



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Les Sables d'Olonne
Horta-Faial (The Azores)
Les Sables d'Olonne

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Les Sables d'Olonne – France

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The notation [NP] (No Protest) in a rule of the Sailing Instructions (SI) means that a boat cannot protest against another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The notation [DP] (Discretionary penalty) in a rule of the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule, may, to the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification.

The notation [SP] (Standard Penalty) in a rule of the Sailing Instructions (SI) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule, will, to the discretion of the jury, be a standard penalty.

1 RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by:

- the 2022-2023 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations - Category 1,
- the 2021-2024 World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), excluding rule 54,
- the Notice Of Race and its amendments,
- FFVoile prescriptions,
- Classe Mini rules (see 2022 Guide Mini and its amendments),
- the Championnat de France Course au large en solitaire Mini 6.50 rules.
- RRS apply in:
 - the area 25nm past the starting line,
 - the area 25nm before the finishing line.
- International Collisions regulations (COLREGS) apply between these two areas. To apply rules of Colregs Chapter 2, section B (steering and sailing rules), minimum distance between 2 boats should be 5 boat-length.

1.2 Navigation during night hours

Between sunset and sunrise, regulatory navigation lights must be on (damage to the installation cannot be invoked to avoid this obligation).

1.3 Navigation before the start

See Classe Mini Rules (articles E-19 and J-28 c).

1.4 Federal membership

Each competitor must be in good standing with the national World sailing authority of his/her country of nationality or residence and in particular for French skippers, hold a competition FFVoile license valid for the duration of the event. For foreigners, membership of their national authority and a third party liability insurance for €2M, which is the equivalent of the FFVoile license.

1.5 Official language is French, and French text will take precedence.

2 ENTRIES

2.1 Every competitor must be in good standing with Classe Mini and will have to provide the required documents (R-12 of 2022 Mini Rules).

2.2 Every boat must have the equipment required by the Mini Rules and French maritime authorities and pass all the checks before the start.

2.3 **Entering the event, each competitor acknowledges that it is up to him/her sole responsibility to decide whether he/she should take the start or continue racing. He/she also agrees to abide the rules mentioned in the above article 1.1 and in particular to RRS 3 (acceptance of rules).**

3 ADVERTISING

3.1 In application of the World Sailing regulation 20 ([advertising code](#)), as changed by the FFVoile advertising regulations (RRS 80), boats are required to display the flags and marks defined by both Classe Mini and the Organizer (such as defined in the Article R-18 of the 2022 Guide Mini).

3.2 Marks in the sails

Sails (see schematics)

- according to RRS and 2022 Classe Mini rules: CLASSE MINI LOGO + SAIL NUMBER
- Rest of the sails: AREA FOR THE SKIPPERS
- No mark from the Organization

3.3 Marks on the hull

- Except the number of the boat (2022 Mini Rule) at the boat's front (hull and deck), the entire hull and deck area is intended for the skipper.
- Roof : « FFVoile/CFCLS » stickers should be in each side of the roof.

3.4 Other advertising obligations (Appendix 5)

DODGERS

- Size : approximately 40 cm x 100 cm
- 2 dodgers per boat, to maintain in position in the lifelines at the back on each side from July, 13th at 06:00 pm to August 16th 2022 at 12:00 pm.

FORESTAY FLAGS

4 flags per boat, to display in the forestay:

(list provided during registration confirmation – the 4th flag (Horta) will be given in the Azores).

- From July 11th to 19th 2022 in Les Sables d'Olonne, including in the channel during towing out.
- during the whole stopover in Horta – Faial - Azores
- from the arrival till August 16th 12 :00pm in Les Sables d'Olonne, including in the channel during towing in.

Forestay flags must be kept aboard during the race and must under no circumstances be given to third parties so that they can be displayed at the arrival of the stopover and the race.

In case of infringement to this rule, the Organizer may apply financial penalties for the SNSM benefit.

RACE FLAG

See article 3.2 of the NoR.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the digital Official Notice Board on the race website: <http://lessables-lesacores650.com>.

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SI's will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 2 hours before the warning signal, except for any change to the schedule of races that should be posted before 09 :00am local time the day it will take effect.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the mast located:

- up the Vendee Globe Pontoon in Les Sables d'olonne,
- in front of the race headquarters in Horta.

6.2 « AP » flag with two sounds means: « race is delayed, competitors shall stay ashore ».

6.3. Code "H" flag displayed ashore means: race is delayed, boats must stay in the harbour, competitors are prohibited from leaving the harbour (change to race signals).

6.4. When « AP » or code »H » flag is lowered with one sound signal, competitors are invited to immediately sail to the starting area.

First warning signal cannot be made less than 60 minutes after the lowering of those signals.

6.5. Code « L » flag will be displayed to inform the competitors that a notice or amendment has been posted.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Schedule of races is detailed in **appendices 1 and 2**.

8 RACE FLAGS

- Class flag is « Classe Mini » flag.
- Race flag is « Les Sables d'Olonne Vendée Course au Large » flag. Competitors must display the race flag in the starboard backstay when in competition.

- Foreigners must display and leave the Courtesy flag in position during the whole period in Les Sables D’olonne, non-Portuguese must display and leave it in the Azores.
- National flag is mandatory at the stopovers.

9 RACING AREA

Racing area is between Les Sables d’Olonne (France) and Horta harbour (Faial – Azores – Portugal)

10 COURSE [DP]

10.1 Courses are described in the **appendices 1 and 2**, including the order in which marks are to be passed or rounded and the side on which each mark is to be left.

10.2 [DP][NP] FORBIDDEN AREAS

During the whole race, Traffic Separation System (TSS) are forbidden areas. Whatever the course, competitors must not sail in these forbidden areas defined in the **Appendix 4 – Forbidden areas – TSS**. Areas defined as TSS in the nautical documents and SI (Cape Finisterre TSS).

Coordinates are given in WGS84 for information only and their position cannot be ground for redress (this changes RRS 62).

In case of entering the TSS, the Jury will open a case to determine the penalty.

10.3 Approximative heading of the first mark may be displayed on the Race Committee boat prior to the warning signal.

10.4 Code « D » flag displayed on the Committee boat means that there is an offset mark. The absence of code »D » flag means that there is no offset mark.

Green flag displayed on the committee boat means that the offset mark must be left on starboard. The absence of green flag means that the offset mark must be left on port.

This changes RRS Race signals.

11 MARKS

All the marks are defined in **appendices 1 and 2**.

12 STARTS [DP]

12.1 Starting declaration

Competitors must have submitted the starting declaration (appendix 3) duly completed and signed to the race management no later than Tuesday, July 19th 2022 at 09:30 am local time.

Mandatory sign-off will take place on Tuesday, July 19th 2022 from 09:00am to 09:30 am local time in the tent located Place du Vendée Globe.

12.2 Warning signal

Warning signal: display of the class flag “Classe Mini”

12.3 Chronology

Start will be given in accordance with RRS 26 with a warning signal 8 minutes before the start:

Signal	Flag and sound signal	Minutes before the start
Warning	Class flag, one sound signal	8
Preparatory	P or Z/I flag, one sound signal	4
One minute	Preparatory flag removed, one sound signal	1
Start	Class flag removed, one sound signal	0

12.4 Starting line will be between the staff displaying an **orange** flag on the committee boat on starboard and the wind side of the starting mark defined in the **appendices 1 and 2**.

A race committee boat may be in the extension of the starting line. This boat is an obstacle. From the last minute before the start, competitors shall not pass between this committee boat, identified by a pink flag and the starting mark.

12.5 Starting line will remain open until 30 minutes after the starting signal or until X flag is removed, whichever is later.

12.6 When, for technical reasons and/or in case of exceptional circumstances a boat cannot start within such delay, race Committee may however allow her to start, providing she meets the following conditions:

- immediately inform the Race Committee about the technical problem;
- inform the Race Committee of the necessary time to repair.

Race Committee, in agreement with race management may then grand the boat the authorization to start later, stating the time on which she will be allowed to start and eventually, the location of the new starting point and possible first mark to pass.

12.7 RRS 28 is changed as follows:

A boat shall cross the starting line in the direction of the first mark at or after the starting signal, complete the course described in the SI's and finish. While doing so, she may leave on either side a mark that does not begin, bound or end the leg she is sailing. After finishing, she does not need to completely cross the finishing line.

12.8 RRS rules 29.1, 30.1 and 30.2 are changed as follows:

When at the starting signal, a boat must comply with RRS rule 29.1, 30.1 or 30.2, race Committee shall promptly display the X flag with one sound signal. This flag shall be displayed until all such boats have sailed completely to the pre-start side of the starting line or of its extensions and have complied with rules 29.1 or 30.1 when it applies.

X flag will be removed 30 minutes after the starting signal, except if, due to weather conditions, Race Committee decides to extend this delay.

In case of exoneration:

- Boats having infringed rules 29.1 or 30.1 **will be given no penalty.**
- Boat having infringed rule 30.2 **will be given a 10-hour penalty** on their racing time without any hearing.

Race Committee will inform competitors who have not yet exonerated **2 minutes** after the starting signal by VHF.

Absence of reception of the VHF message will not be ground for redress.

If the boat does not exonerate following this VHF message:

- Boat having infringed rules 29.1, 30.1, the infraction will be submitted to the Jury, minimum penalty will then be of **2 hours.**
- Boat having infringed rule 30.2, the infraction will be submitted to the Jury, penalty cannot be less than **10 hours.**

13 CHECKING BOATS AT THE MARKS

There may be checking boats close to each mark and at the finishing line. Absence of checking boat will not be ground for redress. **Each competitor must self-check at the arrival and provide the Race Committee with this self-checked time.**

14 FINISHES

14.1 All competitors shall signal their approach by VHF on the race channel no less than **half an hour** before crossing the finishing line and so, until acknowledgement from the Committee. By night, skippers shall enlight their sail numbers with a flashlight when crossing the line.

14.2 Position of the finishing line of the standard course is defined in **appendices 1 and 2.**
Each competitor must note his/her precise time of arrival.

14.3 Finishing line will be closed **84 hours** after the arrival time of the **third** boat in each category (serie and proto). Any competitor finishing after this delay, will be classified as « DNF/ HTL ». The possible bonus/penalty the Jury may grand should be added to this deadline.

14.4 Time limit for stopovers:

- 14.4/a** A boat can stop anywhere and anytime. Once anchored or in the harbour, other people can come aboard, provisions and repairs can be made, skipper can disembark. Boat can be towed but maximum 2NM from a harbour and only in case of stopover, provided the boat does not gain a significant advantage in the race (RRS 42.3(i)).
- 14.4/b** Cumulate time for stopovers shall not exceed **36 hours** for each leg, from the time the boat is moored or anchored until the time she resumes to the event. If exceeding these 36 hours, competitor will be classified as RET on the leg.

Any competitor stopping shall warn the Race management as soon as possible by phone:

+33 7 72 01 26 81

15 PENALTY SYSTEM [DP]

- 15.1** Infringement to a rule of RRS part 2 or RRS 31:
- * Breach alleged before the hearing: 30 minutes to DSQ penalty.
 - * Breach alleged during the hearing: 2 hours to DSQ penalty.
 - * Non alleged breach: 4 hours to DSQ penalty.

If a boat has caused injury or serious damage leading to withdrawal of the other party, she shall retire. IN THE EVENT OF COLLISION WITH SERIOUS DAMAGE OR INJURY AND ABSENCE OF PROTEST FROM COMPETITORS, JURY SHALL SYSTEMATICALLY CALL A HEARING.

This changes RRS 60.3(a)(1).

When serious damage results from a collision, a right-of-way boat who had the opportunity, but failed to make a reasonable attempt to avoid the collision may be granted a penalty from 5 hours to DSQ.

- 15.2** Infringement to other rules than those of RRS part 2:
- * Rule 31: minimum 1-hour penalty for any boat who does not exonerate
 - * Other rules: at the Jury's discretion.
- Unless otherwise stated in these SI's or Class Rules.

- 18.3** Penalties will be as follows:
- OCS / ZFP: see 12.8 of the SI's
 - DNF / HTL : time of the finishing line closure + 45%
 - RET: (retire before or after having finished a leg or more than 36 hours stopover) time of the finishing line closure + 60%
 - DNC: time of the finishing line closure + 60%
 - DSQ: racing time + 96 hours

16 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 16.1** Intention to protest:
2021-2024 RRS rule 61.
- 16.2** **a)** Protests will be written, when possible, on forms available at the race office and shall be delivered no later than 2 hours after the arrival of the protestor boat.
When arrival is between 10 :00 pm and 08 :00 am local time this delay is postponed to 10 :00 am.
b) Protests about measurement shall be before Sunday July 16th 2022 at 06 :00 pm.
- 16.3** In application to the RRS 61.1 (b), sails' numbers of the boats subject to a protest from the Race Committee, Jury or Technical Committee concerning an incident they observed in the racing area shall be posted on the Official Notice Board before the deadline specified in #16.2 expires.
Should the Race and Technical Committee be unable to lodge the protest within the time stated in #16.2, competitors will be informed by display of the duration of the extension of the time for the committees to lodge their protests (this changes RRS 61.1 (b) and 61.3).
- 16.4** Notifications to inform competitors on when and where will be the hearing they are part of or called as witness shall be displayed as soon as possible.
- 16.5** Jury shall proceed the hearings as soon as possible in the approximative order of deposit.
- 16.6** Change of the RRS 66:

Deadline stated in RRS 66 is shortened so no reopening request shall be accepted beyond 2 hours after the communication of the decision concerned.

18 RANKINGS

There will be two rankings: PROTO and SERIE.

Ranking will be by the addition of the racing times of the competitors on both legs.

Ties between boats will be broken in favour of the boat having the shortest time in the second leg.

18 SAFETY RULES

18.1. Each boat must have aboard the safety equipment required by regulations in force.

18.1.1 Drinking reserves:

For each leg: 1270 NM long

Complying with 2022 Mini Rules, article E-20, maximum quantity of embarked containers is 60 litres.

In addition of this volume, are authorized:

- maximum 2 litres in alimentary wall flask,
- Maximum 2 litres in watertight alimentary box.

18.1.2 Mandatory paper chart list:

SHOM charts or equivalent:

- 7211 Golfe de Gascogne
- 7411 Port des Sables d'Olonne
- 7068 De Quiberon aux Sables d'Olonne
- 6990 De Penmarch à la Gironde
- 6623 De la Manche à l'archipel des Açores (routier)
- 7599 De Gijón au Cabo Ortegal
- 7597 Des iles Sisargas au Rio Mino
- 7598 De la Punta Estaca de Barres au Cabo Finisterre
- 7605 Archipel des Açores (groupe central)
- 7627 Archipel des Açores

Only original charts are allowed, excluding copies.

18.2 Safety equipment checks

Skippers and their boat shall be at the organization's disposal in the start's harbour at the time and date specified in the NoR.

From 09 :00 am on Tuesday, July 12 2022, throughout the duration of the various stopovers and until the prize giving ceremony, boats shall not leave their berth without written consent from the Race Committee or Race management.

Before leaving the pontoons for a start, boats must be in race configuration at the time specified in the appendix of the concerned race.

A non-complying boat, shall be, penalized or disqualified, at the the Jury's secretion.

18.2.1 Navigation lights shall be on from 07 :00 pm and 10 :30 pm on Wednesday July, 13 Thursday July, 14 2022.

18.2.2 It is up to the skipper to facilitate the fittings of the seals decided according to Class Rules and to check their integrity. Any dispute must be made as soon as possible and before the time of race configuration for the concerned leg.

Shall be sealed in position:

- Liferaft,
- Batteries.

Shall be sealed closed:

- Survival water container,
- Survival container/bag.

Unseals shall be limited to what is strictly necessary at the stopover and in any case, after written request approved by the Technical.

18.2.3 During stopovers and at the arrivals, Race or Technical Committee may check measurement and safety equipment at any time without warning, either on their own initiative or at the request of the organizing authority or Jury.

18.2.4 At the arrival of a leg, competitors are responsible for the compliance of their boats with the race's rules and integrity of the seals until the Technical Committee checks their boat or until the end of the checks is displayed on the official Notice Board.

18.2.5 It is strongly recommended to have on board a handheld VHF other than one in the survival container in case of failure of the main VHF. The VHF in the survival container having to be reserved for possible survival situation.

18.3 Sign-off /in

18.3.1 Start:

A declaration of start (**Appendix 3**) shall have been completed and given when signing.

18.3.2 Arrival:

A declaration of arrival shall be completed and given to the Race office when signing.

18.4. Replacement of equipment: See article E-25 of Class Rules.

a) Replacements shall be limited to serious damages that cannot be repaired, on limited equipment. Request for equipment replacements shall be written and lodged as soon as possible by the skipper. Decision is subject to the Technical or Race Committee' approval. Repairs and replacements of damaged equipment may be subject to penalties, after a hearing, up to 24 hours per piece of equipment concerned.

b) Repairs or replacements of sails shall be written (with the sticker's number) and lodged to the Technical Committee and are subject to the Technical or Race committee's approval. Only the set of sails stamped before the start shall be used during the event. Any sail replacement during the event shall be subject to a 24-hours penalty without no hearing (Class Rules E-25-a).

18.5 Logbook and charts

At the arrival of each race, when signing, each competitor shall provide the race management with his/her logbook and charts used for the navigation.

Any infringement to this rule, may be ground for penalties at the Jury's discretion.

Logbook shall include as a minimum twice a day the following data:

- heading,
- speed (log),
- weather observations,
- estimated position,
- radio contact with any other competitor or support boat.

18.6 Retirement

Any competitor deciding to retire in a harbour shall inform the race management as soon as possible via support boat or tracker.

Once ashore, he/she must confirm by phone to the Race management:

+33 7 72 01 26 81

In case of noncompliance, Jury may decide to disqualify him/her. Registration for another event may be refused to any competitor who does not do everything possible to warn the race management or race office of his/her retirement.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

There will be 5 support boats.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION AND PHONES

20.1 Radio channel and security procedures

VHF channel of the event is 72.

Competitors **shall** answer the calls from support boats.

Support boats will call on channel 72.

Competitors shall give their position during the radio coms that will take place every day at **07:00 am and 07:00 pm UTC**. In case of failure to receive the calls from the support boats, competitor shall give his/her position to another competitor who shall forward the information.

The use of the official channel should be reserved for short communications.

While racing, boats shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive communications which all boats cannot receive.

Permanent double watch on channels 16 and 72 is mandatory as well as answering the calls from the support boats. **Mandatory radio** coms will take place at **07:00 am and 07:00 pm UTC**. Failing to answer may be subject to penalties from the Jury (15.2).

Use and presence aboard of **cell phones or any other mean of communication other than the VHF and the tracker provided by the Organization is forbidden** during the whole duration of the race. (see article E-17 of the 2022 Guide Mini).

The absence of information, disclosure of information, erroneous or not, on these channels, will not be ground for redress.

**Written in Les Sables d'Olonne
July, 13th 2022**

ORGANIZATION

Les Sables Vendée Course au Large

COMPOSITION OF OFFICIAL COMMITTEE

President of the Race Committee	Dominique APPERE
President of the Jury	Patrick CHAPELLE
Jury member	
Technical Committee	Virginie TRARIEUX
Offshore racing equipment controller	Yves-Marie LEROUX

RACE MANAGEMENT

Race director	Denis HUGUES
Deputy Race Director	Annabelle MOREAU

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 action alone, 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 (Prescription to RRS 76.1)

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 (Prescription to RRS 88.2):

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>

APPENDIX 1
Instructions and Course leg 1

7 **SCHEDULE OF RACES**

The start of leg 1 will be on Tuesday, July 19th 2022 at 01 :00 pm local time in front of Les Sables d'Olonne. 1st warning signal at 12h52pm.

9 **RACING AREA**

Racing area of leg 1 is between Les Sables d'Olonne and Faial island (Azores – Portugal).

10 **START, COURSE AND ARRIVAL**

- Starting line and area:

Starting area is in the South-East of the Cardinal buoy Nouch Sud.

Ends of the starting line will be defined with the staff of the Race Committee Boat displaying an orange flag on starboard and the course side of a **RED inflatable buoy** on port.

- **If there is, the offset mark will be an ORANGE inflatable buoy**, anchored about 1.7 NM from the starting line.

- Nouch Sud buoy to be left on port

- **Buoy 1 : inflatable YELLOW** position: 46°29.00N – 1°46.852W to be rounded and left on starboard.

- **Buoy 2 : inflatable YELLOW** position : 46°27.924N – 1°45.623W to be rounded and left on starboard.

- « le Nouch »South buoy to be left on starboard.

- Finishing line :

Finishing line will be between the red light of Horta's harbour entry (approximately 38° 32,03 N and 28° 37,27 W, Faial island, Azores, Portugal) to be left on port and a mast displaying a blue flag and an orange flash light to be left on starboard (approximately 38° 32,06 N et 28° 37,50 W).

Boats shall be in race configuration starting 09:30 am local time

ANNEXE 3. – APPENDIX 3
DÉCLARATION DE DÉPART / START DECLARATION

Nom du Bateau (*Name of the boat*): N°

Je soussigné(e) / *I undersigned*,

skipper du bateau ci-dessus désigné,

- **Confirme ma participation à la 1ère étape de la course : Les Sables – Les Açores – Les Sables 2022 » à mes risques et périls et sous ma responsabilité à tous les effets. Il m'appartient de juger, en fonction de mes connaissances, des équipements dont je dispose, de la force du vent, des prévisions météorologiques etc... de l'opportunité de prendre ou de ne pas prendre le départ de l'épreuve, de l'arrêter ou de la continuer**

Hereby confirm my participation in the leg 1 of the 2022 race " Les Sables – Les Açores – Les Sables" at my own risks and under my responsibility to all effects. It is up to me to judge, according to my knowledge, the equipment I have, the wind force, weather forecasts... whether to take or not the start of the race, t stop or continue.

- déclare sur l'honneur que je suis engagé(e) dans la course de mon plein gré, en acceptant sans restriction ni réserve les Règles de Course à la Voile, l'avis de course de l'épreuve, les règlements de sécurité et les instructions de course, le règlement de la classe Mini, ainsi que tout avenant rendu nécessaire.

declare on my honour that I have entered the race by my free will, and I agree totally and without restriction to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Notice of Race, the Safety and Special Regulations and the Sailing Instructions, Classe mini rules and any necessary amendment.

- déclare savoir que la sécurité de mon bateau relève de ma seule et inaliénable responsabilité, que je fais le nécessaire pour que le bateau soit prêt à affronter le mauvais temps, que le bateau possède tout l'équipement de sécurité nécessaire et je connais la manière de m'en servir.

declare that I know that the safety of my boat is my sole and inescapable responsibility, that I have prepared the boat to sail in adverse weather conditions, that there is on board of the boat all the proper safety gear and that I know how to use it.

- Par cette déclaration je m'engage sur l'honneur à ne pas embarquer de moyen de communications autres que les VHF du bord et les moyens autorisés par l'organisateur. Je reconnais prendre le départ d'une course de 1271 milles et que j'embarque suffisamment d'eau et de nourriture pour la totalité du parcours.

With this declaration I take the engagement on my honor not to have on board communications systems other than VHF and these allowed by the organizer. I recognize taking the start of a race of 1271 NM and I have enough water and food aboard for the full race.

Je décharge de toute responsabilité les organisateurs, LSOVCL, la direction de course, les arbitres désignés par la FFVoile et toute autre personne physique ou morale participant à l'organisation de cette épreuve à quelque titre que ce soit.

I agree that organizers, LSOVCL, The Race Direction, the Race officials appointed by the FFVoile and other organizing persons and companies working for or on behalf of the abovementioned parties have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to crew members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.

Fait à/at :, le /on : 2022 (*date*)

Signature du Skipper /*Skipper's signature*

**ANNEXE 5 / APPENDIX 5
FORBIDDEN AREAS - TSS**

SI11 - Forbidden areas - Traffic Separation System (TSS°).

Whatever the course, it is forbidden for the competitors to sail in the following areas called TSS during the whole race.

Coordinates are given in WGS 84, as a guide only and their positioning cannot be ground for redress (this changes RRS 62).

These forbidden areas are polygons defined by the following points:

Forbidden Area - DST Ouessant TSS	
Waypoint	Position
TSS Ouessant A	49°02,050 N - 005°36,700 W
TSS Ouessant B	48°48,600 N - 005°25,000 W
TSS Ouessant C	48°37,200 N - 005°11,850 W
TSS Ouessant D	48°29,350 N - 005°22,050 W
TSS Ouessant E	48°35,000 N - 005°42,500 W
TSS Ouessant F	48°42,500 N - 006°03,100 W
TSS Ouessant G	48°56,400 N - 005°51,600 W

Forbidden Area - South of the Scilly Isles	
Waypoint	Position
TSS South Scilly A	49°44,550 N - 006°16,490 W
TSS South Scilly B	49°36,550 N - 006°16,500 W
TSS South Scilly C	49°36,550 N - 006°33,700 W
TSS South Scilly D	49°44,550 N - 006°30,150 W

Zone Interdite West of the Scilly Isles	
Waypoint	Position
DST West Scilly A	50°03,840 N - 006°47,060 W
DST West Scilly B	50°01,660 N - 006°35,020 W
DST West Scilly C	49°52,460 N - 006°39,140 W
DST West Scilly D	49°52,420 N - 006°52,150 W

Forbidden area - CAP FINISTERRE	
Waypoint	Position
TSS Cap Finisterre A	43°31,400 N - 010°05,200 W
TSS Cap Finisterre B	43°21,000 N - 009°36,400 W
TSS Cap Finisterre C	43°10,500 N - 009°44,000 W
TSS Cap Finisterre D	42°52,800 N - 009°44,000 W
TSS Cap Finisterre E	42°52,800 N - 010°13,850 W
TSS Cap Finisterre F	43°18,950 N - 010°13,850 W

ANNEXE 5 / APPENDIX 5
FLAGS AND DOGERS

Flag line, from up to bottom:

- Les Sables d'Olonne Vendée Course au Large
- Les Sables d'Olonne
- Horta (will be given only in Horta, thus compulsory only from the arrival in Horta)
- Vendée or Pays de la Loire (36 boats with Vendée, 36 boats with Pays de la Loire)

