



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## Pornichet Select 6.5 ORGANIZATION Loire-Atlantique Course au Large



From April 26 to May 2, 2023  
Grade 4

This 300MN race is reserved only for single-handed sailors coming under the Mini Class.  
Following the joint decision of the Mini Class and the French Sailing federation, the « Pornichet Select 6.5 » constitutes an event of the « **Mini 6.50 Single-Handed Off Shore Race French Championship (CFCLS)** ».

*The notation [NP] (No Protest) in one of the rules of the sailing instructions (SI) means a boat may not protest against another one for breaking this rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a)  
The mention (DP) in a rule of the SIs means that the penalty for a breach of this rule may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee.*

### 1. RULES

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*  
In case of translation of these SI, French text will prevail.  
The NoR and his rules have to be taken into account.

### 2. AMENDMENTS TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any Sailing Instructions modification will be posted at last 2h00 before the warning signal of the race concerned by the change, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20h00 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Sailing Instructions modifications may be done on the water through VH with acknowledge of receipt of each boat

### 3. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to the competitors will be available on official notice board which is located under the La Pornichet Select 6,5 Village tent.
- 3.2 The race head office is located at the end of the North pier of the harbor of Pornichet  
**mob: +33 (0)6 43 29 42 64 and + 33 (0)6 10 36 10 75 mail: [directeurdecourse@la-cl.com](mailto:directeurdecourse@la-cl.com)**
- 3.3 **VHF chanel 8**. The race committee will watch over and communicate with the competitors on this chanel.

### 4. BEHAVIOUR CODE

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons will comply with the reasoned requests of the Race Officials.
- 4.2 [DP] [NP] Competitors and support persons will manage the beacon provided by the organization and locate the advertising provided by the organization authority with care as good seaman according to the use instructions and without interfering with its operation.

### 5. ASHORE SIGNALS

- 5.1 The signal made ashore will be displayed on the mast located at the end of the North pier of the harbor of Pornichet
- 5.2 When Ap flag is displayed, the Warning Signal cannot not be made less than 60mn after the lowering of the Ap flag (this changes Race Signals)

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 6.1 Dates of the races

Date	Class	Class
Saturday April 29	Proto and serial	Departure at 13.00
Tuesday May 2	Proto and serial	Prize ceremony at 12.00

6.2 The scheduled time for the warning signal is 12.55.

## 7. CLASS FLAG

The class Flag is the flag of the Mini 6.5 Class.

## 8. RACING AREAS

The racing area is defined in [Appendix 3 RACING AREA](#).

## 9. COURSES

9.1 Courses are described in [Appendix n°3 COURSES](#). the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side to which each mark is to be left, as well as the indicative length of the legs

9.2.1 At last at the warning signal, the Race Committee may display the "D" flag if the course includes an offset mark. He will display a green flag to signal that the mark is to be rounded on starboard. Absence of green flag means that the offset mark is to be rounded on port (this changes Race Signals). The offset mark will be an orange cylindrical buoy.

9.2.2 At last at the warning signal, the Race Committee may display the "D" flag + Yellow if the course includes an **offset dog leg**. He will display a green flag to signal that the dog leg is to be rounded on starboard. Absence of green flag means that the offset dog leg is to be rounded on port (this changes Race Signals).

9.3 **In case of reduced course**, gates or marks to be rounded, are precised in [Appendix 2 COURSES](#)

### 9.4 Official Pointing at a mark

The race committee may interrupt a race according to one of the causes foreseen by the RCV 32.1 and validate it by taking as order of arrival the last official score to one of the marks to be rounded specified in [Appendix 2 COURSES](#) (this modifies RCV 32). The implementing rules are set out in [Appendix 2 COURSES](#).

Pointer boats may be located close to each mark.

Any competitor has to do a self-pointing at the passage of the marks as indicated in the declaration of arrival and provide these pointings after arrival to the race secretariat as soon as possible [Appendix 6](#) (for arrival between 21:00 and 07:00 local time this deadline is extended to 09,00). Any infringement of this rule may be the subject of a protest from the RC and/or the Jury (DP from 2h to DSQ)

### 9.6 Reporting to signal stations.

Competitors will **remain in double watch on Channel 16 and on Race channel 72**, a competitor may be contacted by a signal station in case of malfunction of his beacon or abnormal course.

## 10. MARKS

10.1 Offset marks and finish line are precised in [Appendix 2](#)

10.2 A race committee vessel signalling a change of a course edge is a mark.

## 11. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Areas defined as obstruction are defined in [Appendix 4](#)

- In the Pouliguen Bay (including "Basse St François)
- Plateau wind farm of "Les Guérandaises".
- Sea experimental site, floating wind turbine
- Houat and Groix shellfish farming area
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## 12. START

12.1 The starting line will be between the staff of the race committee boat displaying an orange flag on starboard and the staff displaying an orange flag of the pointing vessel on port.

12.2 Start signals :

Warning signal : displaying of Mini 6.5 Class flag

12.3 Start system:

Signal	Flag and sounds	Before start
Warning	Class flag, one sound	5 mn
Preparatory	P, I flag, one sound	4 mn
One minute	Lowering of preparatory flag, one long sound	1 mn
Start	Lowering of class flag, one sound	0 mn

- 12.4 To warn boats that a race or race sequence is about to begin, an orange flag will be display with a sound at least five minutes before the warning signal is sent.
- 12.5 The start line will keep opened until 30mn after the start signal.
- 12.6 Individual recall [DP]
- 12.6.1 If any part of the hull of a boat is on the course side of the start line at the start signal and is identified the race committee may give her sail number on **VHF chanel 72**. Failure to provide a VHF warning or receive a VHF warning will not ground a request for repair. This changes RRS 62.1.(a).
- 12.6.2 In case of individual recall, the X flag will stay displayed during 30mn after the start signal (this changes RRS 29.1).
- 12.6.3 Start  
A boat starts when her hull having been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line at or after her signal, and having complied with the rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either:  
(a) At or after her signal start or  
(b) During the last minute before her start signal  
When a boat starts in accordance with point (b) of the definition of **start**, she may come back to the pre-start side of the line to comply with point (a) of the definition of **start** but if she fails to do like that the penalty shall be of **1 hour added on her racing time**.
- 12.7 When for technical reasons and/or in case of exceptional circumstances, a boat cannot start within the time specified above, it may however be authorized by the Race Committee, to take the start beyond this time limit, provided that the following provisions are complied with  
- immediately inform the Race Committee of its technical problem  
- specify the period of time necessary for repair  
**The Race Committee and the race management will then be able to grant her permission by indicating the time at which she can start and, if necessary, a new starting point and a possible first mark to pass.**
- 12.8 After agreement of the Race Committee or the race direction, and during 2h after the start, a boat can make a technical stop in Pornichet which cannot exceed 4h.

### 13. **CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

Change of the next leg of the course [Appendix 2 COURSE \(Reduced course Nouch Sud\)](#)

### 14. **FINISH**

- 14.1 The finish line will be between a mast with an orange flag on the arrival boat to be left to starboard (0.6 miles from the entrance to the port of Pornichet position N 47°15.60 W 02°21,70 W), and the course side of the finish mark.
- 14.2 [DP] In case of bad weather conditions, the race committee vessel is will be replaced by a mark. When a boat finishes, the boat must report to the race committee its time of arrival and its position in relation to nearby boats, at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 14.3 All competitors must announce themselves to the VHF Race Committee on the race channel 5 miles before crossing the finish line and again when crossing this line.  
At night, the committee vessel will be equipped with an orange-colored flashlight, and the mark on the course side will be equipped with flashlight. Finishing process as [Appendix 7](#)

### 15. **PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 15.1 For proto and serial, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-turns Penalty is replaced by a One-turn Penalty.
- 15.2 When the rules of part 2 of the RRS are replaced by the part B, section II of the IRPCAS (between the legal sunset hour and the one for sunrise, between 19:00 UTC and 05:00 UTC) RRS 44.1 does not apply.
- 15.3.1 Breach of a rule of the RRS Chapter 2 when it applies  
\* Breach recognized before hearing: penalty from 30 minutes to DSQ.  
\* Breach recognized during hearing: penalty from 2 hours to DSQ.  
\* Breach not recognized: penalty from 4 hours to DSQ. The minimum penalty minimum applied by the Jury will not be less than a loss of 3 places in the serie.  
\* A boat that does not comply with RRS14 is liable, upon hearing, to a penalty from 4 hours to DSQ.  
\* Non respect of the dangerous areas: penalty from 2h00 to DSQ.
- 15.3.2 Breach of other rules than the RRS of Chapter 2  
RRS 44.1(b) after an hearing, a sailing boat responsible for a collision (RCV 44.1b) resulting in injury or serious damage for one or the other boat is liable to a minimum penalty of 4 hours up to DSQ (this changes RRS 44.1(b)).  
If the damaged boat is forced to abandon, the offending sailboat must abandon on pain of disqualification.

**16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

16.1 Times as follow :

Class	Course	Target Time	Time limit to finish for the 1st	Time limit to finish after the 1st
Proto	Course	NIL	Tuesday May 2 at 16:00	36h
Serie	Course	NIL	Tuesday May 2 at 16:00	36h

16.2 The time to finish is the time that the boats have to arrive after the first boat has completed the course and finished. Boats that do not finish within this period and that subsequently do not give up, are not penalized or do not get repair will be classified as Time Limited Expired (TLE) without instruction. A boat classified TLE (Time Limit Expired) must receive the points of the finish place of the last boat that has finished plus one point. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 et A10.

16.3 Non respect of the target time shall not be a reason to redress (this changes RRS 62,11 (a) ).

**17. PROTESTS**

17.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 2 hours, after the boat has finished the race.

For an arrival between 21h and 07h local, this deadline is postponed until 9h.

17.2 Protest forms are available at the jury secretariat located in the race head office.

17.3 Notices will be posted between 09:00 and 19:00, 1 hour after the arrival of the last implied boat to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at the race head office. They will begin at the time mentioned on official notice board.

**18. SCORING**

Real time scoring

Two specifics scoring will be provided: PROTO et SERIAL.

**19. REGLES DE SECURITE**

19.1 [DP] [NP] A start statement will be submitted to the race head office on Saturday April 29. ([Appendix 5](#))

19.2 [DP] [NP] A VHF sign out will be carried out on the start area before start procedure on Saturday April 29.

19.3 [DP] [NP] Finish statement ([Appendix 6](#)) Competitors will submit their finish statement at the race head office

19.4 [DP] [NP] Each sailboat shall have the required safety equipment on board (Category 3 OSR with life raft and Division 240; Mini Class level C). Each sailboat will have a fixed VHF of 25 watts in perfect working order, in permanent standby on **race channel 72 and on channel 16**

19.5 A satellite tracking beacon is provided by the organization during registration formalities. This beacon will be returned to the organization during the declaration of finish. ([Appendix 1 beacon installation](#)). The beacon will be fixed on the rear balcony, right or left clear of the solar panels.

19.6 A Race Management vessel will follow the fleet during racing. **She shall be in double watch on the race channel 72 and on channel 16.**

Radio exchanges with competitors will be available in priority on the race channel 712 (vacations about security general information VHF communication relay point with the organization and signal stations).

19.7 [DP][NP] Fillings: The safety container and the 9 liter water reserve.

19.7 Check sheets must be prepared by the skipper.

19.9 Testing of gauges and safety equipment may be carried out at any time without prior notice by the Technical Committee, either on its own initiative or at the request of the organization authority or the jury. A non-compliant sailboat will be penalized after hearing.

19.10 [DP][ NP] Logbook and maps: at the finish of the race, each competitor must be able to provide the organization with his logbook and the maps used for his navigation.

The logbook must contain at least twice a day the following data:

- Compass
- Loch
- Weather observations
- Position
- Radio contacts with any other competitor, signal stations contacts and self-pointing.
- The list of mandatory shirts is specified in the Notice of Race.

19.11 Mark "Nouch Sud" (DP): Competitors will call committee boat by VHF on the race channel when they are à 5 miles away from mark Nouch Sud (As [appendix 2](#) -page 2/3)

19.12 [DP] [NP] **Retiring**: Any boat that releases into a port (other than Pornichet, IC art 12.10) will be

scored RE. She shall have to report it by VHF or any other means as soon as possible to the race direction and or to the support vessel.

In case of retirement at sea, competitors will have to call the nearest signal station on VHF channel 16 to report their retirement (An alternate channel will be proposed by shift personnel) (communicate name and number of the boat retiring reason and port of destination).

- Beg Melen (sarea of Groix) ou
- St Julien (searea of Belle Ile – Loire) or
- Saint Sauveur (area of Yeu – Les Sables d’Olonne)

Upon his return ashore, as soon as possible, mandatory by phone to the race manager + 33 (0)6 43 29 42 64/ +33 (0)6 10 36 10 75 ou au PCC + 33 (0)6 12 42 27 67.

A retirement form will be available as soon as possible and submitted to the Race head office secretariat **Appendix n°8**. A competitor who does not do his best to notify the Race Management or the Race head office of his retirement may be the subject of a jury action

19.13 VHF canal VHF used while racing is 8.

19.14 The wearing of the life jacket is mandatory from the start of the pontoon, to the return to the port after crossing the finish line.

19.15 A control for good navigation lights functions will take place on **April 27 and 28 from 21:00 à 22:00**.

It is requested to the skippers to switch on navigation lights.

## 20. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

As in MINI Class rules. (Article R 17)

## 21. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

21.1 A boat or its equipment may be checked at any time to verify compliance with the class rules, race notice and sailing instructions.

21.2 [DP] [NP] On the water, a member of the Technical Committee may request a vessel to immediately join a given area for inspection

21.3 [DP] [NP] A boat will comply with the rules 3 hours before its warning signal.

## 22. OFFICIALS BOATS

Official boats will be identified [*Flag C*]

## 23. SUPPORT PERSONS

23.1 [DP] [NP] Support persons will remain outside the areas where the boats run from the preparatory signal of the first class to start until all the boats have finished or retired or the race committee reports a delay, a general reminder or cancellation

23.2 [DP] [NP] Support boats have to be declared to the race management.

23.3 The regulation of the conditions of intervention of the support persons on the competitions of the FFVoile will apply.

## 24. TRASH DISPOSAL

[DP] Trash will be kept on board each boat and will be evacuated on return ashore.

## 25. LOCATIONS

[DP] The boats will be kept in the place assigned to them when they are in the harbor of Pornichet.

## 26. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

[DP] [NP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## 27. EQUIPEMENTS DE PLONGEE ET HOUSSES SOUS MARINE DE PROTECTION

[DP] [NP] Leur utilisation sera liée à la réglementation locale (zone portuaire, etc.).

## 28. PRIX

Des prix seront décernés pour les trois premiers de chaque série.

## DESIGNED RACE OFFICIALS

Race committee chairman: Alex CORDIER

Technical Committee Chairman: Jean Noël TOURIN

Jury Chairman: Didier GREZE

## APPENDIX MARK OFFICIAL POINTING

The race committee may shorten a race according to one of the causes provided for in RCV 32.1 and validate it by taking as order of arrival the last official pointing to one of the marks specified in **Appendix COURSE** (this modifies RRS 32).

If a race committee boat displaying the 2nd substitute and the class flag of the classes concerned (this modifies Racing Signals) is standing near one of the marks specified above below, the mark and committee boat set constitutes a door where an official scoring of the boats is performed.

The boats will have to go through that gate and continue their race.

If the race committee subsequently decides to interrupt the race, it will display the S-flags on H accompanied by two audible signals and, if necessary, the class flag of the classes concerned (this modifies the Course Signals) meaning the race is interrupted and the last official score will be taken into account as the finish order

The race committee will, if possible, confirm these indications by V.H.F.”.

If an interruption is reported according to this annex, the gate where the last official score was made, has become the finish line for the classes concerned.

If an incident that may give rise to a claim occurs between the time the vessels have cleared that finish line and the time the interruption has been reported, no vessel shall be penalized for a violation of a Chapter 2 rule, unless the employee contravenes RCV 14 when the incident caused serious injury or damage, or RCV 23.1

An official score may be made on the following marks:

**Nouch Sud of Les Sables d’Olonne to be rounded and let on starboard.**