

# A – CLASS EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2014

Cercle de la Voile de Bordeaux Carcans-Maubuisson June 21<sup>nd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 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.28<sup>th</sup>, 2014, selected competitors can register through their National Association

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

As of April 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 $\in$  penalty will apply for late registration as of June 1<sup>st</sup>.

# **4.ENTRY FEES**

Competitor registration fee is 220 € Competitor Companion fee is 50 €

#### 6. 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

7. 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

## 8. 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.

#### 9. 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.

#### **10. 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.

#### **11. INTERNATIONAL JURY**

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

#### **12. SCORING**

12.1 5 races must be completed to constitute a European Championship series.

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

**12.3** 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.

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

## **14. SUPPORT BOATS**

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

# **15. 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.

#### **16. 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

# **17.LIABILITY**

**17.1** 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.

**17.2** 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.

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

**17.4** 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.

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

## **18. 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.

# **19. 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.

#### 20. 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

#### **21. 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

# 22. FURTHER INFORMATION

You will find further information on the event website http://www.cerclevoilebordeaux.com/classeA/home or Monsieur Christophe RICHARD Résidence Les Alpilles (appt76) 3 rue de l'espéranto 33310 LORMONT Tèl : +33 (0)6 12 65 51 07 email : voilecvbcm@gmail.com