



29er

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

*EUROCUP 29er
COYCHyères
From 29th March to 1st April 2024*

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply as amended by SI 14.1
- 1.3 The 29er Class Race Management guidelines (see International Class website under Events and Race Management) will apply.
- 1.4 French National prescriptions will apply
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 30 minutes before flag D is displayed (SI 4.2), except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 19:00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITOR

Notices to competitors will be posted:

- on the official notice board on line: <https://www.coych.org/en/regate/29er-eurocup-2024/>
- and on the WhatsApp group:



4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag poles located at the Base Nautique.
- 4.2 Flag D with one sound means: "The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed". Boats shall not launch until this signal is made.

5. FORMAT OF RACING EITHER

5.1 The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

5.2 Qualifying Series:

1. (a) For the qualifying series boats will be assigned to 2 fleet (pennant and without pennant), as nearly as possible, equal size and ability. Initial fleet assignments will be made by a seeding committee appointed by the Class, and posted by 13:00 on the first day of racing.
2. (b) In the qualifying series boats will be reassigned to fleets after each day of racing. If all fleets have completed the same number of races, boats will be reassigned on the basis of their ranks in the series. If all fleets have not completed the same number of races the series scores for reassignment will be calculated for those races, numbered in order of completion, completed by all fleets. Reassignments will be made as follows :
1, 2, 2,1

5.3 If all fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. All boats will thereafter race in the new fleets.

5.4 Final Series only for the last day: Boats will be assigned to final series fleets Gold and Silver on the basis of their ranks in the qualifying series by equality (no less 3 races).

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 The Championship schedule will be as follows:

Friday 29th March 2024	8h30 to 13h 14h 18h30	Registration First warning signal Opening Ceremony
Saturday 30th March 2024	11h After Racing	First warning signal Snacking
Sunday 31 March 2024	11h After Racing	First warning signal Snacking
Monday 1st April 2024	10h30 After Racing ASAP	First warning signal Prize Giving Ceremony

6.2 On Monday 1st April there will be no warning signal after 14h30

6.4 A daily coaches' briefing is scheduled for 1.30 hour before the first start of the day.

7. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be the class insignia on a pink flag for the fleet without pennant and class insignia on pink flag with a yellow pennant for the fleet "with pennant".

8. RACING AREA

Attachment B shows the location of racing areas.

Without information during the coach meeting of the day, Alpha Area will be the race area. If Bravo area will be used it will be announced at the coach briefing of the day.

9. THE COURSE

9.1 The diagram in Attachment C shows the course, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. Type of courses will be posted on a board on the race committee boat before each race.

9.2 No later than the warning signal the course signals and the approximate compass bearing and course length of the first leg will be displayed on a board on the start line committee boat.

9.3 A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port

9.4 Races will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

10. MARKS

10.1 Marks 1, 1A, 2S, 2P: Orange

Change mark : Green

Finishing line be race committee vessels.

10.2 Starting marks be race committee vessels.

11. THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the race committee vessels.

11.2 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with ONE sound signal not less than four minutes before the warning signal is displayed.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staffs displaying blue flags on the race committee vessel and boat with blue flag.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply as amended by SI 14.2.

14.2 RRS 44.1 is changed as follows. The penalty under RRS P2.1 shall be a One-Turn Penalty. RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one. RRS P2.3 will not apply.

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

15.1 Time limits and target times are as follows: Time limit 45 minutes / Target time 30 minutes

15.2 If no boat has finished within the Time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office (entrance of Espace Nautique). Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

16.3 Notices will be posted on line on the WhatsApp Group and on the website <https://www.coych.org/en/regate/29er-eurocup-2024/> no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at Base Nautique (1st floor)).

16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b): <https://www.coych.org/en/regate/29er-eurocup-2024/>

16.5 A list of boats that, under SI 14.2, have been penalized for breaking rule 42 will be posted on line (<https://www.coych.org/en/regate/29er-eurocup-2024/>) .

16.6 Breaches of SIs 2, 20 and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.

16.7 On the last qualifying and scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17 ARBITRATION: Appendix T will apply

18. SCORING

18.1 FOUR races are required to be completed by all fleets to constitute a regatta

18.2 When fewer than FIVE races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

18.3 When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18.4 When 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores (only one in finale series).

18.5 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices adequate for the conditions. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.

19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19.3 Under all circumstances coaches and other support boats are expected to assist any boat in distress.

19.4 When Flag V is displayed by the race committee signal vessel, coach and other support boats will collaborate with the race committee in rescue tasks (RRS37 Search and rescue instructions)

20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW

20.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee

20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21. EQUIPMENT & MEASUREMENT CHECKS

21.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21.2 Only one set of sails and one forestay may be used during the regatta.

22. OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be identified as follows: COYCH Flag and Jury with Jury Flag yellow with Jury blue dark.

23. SUPPORT BOATS

23.1 Support boats shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and registered the sail number of all their competitors and will be required to comply with local legislation and the 29er Class Support Boat Regulations (see International Class website under Events and Race Management)

23.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

23.3 If called upon support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

24. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

25. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

No competitor or support team shall use a drone over the racing area.

26. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories,

Top 3 Male teams

Top 3 Female teams

Top Mixed gender team

Top Under 17 male team

Top Under 17 female team

27. RIGHTS TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESSES

Where consent has been given for imagery, competitors grant to the Organising Authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

28. RISK STATEMENT RRS 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states:

“The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore;
- c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances
- g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the event and to attend any safety briefing held for this event.

29. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-part insurance with a minimum cover of Euros 1.5 million per event or the equivalent.

Attachement A

FFVoile Prescriptions to RRS 2021-2024 translated for foreign competitors Prescriptions of the Fédération Française de Voile Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024

FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 25.1** (*Notice of race, sailing instructions and signals*):

For events graded 4 and 5, standard notices of race and sailing instructions including the specificities of the event shall be used. Events graded 4 may have dispensation for such requirement, after receipt of FFVoile approval, received before the notice of race has been published.

For events graded 5, posting of sailing instructions will be considered as meeting the requirements of RRS 25.1 application.

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 64.4** (*Decisions on protests concerning class rules*):

The protest committee may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, a deposit covering the cost of checking arising from a protest concerning class rules.

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 67** (*Damages*):

Any question or request related to damages arising from an incident occurred while a boat was bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing depends on the appropriate courts and cannot be examined and dealt by a protest committee.

A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that such action, admit liability for damages.

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 70.5** (*Appeals and requests to a national authority*):

The denial of the right of appeal is subject to the written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile, received before publishing the notice of race. This approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 76.1** (*Exclusion of boats or competitors*):

An organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary reason.

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 78.1** (*Compliance with class rules; certificates*):

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

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 86.3** (*Changes to the racing rules*):

An organizing authority wishing to change a rule listed in RRS 86.1(a) in order to develop or test new rules shall first submit the changes to the FFVoile, in order to obtain its written approval and shall report the results to FFVoile after the event. Such approval shall be mentioned in the notice of race and in the sailing instructions and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 88.2** (*Changes to prescriptions*):

Prescriptions of the FFVoile shall not be changed in the notice of race and sailing instructions, except for events for which an international jury has been appointed.

In such case, the prescriptions marked with an asterisk (*) shall not be changed in the notice of race and sailing instructions. (The official translation of the prescriptions, downloadable on the FFVoile website www.ffvoile.fr, shall be the only translation used to comply with RRS 90.2(b)).

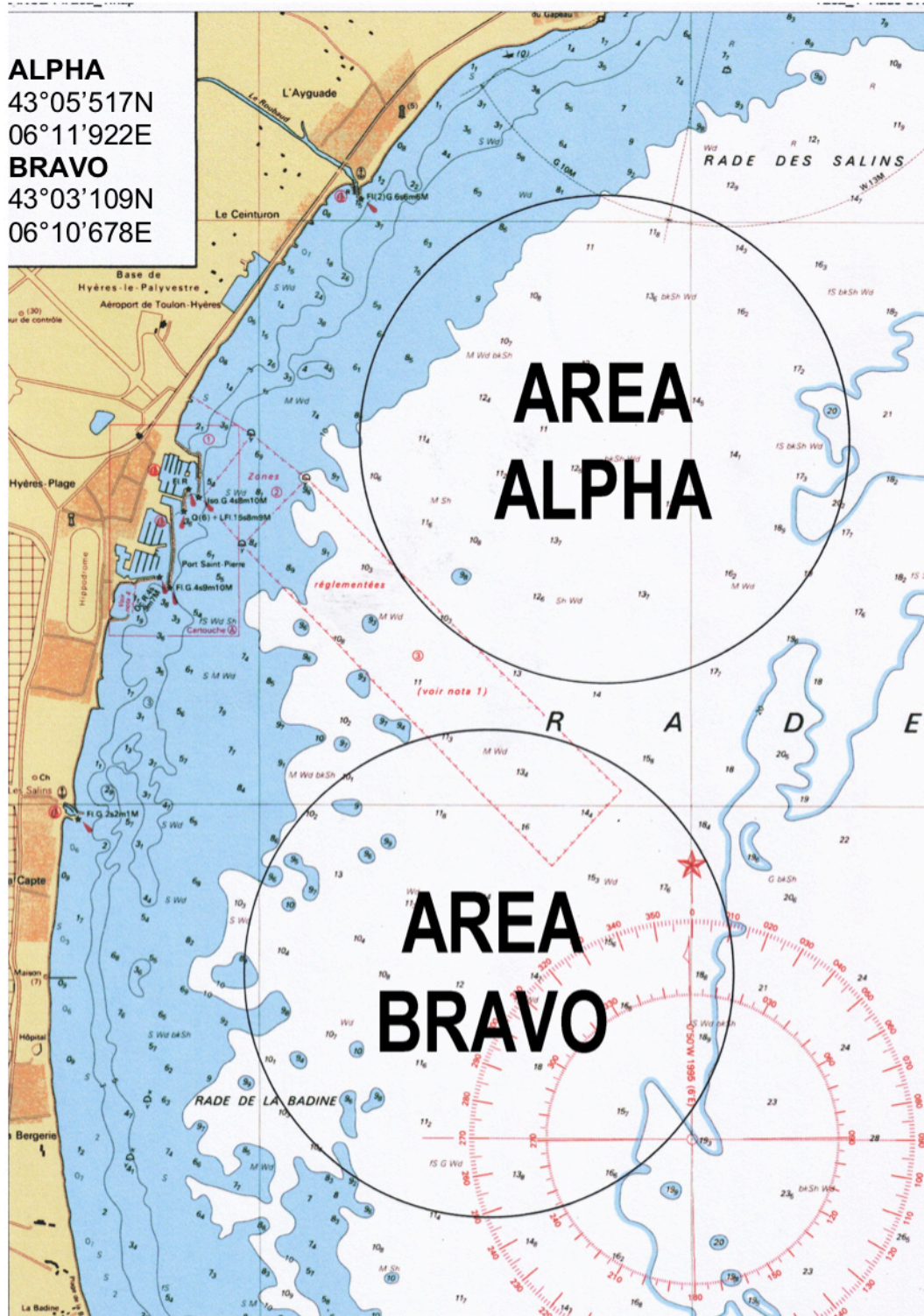
(* FFVoile Prescription to **RRS 91(b)** (*Protest committee*):

The appointment of an international jury meeting the requirements of Appendix N is subject to prior written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile. Such approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

FFVoile Prescription to **APPENDIX R** (*Procedures for appeals and requests*):

Appeals shall be sent to the head-office of Fédération Française de Voile, 17 rue Henri Bocquillon, 75015 Paris – email: jury.appel@ffvoile.fr, using preferably the appeal form downloadable on the website of Fédération Française de Voile: <http://espaces.ffvoile.fr/media/127235/formulaire-dappel.pdf>

ANNEXE RACING AREAS
Attachment B



Attachment C

L COURSE WINDWARD/LEEWARD with reaching finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L 2	Start – 1 – 1A – 2S/2P – 1 – 1A – 2P - Finish
L 3	Start – 1 -1A – 2S/2P – 1 – 1A – 2S/2P – 1 – 2P - Finish

