



## 2014 JUNIOR AND SENIOR FINN OPEN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

SRR – La Rochelle

02 May 2014 to 10 May 2014

# NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. Organizing Authority and Venue

- 1.1 The 2014 JUNIOR AND SENIOR FINN OPEN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP will be held from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2014 in La Rochelle, France.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is the SRR (Société des Régates Rochelaises) in conjunction with the International Finn Association and the French Finn Class Association.

### 2. Rules

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the International Finn Class Major Championship rules. These may be changed, where permitted, by the sailing instructions.
- 2.2 ISAF Addendum Q will apply to the Medal Race. The version to be used will be available on the ISAF website on the first day of the event unless printed in the sailing instructions.
- 2.3 The prescriptions of the Fédération Française de Voile that apply are shown in full in Attachment B.
- 2.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 2.5 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority. Such advertising, if any, shall be displayed in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.6 All competitors will be required to wear an adequate personal floatation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.
- 2.7 Boats will be required to display their national flag on their sail in accordance with the Class Rules.

### 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 Eligible competitors shall be current members of an IFA recognised National Finn Association. They shall complete on-site registration prior to 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2014 (4PM), unless the Organizing Authority extends this date.
- 3.2 The entry quota of Part D "Entry System for IFA Official Championships" of the Finn Class Rules will apply.
- 3.3 To be eligible for the Junior European Championship competitors shall not have been born before 1<sup>st</sup> January 1992.
- 3.4 Entries shall be submitted online prior to 2<sup>nd</sup> April, unless extended by the Organizing Authority. The entry form is available at [www.finneuropeans.org/ec2014](http://www.finneuropeans.org/ec2014)
- 3.5 The Entry Fee is EUR 175 and shall be paid in full by 2<sup>nd</sup> April as detailed on the entry form.
- 3.6 An entry is not complete until any entry fees have been paid, the entry has been accepted by the Organizing Authority and the International Finn Association, and registration has been completed.
- 3.7 Valid measurement certificates shall be presented or their existence verified at on-site registration in accordance with RRS 78.2.

### 4. Competition Format

- 4.1 Eleven races are scheduled, comprising a fleet series and a medal race or final race.
- 4.2 The ten boats ranked highest in the fleet series will be assigned to compete in the medal race, the remaining boats will be assigned to compete in the final race.
- 4.3 This format may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.

## 5. Event Schedule

- 5.1 The event schedule may be changed with the approval of the IFA and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions, however, the days allocated for racing will not be changed.

Date	Event	Time	Location
Friday, 2 May	Measurement Registration Opening Ceremony	10am to 6pm 10am to 6 pm 7pm	Measurement at Pôle France Registration at Club
Saturday, 3 May	Measurement and Registration	9.30am to 6pm	Measurement at Pôle France Registration at Club
Sunday, 4 May	Measurement and Registration  Competitor's Meeting Practice race	9.00 to 12am  12am 2 pm	Measurement at Pôle France Registration at Club
Monday, 5 May	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal		
Tuesday, 6 May	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal		
Wednesday, 7 May	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal		
Thursday, 8 May	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal		
Friday, 9 May	Racing (2 races scheduled) First Warning Signal		
Saturday, 10 May	Racing Medal Race and Final Race First Warning Signal Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving	   After races	   At Club

## 6. Schedule of Races and Attendance at Ceremonies

- 6.1 Two races are scheduled for each day of racing, except for the final day when the Medal Race & Final Race are scheduled. An additional race may be scheduled on any day to enable the full number of scheduled races to be sailed. A maximum of three races per day will be sailed. This schedule may be changed to fit with any changes to NOR 4 and 5 permitted by the IFA.
- 6.2 Succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous races.
- 6.3 No warning signal will be made after 4 pm on 10<sup>th</sup> of May
- 6.4 All participants are requested by the International Finn Class and the Organizing Authority to attend the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

## 7. Measurement

- 7.1 All boats shall undergo measurement of hulls, spars and sails as well as equipment checks according the Finn Class Rules (including item 10 of Part C "Major Championship Rules") unless otherwise decided by the IFA Chief Measurer. All measured equipment will be identified for the Championship. Only identified equipment may be used during the Championship.
- 7.2 Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the Regatta at the discretion of the Class Representative, Race Committee or the International Jury.

## 8. Sailing Instructions

- 8.1 The Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available at on-site registration. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website prior to this date.



## **9. Racing Area**

9.1 The intended race-course area will be Baie de la Rochelle. See Attachment A.

## **10. Courses**

10.1 Courses will be as per the current IFA Championship Rules.

## **11. Scoring**

11.1 Four races shall be completed to constitute a valid championship.

11.2 Five races shall be completed in the fleet series before a medal race or final race are scheduled.

11.3 The Low Point Scoring system will be amended in the SI to account for the medal race.

11.4 Scoring may be changed to fit with changes to NOR 4 and 5 permitted by the IFA

## **12. International Jury**

12.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N and perform the duties listed in RRS N2.

12.2 Decisions of the Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5

## **13. Prizes**

13.1 The class perpetual trophies will be awarded, including the winner of the Finn European Championship. The Organizing Authority will provide prizes for the top 10 boats overall and top 5 juniors.

## **14. Insurance**

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €1,500,000 or the equivalent thereof in any other currency for any one incident. By entering the event each competitor declares that they hold such insurance.

14.2 Insurance can be obtained through [www.finneuropeans.org/ec2014](http://www.finneuropeans.org/ec2014).

## **15. Media Consent: Rights to use Names & Likenesses**

15.1 Competitors and / or their Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority, the International Finn Association and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

## **16. Disclaimer of Liability**

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or properties occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the Yacht Club premises. The Organizing Authority and the International Finn Association, and their respective members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

## **Information**

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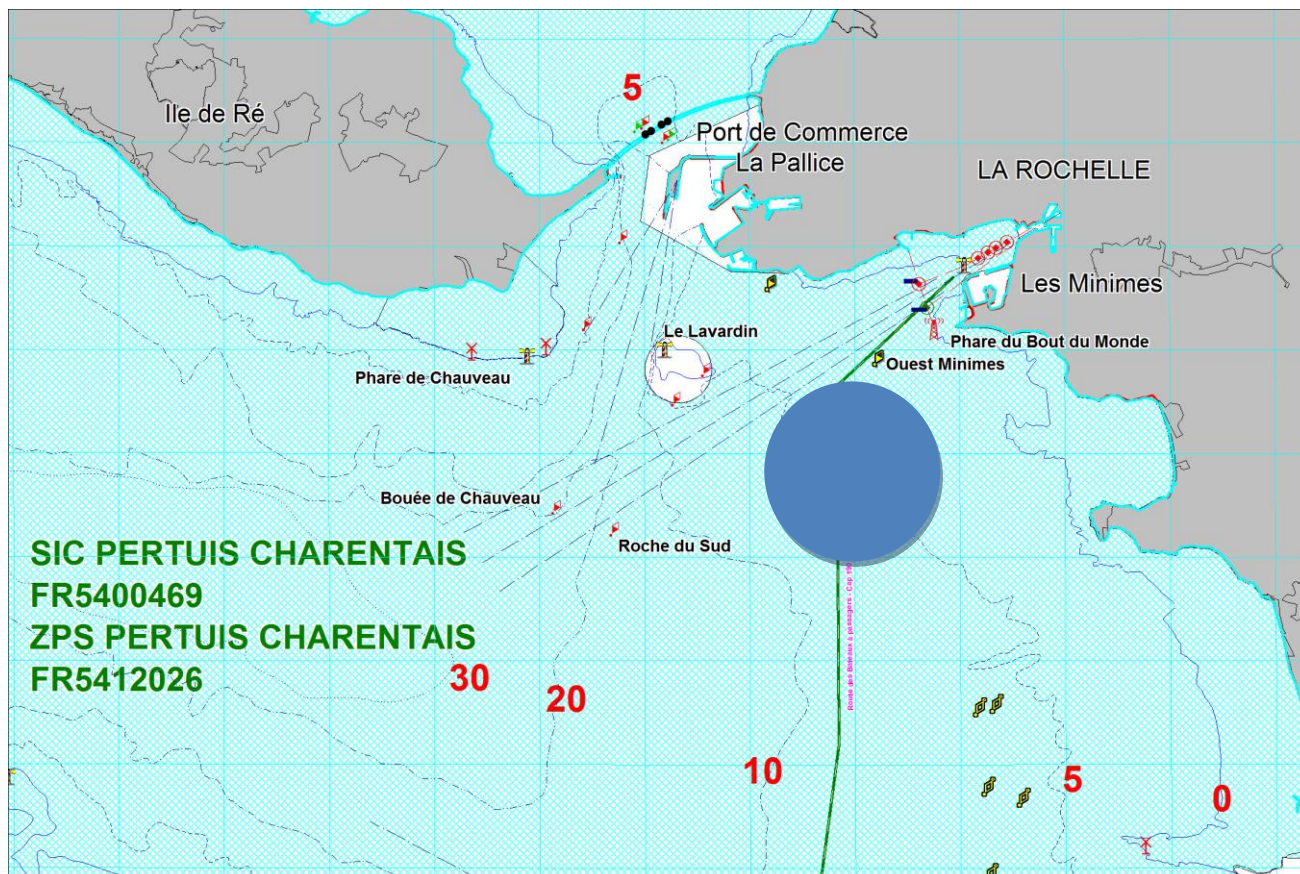
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**ATTACHMENT A**





## ATTACHMENT B

The following prescriptions of the French National Authority will apply:

### **B1- RRS 64.3 DECISIONS ON PROTESTS CONCERNING CLASS RULES**

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.

### **B2- RRS 67 DAMAGES**

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

### **B3- RRS 70. 5 APPEALS AND REQUESTS TO A NATIONAL AUTHORITY**

In such circumstances, the written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile shall be received before publishing the notice of race and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

### **B4- RCV 86.3 CHANGES TO THE RACING RULES**

An organizing authority wishing to change a rule listed in RRS 86.1 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, in the sailing instructions, and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

### **B5- RRS 88 NATIONAL PRESCRIPTIONS**

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](http://www.ffvoile.fr) , shall be the only translation used to comply with RRS 90.2(b)).

### **B6- RRS 91 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 notice of approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.