



2009 COUPE DE L'ENTENTE CORDIALE

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

The Organising Authority, La Société Nautique de La Trinité (SNT), in association with the Union Française des 6 Mètre J.I., is pleased to invite you to participate in the 2009 Coupe de l'Entente Cordiale (hereafter designated as the "Cup").

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by:

- the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2009/2012 (RRS),
- the ISMA Class Rule,
- the FFVoile prescriptions to rules 60, 64.3, 68, 70.4, 78.1 and 90 which are stated in full in Appendix 1 below. (The other FFVoile prescriptions do not apply.)
- the Final Notice of Race, except to the extent that it be amended by the Sailing Instructions,
- the Sailing Instructions and their amendments. (If there are discrepancies between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the interpretation and decision of the International Jury shall prevail.)

2. Advertising

The regatta is designated a Category C event under ISAF Regulation 20. Advertising is thus permitted:

- on spinnakers
- on the transom
- when moored on flags on the forestay
- on one flag of an event sponsor hoisted on the backstay not higher than two meters above the waterline. The dimensions of the flag shall not exceed 30 cm x 60 cm
- whilst moored, all boats shall fly the regatta logo flag on their forestay. A sponsor's pennant is to be flown on the backstay at all times.

Competitors may be asked by the SNT to display flags of supporting companies before and after racing.

3. Eligibility and Entries

The Cup shall be open to International 6 Metre Yachts holding a valid certificate of rating.

All entrants shall have paid their 2009 membership dues to their ISMA affiliate national association or, for those entrants whose home port is outside the countries of the ISMA affiliate national associations, directly to ISMA.

- Yachts may enter by completing the Official Entry Form and paying the Entry Fee of 300 €.
- Completed Entry Form and Entry fee shall be received by SNT no later than May, 15th, 2009.
- The entry fee is non-refundable.

- Each entrant shall provide at the time of Registration:
 - a. for each French crew member, a valid FFV racing license,
 - b. the Measurement Certificate and Measurement Form of the Yacht,
 - c. parental authorization for minors,
 - d. a crew list of a maximum of 6 persons. Substitution of crew members within this list shall only be allowed in special cases, and subject to the approval of the International Jury,

4 Programme and race schedule races

4.1 Racing programme

Day 1: Thursday June 11th	Registration and measurement
Day 2: Friday June 12th	Registration, measurement until 12:00 followed by Warning signal at 14:00 Opening Ceremony
Day 3: Saturday June 13th	Warning signal at 10.30
Day 4: Sunday June 14th	Warning signal at 10.30
Day 5: Monday June 15th	Warning signal at 10.30 Prize Ceremony at 18:00

Notes

- There will be no warning signal later than 17:00
- A maximum of 10 races will be sailed.
- Three races may be sailed on any day, at the discretion of the Race Committee, in order to suit local conditions, to achieve a minimum total of 5 races;
- The schedule and times mentioned above may be changed by the Organising Authority in the Sailing Instructions.

4.2 Social events

A programme will be published later on.

5. Class

The Championship shall be sailed in 2 classes:

Moderns

Classics

with 2 different scores. There will be 1 start. If the total number of entrants exceeds 20, the Race Committee may decide to have two starts, one for the Modern followed up by one for the Classics.

6. Courses & Time limit

The courses to be sailed will be windward / leeward type:

Racing will be on the Quiberon Bay.

There shall be a time limit of 30 minutes for Modern Yachts and 35 minutes for Classic Yachts to complete each leg. All yachts finishing the race within the prescribed time or within one hour after the first yacht to finish shall be scored. All others shall be scored DNF.

The Organizing Authority may, with the approval of ISMA, use modified courses to suit local conditions.

7. Alternative Penalties

RRS 44.3 Scoring Penalty will apply. The penalty in 44.3 will be ONE place worse than the finishing place.

8. Protests & Appeals

An international Jury shall be appointed, in accordance to RRS Appendix N, and its decisions shall be final and not subject to appeal (RRS 70.4).

9. Scoring

Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A – Low Point System,

The Championship shall be valid if 5 (five) races are sailed.

If more than:

- 8 races are sailed, the two worst results will be discarded;
- 5 races and less than 8 races are sailed, the worst result will be discarded.

A minimum of FIVE races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

10. Competitor support vessels

Tenders, weather boats, and support vessels will be permitted within the race course during racing. Regulations concerning the conduct of those boats will be indicated in the Sailing Instructions.

11. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

12. Prizes

Prizes will be given as follows:

- The “Coupe de l’ “Entente Cordiale” will be awarded to the boat with the best overall score for each regatta,
- For each regatta a prize will be awarded to the boats with the best score in each of two categories: “Classic” and “Modern”.

13. Responsibilities

All competitors taking part in the regatta do so entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4: The decision to race). The organising authorities do not accept any responsibility in the case of damage to equipment, injuries or death within the framework of the regatta, which includes before, during and after the regatta.

14. Measurement

All competing boats must conform to the Class Rule.

15. Diving equipment and plastic pools:

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

16. Radio communication

Except in an emergency or when communicating with the Race Committee, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

17. Insurance

Each participating boat must be in possession of valid third party insurance or equivalent, with a minimum cover of 1.5 million Euros, for the event. Each participant will provide the Organizing Authority with the original of the yacht's Insurance Certificate, if requested to do so.

18. Location

Boats will be moored in the harbour of La Trinité.

19. Accommodation

Competitors should make their own accommodation. Early booking is recommended.

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APPENDIX 1

Prescriptions of the Federation Française de Voile

RRS 60:

FFVoile Prescription:

No fee or deposit can be required for lodging a protest, except for some measurement protests [see FFvoile prescription to rule 64.3(d)]

RRS 64.3:

FFVoile Prescription:

The Protest committee may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, for a deposit of €150 towards the cost of any re-measurement arising from a measurement protest.

RRS 68:

FFVoile Prescription:

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

RRS 70.4:

FFVoile Prescription:

In such circumstances, the written approval of the FFVoile shall be received before publishing the Notice of Race and posted on the Official Notice Board during the competition.

RRS 78.1:

FFVoile Prescription:

The boat's owner or other person in charge shall, under his sole responsibility, make sure moreover that his boat comply with equipment and security rules prescribed by the laws, by-laws, and regulations of the Administration.

RRS 90:

FFVoile Prescription:

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 FFVoile. Such Notice of approval shall be posted on the Official Notice Board during the event.