is open to boats competing in events chosen for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition and the 2012 Paralympic Sailing Competition.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Event Quota</b>	<b>Minimum Entries</b>
Men's One Person Dinghy	Laser	150	20
Women's One Person Dinghy	Laser Radial	120	20
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	Finn	80	20
Men's Two Person Dinghy	470-M	120	20
Women's Two Person Dinghy	470-W	80	20
Men's Two Person Dinghy (High Performance)	49er	100	20
Men's Keelboat	Star	80	10
Women's Keelboat Match Racing	Elliott 6m	24	20
Men's Windsurfer	RS:X-M	120	20
Women's Windsurfer	RS:X-W	80	20
Paralympic One Person Keelboat	2.4mR	20	10
Paralympic Two Person Keelboat	SKUD18	12	5
Paralympic Three Person Keelboat	Sonar	12	5

3.9 The organizing authority may cancel an event if the minimum number of entries have not been received by 15h00 (UT), on the 30th of March 2012. Competitors will be notified of canceled events by email and posting on the event website. The entry fees for canceled events will be refunded.

3.10 For any event in which the number of applications exceeds the Event Quota 15h00 (UT), the 30<sup>th</sup> of March 2012, the following procedure will apply.

3.10.1 The MNAs of the applications received will be sorted in Priority Order, based on the order of each MNA's highest appearance in the 2010-2011 ISAF Sailing World Cup final series standings.

3.10.2 Ties in the Priority Order will be resolved in favor of the MNA with the higher appearance in the most recent SWC event(s) in which any tied MNA appears. Remaining ties will be broken in favor of the MNA whose earliest entry application was received first. MNA's not appearing in the applicable SWC standings shall be sorted by application date and added at the end of the MNA Priority Order.

3.10.3 The Applications will be accepted, as follows, until the quota is filled:

- (a) One place awarded to the host MNA.
- (b) One place, awarded in MNA Priority Order, for each MNA with a remaining entry application.
- (c) Repeat 3.10.3(b) above until the quota is filled.

3.11 The Event Quota will be increased until each MNA with a qualified application has at least one entry in the event. Each MNA with excess application(s) will decide which application(s) fill the available slots.

3.12 For any event in which NOR 3.10 does not apply, entries will be accepted in the order received until the Event Quota is reached.

#### 4. IFDS FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

4.1 Disabled sailors shall have valid International Classification under the 2009-2012 IFDS Functional Classification System.

4.2 Protests regarding classification may be filed with the on site classifiers not later than "first appearance." However, protests will not be decided at the regatta.

#### 5. FEES

5.1 Fees are stated in Euros and include any local taxes. Entries received by 15h00 (UT) the 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2012 will qualify for the early Entry fee.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Entry Fee</b>	<b>Early Entry Fee</b>
One person classes	190	140
Two persons classes	290	240
Three persons classes	350	300
Women Keelboat Match Racing	2100	2000
Support Boat	60	40

5.2 The entry fee for the Women's Keelboat Match Race event includes the boat charter fee.

5.3 For the Women's Keelboat Match Racing Event, a damage deposit is required in addition to the entry fee as follows.

5.3.1 An initial damage deposit of 600 € shall be paid only by cash at registration, unless extended by the Organizing Authority. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.

5.3.2 If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the Organizing Authority, it may require the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper is permitted to continue in the event.

5.3.3 Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event

5.4 If an entry is canceled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

<b>Cancellation Date</b>	<b>Entry Fee Refund</b>
Prior to the 30th of March 2012	80%
From the 31 <sup>st</sup> of March to 18th of April 2012	50%
After the 18th of April	0%

## 6. FORMAT

6.1 For fleet racing, the regatta will consist of an opening series and, for Olympic events, a medal race. The opening series may be divided into a qualifying series and a final series. The top ten finishers in the opening series of each event will advance to the medal race, provided a minimum of 3 races have been completed in the opening series. For Paralympic events, the regatta will consist of a single series.

6.2 For match racing, the regatta will consist of an opening series, a knockout series, and a sail-off for boats not advancing to the knockout series. The organising authority may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

## 7. SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration for competitors, coaches and team leaders is scheduled to begin at 14h00 on the Thursday 19th of April 2012 at Espace Nautique Hyérois – First floor (Registration for Paralympic competitors may take place at the Race Office when necessary). Registration will be closed at 15h00 on the Saturday 21st of April.

7.2 The first briefing for coaches and team leaders is scheduled on the Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of April 2012. Time and place will be defined later.

7.3 The first meeting with the umpires for competitors in the Women's Keelboat Match Racing event is scheduled for 18h00 on the Friday 20th of April 2012 at Espace Nautique Hyérois – First floor

7.4 The opening ceremony is scheduled to begin at 19h00 on the Saturday 21st of April 2012 at Competitors Marquee.

7.5 The schedule of races including medal races, in any, and dates of racing is as follows:

<b>Event</b>	<b>Racing Dates</b>	<b>Number of Races</b>
Men's One Person Dinghy	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Women's One Person Dinghy	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Men's Two Person Dinghy	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Women's Two Person Dinghy	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Men's Two Person Dinghy High Performance	22nd to 27th of April 2012	16
Men's Keelboat	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Women's Keelboat Match Racing	22nd to 27th of April 2012 practice days 20th & 21st	186
Men's Windsurfer	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Women's Windsurfer	22nd to 27th of April 2012	11
Paralympic One Person Keelboat	22nd to 27th of April 2012	10
Paralympic Two Person Keelboat	22nd to 27th of April 2012	10
Paralympic Three Person Keelboat	22nd to 27th of April 2012	10

7.6 On the Sunday 22nd of April 2012, the first warning signal will be made at 11h00 for fleet racing and at 10h00 for match racing. On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 14h00 for fleet racing and after 15h30 for Medal Races and no attention signal will be made after 15h00 for match racing.

## **8. MEASUREMENT**

8.1 Competitors shall provide copies of any measurement certificates required by class rules at the time of registration.

8.2 Competitors shall produce evidence of membership of the appropriate class association at the time of registration as may be required by the organising authority.

8.3 All boats shall carry national letters on their sails.

8.4 Boats shall be available for inspection from 14h00 to 18h00 on the Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> of April, from 9h00 to 19h00 on the Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of April and from 9h00 to 13h00 on the Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of April or as agreed in writing with the organising authority.

8.5 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the sailing instructions or event measurement regulations.

8.6 The equipment limitations as specified in the class rules shall apply.

8.7 The Women's Match Racing event will be sailed in boats supplied by the Organizing Authority. Eight International Elliot 6m Class boats will be provided, each with a mainsail, jib and spinnaker. Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available beginning the Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2012 at registration and on the event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the sailing instructions.

## **10. VENUE**

10.1 The regatta will be at Port Saint Pierre in Hyères. Addendum B shows the location of the regatta harbour.

10.2 The racing area will be Rade de Hyères between Port Saint Pierre and Porquerolles Island.

## **11. THE COURSES**

The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid except that any other courses adopted by ISAF for the 2012 Olympic Sailing Competition may also be used.

## **12. PENALTY SYSTEM**

For the Men's Two Person Dinghy High Performance and Two Person Paralympic events, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **13. 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.

## **14. SCORING**

### **14.1 Fleet Racing**

14.1.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply. RRS B8 is deleted.

14.1.2 At least 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta. When 5 or more opening series races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

14.1.3 In medal races, a boat's score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4.1, and the score for that race shall not be excluded from the series score.

14.1.4 Ties in the series score between boats with different medal race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat that scored better in the medal race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.

### **14.2 Match Racing**

14.2.1 The scoring system of RRS Appendix C will apply.

14.2.2 Add RRS Appendix C10.3(b): 'When a single round robin is terminated before completion, or a multiple round robin is terminated during the first round robin, the highest score shall be determined as the average points scored per match sailed by each competitor, unless one or more competitor has completed less than one third of the scheduled matches when the entire round robin shall be disregarded and if necessary the event declared void.'

## **15. SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL**

15.1 All support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.

15.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm.

15.3 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## **16. BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park or harbour.

## **17. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats assigned places in the harbour shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## **18. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

## **20 PRIZES**

20.1 Medals will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each event. The Organising Authority may alter prizes if less than 10 boats are entered in an event.

## **21 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least 1.500.000 Euros (or equivalent) per incident. This document shall be written in French or in English language.

## **22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor ISAF will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



## **23 MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT**

23.1 By participating in an event of the ISAF Sailing World Cup competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority, ISAF 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 the competition without compensation.

23.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority.

23.3 The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.

23.4 Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

## **24 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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===== ADDENDA =====

## **NoR ADDENDUM A**

### **ISAF Sailing World Cup Series**

#### **A1 Regattas**

The 2011-2012 ISAF SAILING WORLD CUP series is comprised of the following regattas:

Sail Melbourne – Melbourne, AUS

Rolex Miami OCR – Miami, Florida, USA

Trofeo SAR Princesa Sofia MAPFRE\* – Palma Majorca, ESP

Semaine Olympique Francaise\* – Hyeres, FRA

Delta Lloyd Regatta\* – Medemblik, NED

Kieler Woche\* – Kiel, GER

Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta\* – Weymouth & Portland, GBR

\*European regatta (see NoR A3.4)

#### **A2 Property**

The ISAF Sailing World Cup is owned by ISAF.

#### **A3 Sailing World Cup Series Scoring**

A3.1 For the purposes of SWC series scores, the SWC points scored by a boat shall be registered in the name of the helmsperson.

A3.2 A boat is not deemed to be competing in the SWC series until it has competed in at least one regatta during the current series.

A3.3 For each event at an ISAF Sailing World Cup regatta, the 20 boats ranked highest overall shall receive SWC points. The boat finishing in first place shall be scored 20 points, second place shall be scored 19 points, third place shall be scored 18 points, and so on. A boat finishing worse than twentieth place or not competing in the regatta shall be scored 0 points.

A3.4 A boat's SWC series score shall be the total of her top five (5) SWC series regattas. However, no more than four (4) European SWC regattas shall be counted.

A3.5 If a boat has two or more equal regatta scores, the score(s) for the regatta(s) sailed latest shall be counted.

A3.6 SWC series ties shall be broken in accordance with RRS A8, replacing 'race' with 'regatta.'

A3.7 A boat placing first, second or third in the regatta will forfeit the regatta SWC points if they fail to attend the prize giving ceremony without prior written permission from the Organizing Authority.

#### **A4 Eligibility and Entry and Quotas**

A4.1 For the purposes of determining the MNA Priority Order used in establishing eligibility and quotas, the order of each MNA's highest appearance on the ISAF Sailing World Cup standings will be determined:

A4.1.1 For Sail Melbourne, Rolex Miami OCR, Trofeo SAR Princesa Sofia MAPFRE, and Semaine Olympique Française, by the prior year ISAF Sailing World Cup final series standings, or

A4.1.2 For Delta Lloyd Regatta, Kieler Woche, and Skandia Sail for Gold Regatta, by the current year ISAF Sailing World Cup standings as of the Entry Quota deadline date.

A4.2 MNA's not appearing in the applicable SWC standings shall be sorted by application date and added at the end of the MNA Priority Order.

#### **A5 Prizes**

A5.1 ISAF will award prizes to the top three boats in the SWC Series.

A5.2 The ISAF Member National Authority whose competitors won the most gold medals in the SWC Series shall receive the Sailing World Cup Nations Trophy. If two or more countries are tied, the tied countries shall be ranked in order of the most silver medals, and if ties remain, in order of the most bronze medals. If ties still remain, the tied countries shall be listed in alphabetical order by IOC country code.

A5.3 The date, time and location of the of the SWC prize giving will be announced by ISAF.

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## **ADDENDUM B**

### **Fédération Française de Voile Prescriptions**

The Fédération Française de Voile prescriptions that will apply at the regatta are stated below:

#### **B1 RRS 64.3**

The Jury may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, a deposit covering the cost of checking arising from a measurement protest.

#### **B2 RRS 68**

Damages compensation and any other action, arising from damages, not provided in the RRS is the entire competitors' responsibility.

#### **B3 RRS 70.5**

In such circumstances, the written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile shall be received before publishing the notice of race and posted on the official board during the competition.

#### **B4 RRS 91**

The appointment of an international jury meeting the requirements of Appendix N or the appointment of any other jury without appeal is submitted to prior written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile. Such notice of approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

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**ADDENDUM C**

**Racing areas**

