



National Optimist and Laser Championship

Société des Régates Calédoniennes, Côte Blanche
October 12 to 15 2017

Nouméa, New-Caledonia

Notice of Race

1. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by:

1.1. Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*

1.1.1. National prescriptions for foreign competitors are defined in joined appendix named "prescriptions"

1.2. Regulations of the F.F.Voile

1.3. The current class rules and their prescriptions of IODA and ILCA.

1.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the French text will take precedence.

1.5. Alterations of racing rules:

1.5.1. The racing rules will be changed in accordance with rule 86.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display the advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, WS regulation 20.9 will apply

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1. The regatta is open to the Optimist and Laser classes.

3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form available at the club on October 12

3.3. Competitors (each crew member) living in France shall present during registration:

- the valid and signed F.F.Voile's licence with health certificate and a parents' permission for the minors,

- A valid authorization to display advertising on boat, if necessary

3.4. Foreign competitors without a french licence shall present on registration :

- a supporting document proving the membership of a WS Member National authority
- a valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 500 000 €.

3.5. The Optimist regatta is open to all competitors born in the year 2002 or later
Proof of age will be required with each entry (photocopy acceptable).

4. ENTRY FEES

The entry fee will be as follows 51 € per boat

Class	Fee
Optimist or Laser	51 € or 6 000 XPF

5. GROUPS

Optimist : Open fleet and Green fleet
Laser : Single fleet

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Confirmation of registration: October 12th from 9h00 to 11h00
6.2 Inspection for equipment: October 12th from 9h00 to 11h00
6.3 Days of racing

Date	Time of first warning signal	Number of race
October 12	11h30	6
October 13	9h30	6
October 14	9h30	6
October 15	9h30 (no warning signal after 14h00)	3

7. MEASUREMENT

Competitors are allowed to use only one hull, dagger board, rudder (with tiller and extension), mast, boom, sprit and sail during the Regatta.
Inspection for equipment may be conducted at the discretion of the measurer.
Measurement checks and inspections may be carried out at any time. A boat notified of inspection shall follow the instructions of the race committee.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions and their appendices will be available during confirmation of registration on October 12th.

9. THE COURSES

Shall be as described in the sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44 will apply (two-turn penalty).

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low-Points scoring system of Appendix A will apply.
11.2 Three races will be required to be completed to constitute a championship.
11.3 When from 6 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
11.4 When from 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12. 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 also applies to mobile telephones.

13. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- Optimist Sailors: 1st through 3rd for boys and girls in the Open category
- Optimist Sailors: born in 2006 and later ("Benjamins")
- Optimist Sailors: born between 2002 and 2005 ("Minimes")
- Optimist Sailors: 1st through 3rd in the Green category
- Laser 4.7, Radial and Standard

3 competitors are required in each category to validate the prize giving.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Decision to race or to continue racing is their own responsibility.

The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

15 INSURANCE

Each foreign competitor without F.F.Voile licence shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 500 000 euros.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

For any further information, please contact:

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FFVoile Prescriptions to RRS 2017-2020 translated for foreign competitors

RRS 25 FFVoile Prescription (*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

RRS 64.3 FFVoile Prescription (*):

The jury 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.

RRS 67 FFVoile Prescription (*):

Any question about or request of damages arising from an incident involving a boat bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing or International Regulation to Prevent Collision at Sea depends on the appropriate courts and will not be dealt by the jury.

RRS 70. 5 FFVoile Prescription (*):

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

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 the equipment and security rules required by the laws, by-laws and regulations of the Administration.

RRS 86.3 FFVoile Prescription (*):

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 authorization 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.

RRS 88 FFVoile Prescription (*):

Prescriptions of the FFVoile shall be neither changed nor deleted 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 be neither changed nor deleted 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)).

RRS 91(b) FFVoile Prescription (*):

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 authorization shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.