2017 RS:X WINDSURFING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS & OPEN TROPHY

including the 2017 Marseille RS:X U21 Windsurfing Championships

and

2017 RS:X WINDSURFING YOUTH EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS & YOUTH OPEN TROPHY

including the 2017 Marseille RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships

NOTICE OF RACE

Amended on 14\textsuperscript{th} April 2017

Yachting Club de la Pointe Rouge as the Local Organizing Authority (LOA), under specified conditions laid down by the International RS:X Class Association is pleased to invite RS:X sailors to take part in these events scheduled for

May 6\textsuperscript{th} – 13\textsuperscript{th} 2017
Marseill, France
Division A & B sailors [Class Rule C.2.3 a)] to be entered in the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Championships & Open Trophy and the 2017 Marseille RS:X U21 Windsurfing Championships are referred to as ‘Senior(s)’;
Division C sailors [Class Rule C.2.3 (b)(i)] to be entered in the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Championships & Youth Open Trophy and the 2017 Marseille RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships are referred to as ‘Youth(s)’.
Where there is no reference to either ‘Senior(s)’ or ‘Youth(s)’ the rules below refer to all Divisions.

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is applied according to the RRS Introduction - Notation.

1. RULES
   1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
   1.2. The prescriptions of the Federation Francaise de Voile will apply as posted on the Official Notice Board.
   1.3. Divisions A and B shall only use the Mark 2 fin and Mark 2 centreboard. This changes the RS:X Class Rule C.7(d)(i).
   1.4. Division C shall only use the Mark 2 or Mark 1 fin and Mark 2 centreboard. This changes the RS:X Class Rule C.7(d)(ii).
   1.5. The following Class Rules shall be deleted for Division C sailors only: C.6.5(b), C.7.4(b) and C.9.2(b).
   1.6. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
   1.7. For Final Races, World Sailing Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, will apply and change a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

2. [DP] ADVERTISING & SAIL INSIGNIAS & NATIONAL FLAGS
   2.1. Sails and competitors may be required to carry advertising for event sponsors, which will be supplied by the local organizing committee in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 – Advertising Code.
   2.2. On the sail the event sponsor’s branding shall be placed immediately below batten #5 and as close to the leech as possible.
   2.3. Seniors shall provide their own self adhesive National Flags and replacements.
   2.4. For Fleet Identification, each competitor may be issued with branded lycra, which shall be worn whilst racing.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY REGULATIONS
   3.1. All entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19 – Eligibility Code.
   3.2. The 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Open Trophy shall be open to competitors of all nationalities.
   3.2.1. The 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Championships shall be open to all competitors entered in the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Open Trophy but only if that competitor is an European national.
   3.2.2. The 2017 Marseille RS:X U21 Windsurfing Championships shall be open to all competitors entered in the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Open Trophy but only if that competitor is under 21 years of age on 31 December 2017 (born in 1997 or later).
   3.3. The 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Open Trophy shall be open to competitors of all nationalities. Competitors shall be under 19 years of age on 31 December 2017 (born in 1999 or later).
   3.3.1. The 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Championships shall be open to all competitors entered in the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Open Trophy but only if that competitor is an European national.
3.3.2. The 2017 Marseille RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships shall be open to all competitors entered in the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Open Trophy but only if that competitor is under 17 years of age on 31 December 2017 (born in 2001 or later).

3.4. Events shall run concurrently.

3.5. A minimum of five entries is required for each event to constitute a valid championship.

3.6. The deadline for valid entries is by 2400 hrs (UTC) on April 22nd 2017.

3.6.1. Entries may be accepted after this deadline at the discretion of the International RS:X Class Association (ICA).

3.7. Competitors shall have a World Sailing Sailor ID before their entry.

3.8. A competitor shall be a member of a National RS:X Class Association (NCA) which is a paid up member of the International RS:X Class Association (ICA), or, a member of the ICA when the NCA is not a current member of the ICA. Class membership formalities can be completed at the event venue at registration.

3.9. Eligible competitors shall enter online with payment in euros by credit/debit card or bank transfer before the entry deadline, unless extended by the ICA.

3.9.1. An entry is not valid until paid.

3.9.2. 50% of entry fees may be refundable if accompanied by a medical certificate issued by a medical doctor stating a valid reason why the competitor cannot compete.

3.10. The following documentation will be required at Registration on site:

3.10.1. Proof of valid third party liability Insurance

3.10.2. Proof of age (passport).

3.10.3. A completed Parental Permission Form for entries under the age of 18 years. This form may be completed online but a printed copy shall be brought to registration.

4. FEES

4.1. The Entry Fee is 160 euro for Seniors and 150 euro for Youths.

4.2. The Entry Fee paid after the deadline as stated in NOR 3.6 shall be 200 euros for Seniors and 190 euros for Youths.

4.3. Those who have made payment by bank transfer shall email a copy of the bank transfer document authorized by their bank to the IWA office.

4.4. Bank details are:

| A/C: | The International Windsurfing Association |
| Bank Details: | Barclays Bank Plc, GB |
| IBAN: | GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99 |
| SWIFTBIC: | BARCGB22 |

5. FORMAT

5.1. Division A (Senior Men) and division B (Senior Women) shall start separately but will sail on the same Senior course area.

5.2. Division C (Youth) Men and Women shall start separately but will sail on the same Youth course area.

5.3. There will be an Opening Series that may be split fleets depending on the number of entries to each event. If there are split fleets, there will be a Qualifying Series and an Advance (Gold/Silver) Series.

5.4. The top 12 ranked boards in the Opening Series shall qualify for the Finals. There will be a Last Opening Series race for the boards that do not qualify for the Finals on the Finals day.

5.5. The Finals will have a Quarter Final, Semi Final and Grand Final.

5.6. Further details of the format will be published in the Format and Scoring Addendum and may be changed with the approval of the ICA.
6. SCHEDULE

6.1. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 1100 hrs (except the Practice Race – see below).

6.2. The warning signal for the last race of each day shall not be made within 1 hour of the official sunset time.

6.3. Event Schedule

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7. [DP] EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT CHECKS

7.1. Equipment is not supplied by the Organizing Authority and all competitors shall use their own equipment. Equipment that is loaned or chartered shall be considered to be the competitor's own equipment.

7.2. There is no on-line submission of serial numbers of equipment to be used and there will be no official measurement prior to the first race. Competitors may check their own equipment using the official scales etc. The event Technical Committee will be available to answer questions.

7.3. Before the close of registration, competitors shall register each piece of equipment they intend to use by sticking the self-adhesive ‘Fast Check’ numbers on to those pieces of equipment and handing to the event Technical Committee a completed Pre-event Equipment Form. Fast Check stickers and the Pre-event Equipment Form will be issued at Registration. In addition competitors shall present the fin to be used to the event Technical Committee for stamping.

7.4. Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the event.

7.5. Competitors and their equipment shall be on site by 1200hrs on May 7th 2017.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the on-site Registration (as well as the Event Program scheduling social events).

9. VENUE

9.1. The address of the regatta venue is: Stade nautique du Roucas Blanc, 6 promenade George Pompidou, 13008 Marseille, France
The Event Director is: Coraline Jonet  
Email: event@ycpr.net   Tel. +33 6 87 10 65 50  
Event website: www.rsxclass.org/europeans2017

10. COURSES

10.1. At the discretion of the Class Course Representative the course will be Trapezoidal or Windward-Leeward Courses for Opening Series. The courses may have slalom ends.

10.2. For the Finals the course will be, at the discretion of the Class Course Representative, a Windward-Leeward course on non-planing racing conditions or Reaching Start course (RRS Appendix B3.26.2 Starting System 2 and B10.29 Recalls applies) on planing racing conditions. For reaching starts RRS B2.17 shall apply.

10.3. Race target times, which may be varied at the discretion of the Class Course Representative are as follows

10.3.1. For Trapezoid and Windward-Leeward Courses in the Opening Series: 20-25 minutes. The same time applies for Windward-Leeward Courses in the Finals.

10.3.2. For Reaching Starts in the Finals:
- Quarter Final race – 15-18 minutes
- Semi Final race – 10-12 minutes
- Grand Final race – 6-8 minutes

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. In addition to the rules designated [DP] the SI may include standard penalties [SP] to be applied by the race committee without a hearing for specified rules. This will change RRS 63.1 and A5.

12. INTERNATIONAL JURY

12.1. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with the RRS 91(b).

12.2. Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

13. SCORING

13.1 Scoring will be detailed in the NoR Addendum FS - Format and Scoring and may be changed with the approval of the ICA.

13.2 Scores for categories within a Championship will be extracted from the overall results without recalculation.

13.3 Three races are required to be completed to constitute any valid Championship.

14. SUPPORT PERSONS & SUPPORT BOATS

14.1. Support Persons may register online with payment by credit/debit card or bank transfer. Payment made at the event venue at registration shall be in cash and Euros only.

14.2. The Support Person’s Fee for registration received and paid by 2400 hrs (UTC) on April 22nd, 2017 is 50 euros. Payment received after shall be 65 euros.

14.3. A registration is not valid until paid.

14.4. The following documentation shall be brought to the event Race Office before the Practice Race:

14.4.1. Proof of valid third party liability Insurance.

14.4.2. Boat driving license (if applicable).
15. [DP] STORAGE

15.1. On completion of registration and continuing until the end of the regatta, when ashore (other than when launching and retrieving), all boards shall be kept in their assigned places. Removal of any board from the assigned place shall require prior written approval from the event Technical Committee. Access to boards in the board storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.

15.2. Unless otherwise directed by the LOA, all competing boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area.

15.3. Boards shall be removed from the venue on the Departure Day as defined in the Schedule.

16. [DP] SAFETY

16.1. Competitors shall carry a whistle and towrope of the specification defined in Class Rules C1.2.

17. PRIZES

17.1. Trophies/prizes for the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Open Trophy and 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Open Trophy will be awarded to the first five Men and Women in each of these events.

17.1.1. Medals for the 2017 RS:X Windsurfing European Championships and 2017 RS:X Windsurfing Youth European Championships will be awarded to the first three Men and Women in each of these events, when the titles 'RS:X European Champion' and 'RS:X Youth European Champion' shall be awarded to the first placed Men and Women in each of these events.

17.2. Trophies/prizes for the 2017 Marseille RS:X U21 Windsurfing Championships and 2017 Marseille RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships will be awarded to the first five Men and Women in each of these events.

17.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the RS:X Class Administration.

18. RISK STATEMENT

18.1. Rule 4 of the RRS states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race 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:

18.1.1. 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;

18.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

18.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

18.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

18.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

18.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

18.1.7. The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.
19. **INSURANCE**

19.1. Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 million euros.

19.2. Coaches and support boat drivers shall also have valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.5 million euros.

19.3. Failure to provide evidence of insurance cover may be penalized by exclusion from the event.

20. **DRUG TESTING**

20.1. Competitors are reminded of the World Sailing rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event.

21. **TELEVISION AND MEDIA**

21.1. In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the LOA and the International RS:X Olympic Windsurfing Class Association the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

22. **OFFICIAL CEREMONIES & DRESS CODE**

22.1. Competitors should attend the Opening Ceremony, Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony.

22.1.1. Smart casual clothes will be worn.

**NOTICE OF RACE ENDS**

The conditions that can be expected are: wind speed 6-18 knots, water temperature 16-20°C and air temperature 18-24°C.

For issues related to travel, transfers and accommodation, please contact Mrs. Coraline Jonet
Tel. +33 6 87 10 65 50
Email: event@ycpr.net
Neither the LOA nor International RS:X Class Association take responsibility for travel and accommodation arrangements made in error.

There is limited equipment that will be available for charter and dealt with on a first come, first served basis.

Please contact: Olivier Roudaut, Group SATET, olivier@neilpryde-od.com or contact@neilpryde-od.com Mob. +33 6 47 82 96 87

For coach boat charter please contact: Mrs. Coraline Jonet or Pawel Hlavaty, H14 Performance Ribs, charter@h14.pl, phone +48 606 171 858
Charters are dealt with on a first come, first served basis.

Contact Andrus Poksi andrus@rsxclass.org at RS:X Executive Office in case of any questions.