

A – CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2014



**Cercle de la Voile de Bordeaux
Carcans-Maubuisson
June 21nd – 28th 2014**



NOTICE OF RACE

The A-CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2014 will be held from 21nd to 28th June 2014 in Carcans (Gironde-France), organized by the Cercle de la Voile de Bordeaux Carcans-Maubuisson along with the French A-Class Association.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by :

- 1.1 the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2 The I.A.C.A Championship Rules will apply.
- 1.3 Racing rule(s) will be changed as follows:
Rule 44.1 will be changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty;

2. ADVERTISING

In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 (Advertising Code), boats may be required to display the advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The regatta is open to all A-Class certified boats.

Competitors having a FFVoile licence shall present during registration:

- their valid FFVoile licence with medical stamp, or accompanied with a medical certificate (dated less than one year) certifying the absence of any medical objection to participate in sailing competition and a parental authorization for the minors,
- if necessary a valid authorization to display advertising on boat
- the measurement form or certificate of the boat

Foreign competitors without a FFVoile licence shall present during registration

- a supporting document to justify their membership to an ISAF Member national authority.
- the measurement form or certificate of the boat,
- a proof to be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 500 000 Euros.
- a parental authorization for the minors
- Yearly National Aclass certification fee

3.2 Maximum entries : 120 boats

Registration and payment are to be performed according IACA rules:

Until Feb.28th, 2014, selected competitors can register through their National Association

As of March 1st toward march 31st remaining entries will be redistributed toward each National Association. Additional selected competitors will be able to register through their National Association.

As of April 1st, remaining entries will be opened within the limits of 120 boats.

Direct registration will be allowed and to be performed through the Web based Cercle de Voile Bordeaux registration form.

Registration will be valid upon full payment of entry fee and Aclass 2014 yearly national fee.

A 50€ penalty will apply for late registration as of June 1st.

4. ENTRY FEES

Competitor registration fee is 220 €

Competitor Companion fee is 50 €

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday, 21/6

9.00h - 12.00h and 14.00h – 18.00h Registration and measurement

Sunday 22/6

9.00h - 12.00h and 14.00h – 18.00h Registration and measurement

14.00h Practice Race

Monday 23/6

13.00h Warning Signal – 2 races

Tuesday 24/6

13.00h Warning Signal – 2 races

Wednesday 25/6 13.00h Warning Signal – 2 races

Thursday 26/6

Extra day / Reserve Day

Friday 27/6

13.00h Warning Signal – 2 races

Saturday 28/6

11.00h Warning Signal – 1 race

6. Social Program

Sunday 22/6

18.00h Opening ceremony with

Welcome drink

Monday 23/6

After race daily brunch

Tuesday 24/6

After race Country Brunch . Competitors are kindly request to bring some specialties from their home land.

Wednesday 25/6

20:00 Official Dinner

Friday 27/6

After race daily brunch

Saturday 28/6

17:00 Prize giving

Closing ceremony, goodbye drink

7. RACES

A total number of 9 races are scheduled. A maximum number of three races may be sailed per racing day, but only in compliance with I.A.C.A. Championship Rules.

If the reserve day will be used the procedures will be detailed in the sailing instructions. Provided that at least 5 races have been completed, no warning signal will be made after 16.00 on the last day of the regatta.

8. MEASUREMENTS

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate at registration. Measurement and equipment inspection will be conducted in accordance with A Class Catamaran Measurement Guidelines. The Equipment Inspection Regulations for the Championship will be published on the Championship website no later than 1st June 2014.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

Preliminary Sailing Instructions may be posted on the Championship website.

The sailing instructions and their appendices will be available during confirmation of registration (see§6).
or <http://www.cerclevoilebordeaux.com/classeA/home> after 1 June.

10. INTERNATIONAL JURY

Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

11. SCORING

11.1 5 races must be completed to constitute a European Championship series.

11.2 If fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores.

11.3 If 6 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of the race scores excluding the worst score.

11.4 When 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

Coaches, team leaders and representatives from participating nations shall be registered at the Regatta Office before the first racing day.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

No equipment capable of radio transmissions or radio communications may be carried by any competitor while on the water (except if provided by the organizing authority). This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

14. PRIZES

Trophies or prizes should be awarded to the Top 10 classified of the event unless otherwise agreed with the IACA committee.

The top placed junior (aged less than 25)

Top placed master(45-50)

Top place grand master(51-55)

Top place female sailor

15. LIABILITY

15.1 The Cercle de la Voile de Bordeaux in association with the French A-Class Association and their officers, members and volunteers do not accept liability for loss of life or property, or personal injury or damage caused by or arising out of the regatta and competitors take part in the regatta at their own risk.

15.2 The establishment of the Notice of Race and the sailing Instruction in no way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor being solely and entirely responsible for the management of a boat he is sailing.

15.3 A competitor shall maintain their boat in a safe and seaworthy condition.

15.4 A competitor shall be of good health and a competent sailor capable of racing a A-class in open water in strong winds and it his sole responsibility to decide to participate in a race or to continue racing.

15.5 A competitor is recommended to have personal accident and health insurance that covers them while attending the regatta and whilst racing.

16. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

By entering the Championship competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the regatta facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, re-use, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitor's name or not, without compensation and without the competitor's approval of such images or any use thereof.

17. VENUE

The event will take place at the Cercle de la Voile de Bordeaux Carcans-Maubuisson (Gironde-France). For further information on the venue and the racing area, see the event website.

18. HOUSING and CAMPERS/CARAVANS

Campers and caravans are only allowed on the designated area in the Bombannes zone.

Competitors who desire a space for camper, caravan or tent will follow the instructions of the authorized personnel after their request at

VACANCES POUR TOUS

tel : + 33 (0)5 56 03 95 00

site web : <http://www.vacances-pour-tous.org>

19. ACCOMODATION

Competitors shall make their own housing arrangements.

Accommodation's proposals can be found via the event

website club : <http://www.cerclevoilebordeaux.com/classeA/home>

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

You will find further information on the event website

<http://www.cerclevoilebordeaux.com/classeA/home>

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AMENDMENT N° 1 to the NOTICE of RACE

Splitting of participants into 2 fleets "Fleet splitting"

1. Criteria for splitting

If necessary, to guarantee excellent sailing conditions and a fair competition, the organising Nation can require together with the application for the event the procedure of the "Fleet Splitting" around 80 entries

2. Procedure of "Fleet Splitting" and approval

- Allocation to fleet A and fleet B will be made random.
- The qualification fleets will be balanced in respect of number of sailors.

3. Event-programme

Saturday 21/06: Registration, measurements

Sunday 22/06: Registration, measurements + One practice race (fleet A&B)

Monday 23/06: two Races, Phase qualifying for each fleet (A&B)

Fleet can remain as be re-allocated based on the overall available results only if 2 races was validated. (Sailors No. 1, 3, 5, etc. in Fleet A and sailors No. 2, 4, 6 etc. in Fleet B).

If all groups of a split fleet have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the groups with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all groups have completed the same number of races.

Tuesday 24/06: two Races, Phase qualifying for each fleet (A&B)

If within two days, less than 4 races have been conducted, Wednesday will be used for complementary qualifications races.

In such event, reserve day (Thursday) will be used for final races.

The classification of qualification will be established with four races (minus the worst result). If only three races, ranking with three races. Minimum three races shall be necessary to validate Phase qualifying.

Wednesday 25/06: Two Races, phase final (Gold fleet and Silver fleet) or races qualification.

Thursday 26/06: Reserve day or two races (see above) (gold fleet and silver fleet)

Friday 27/06: Two Races for Gold and Silver fleet. Two races per fleet

Saturday 28/06: Two Races for Gold and Silver fleet. Different final-series groups need not have completed the same number of race.

Minimum 6 races (qualifying + Final) to validate the championship. Maximum ten races.

When from 4 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

4. Trophies and Prizes

- Trophies or prizes should be awarded to the Top 5 classified of the Golden Fleet and to the Top 5 classified of the Silver Fleet unless otherwise agreed with the I.A.C.A. Committee.
- Trophies or prizes should be awarded to the first female sailor classified of the Golden Fleet and to the first female classified of the Silver Fleet unless otherwise agreed with the I.A.C.A. Committee
- Trophies or prizes should also be awarded to the top placed junior (aged less than 25), master (aged 45-50), grand master (aged 51-55) and great grand master (aged 56 plus) starting from the rank of the Gold Fleet
- The World Championship and Continental Perpetual Trophies shall be awarded to the highest ranking qualified sailors from the final standing of the Gold Fleet.
- In case of Continental-Championship, the first classified of the respective continent will obtain the title of the "Continental Champion" starting from the rank of the Gold Fleet,