



2023

WINDSURFER

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Wednesday 7th June to Sunday 11th June

YACHT CLUB DE CARNAC

Organising Authority: in conjunction with International Windsurfer Class Association

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Yacht Club de Carnac in conjunction with International Windsurfer Class Association, welcomes Windsurfer Class sailors participating in the 2023 Windsurfer Class European Championships and their families, friends, supporters and sponsors.

The notation [DP] in a rule of the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the jury, be less than disqualification.

In case of evolution in the sanitary crisis, the Organizing Authority may at any time modify the Notice of race, without warning.

The Yacht Club Carnac internet platform <https://www.yccarnac.com/organisation-de-regate> will be used as Official notice board. There will be no physical notices.

Competitors must have all means to receive Official communications. This will not be ground for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a)

Following the aggression in Ukraine, the FFVoile decided on March 2, 2022 not to authorize the participation of Russian and Belarusian competitors in competitions throughout France.
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The FFVoile reminds us that sporting events are first and foremost a place for exchange and sharing, open and accessible to all.

For this reason, competitors and accompanying persons are asked to behave in all circumstances, on land and on the water, in a courteous and respectful manner, regardless of the origin, gender or sexual orientation of the other participants.



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021 – 2024 including Appendix B, Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR); except where they are changed by the Notice of Race (NOR) or by the Sailing Instructions (SIs). In the event of a conflict, the Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.2. [DP] The Windsurfer Class Rules will apply.
- 1.3. National prescriptions will not apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on www.yccarnac.com/regates-morbihan/european-championship-windsurfer, including official documents of the Jury and Race Committee for the hearing requests or other requests.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the first race of the day it will take effect on the ONB.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Official Flagpole located at the end on the west side of CARNAC harbour pier.
- 4.2. When AP flag is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP instruction. This changes WCR Race Signals.
- 4.3. [NP][DP] When Flag 'D' is displayed ashore, no boats are permitted to leave the shore.

5. EVENT PROGRAM AND FORMAT

- 5.1. The Championship is an 'On Call' regatta.
- 5.2. Skipper meetings may be conducted on the morning on the Windsurfer Village outside.
- 5.3. There are scheduled 9 courses races, 1 long-distance Marathon and 1 complete slalom heats for each category.
- 5.4. To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least 3 minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.5. No racing session will be started following the schedule program above.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday 07 th June	14.00-18.00	Registration
Thursday 08 th June	09 – 11.30 12.00 14.00 18.30	Registration Competitors Briefing 1 st Warning signal of races Welcome drink
Friday 09 th June	11.00 19.00	1 st Warning signal of races Dinner Dinner
Saturday 10 th June	11.00	1 st Warning signal for races

Sunday 11 th June	10.00 As soon as possible after race	1 st Warning signal for races Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony
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6. CLASS FLAG

The class flags will be squared, with a black Windsurfer symbol on a colored background for division A,B, C, D and F

	WOMAN
	LIGHT
	MEDIUM
	HEAYY
	SUPERHEAYY

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1 The competition area will be in front of the Windsurfer Village, in front of the club house.(See Attachment 1)
- 7.2 [DP] Boards not racing shall avoid the Racing Area

8. COURSES

- 8.1. The diagram in Attachment 2 shows the courses for course racing.
- 8.2. Course racing sessions may consist of 3 or 4 races back-to-back. Two fleets (A-B-F) and (C-D)
- 8.3. Marathon: the course will be defined in the Sailing Instructions for Marathon at the mandatory Briefing. Single fleet.
- 8.4. Slalom Course will be defined On Sailing instructions for Slalom Heats for the 5 categories (A-B-C-D-F)

9. MARKS

9.1. Course Racing

- Marks 1,2,3,4 are:

START LINE	BUOY 1	BUOY 2	BUOY 3	BUOY 4	FINISH LINE
BETWEEN 2 BOATS	RED BUOY	ORANGE BUOY	ORANGE BUOY	RED BUOY	BETWEEN 1 BOAT AND 1 YELLOW BUOY

- The start line will be a flagstaff displaying an orange flag on the Race Start Committee Boat and a pin end boat with staff and an orange flag
- The finish line will be a blue flag on the Race Finish Committee boat and an Yellow mark.
- A clearance buoy may be streamed from the stern of the Race Committee start boat. Boards shall not pass between this buoy and the Race Committee start boat at any time.

9.2. Marathon Course

- Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions for Marathon. See attachment to be delivered before the Marathon.

9.3 Slalom Course

- Courses will be described on the Sailing instructions for Slalom. See attachment to be delivered before the Slalom.

10. THE START

10.1. Course Races

- Course races will be started according to WCR26:

<i>Minutes relative to starting signal</i>	<i>Flag Signal</i>	<i>Sound Signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
- 5	Colored categories Flags	One	Warning signal
- 4	Flag I, Flag U or Black flag	One	Preparatory signal
- 1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Blue or yellow Flag removed	One	Starting Signal
+ 30 Seconds		One long	Cease Pumping

- A board starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored 'DNS' without a hearing. This changes WCR A4 and A5.
- The warning signal for each succeeding division shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding division.
- Boards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10.2. Marathon Race See attachment SI Marathon

On water start

- The starting line will be between a flagstaff on the race committee boat and the centre of a mark to be described at the marathon sailing instructions.

10.3 Slalom Race

See attachment SI Slalom

11. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race arrival boat and nearby laid mark colored yellow.

12. OFFICIAL BOATS

12.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

- Jury/Judges – yellow flag with letter “JURY”
- Race Committee – YCC penant or YCC written on boats
- Rescue – Yellow Jacket worn by driver.

12.2 Official boats may be close to every mark and close to the Finishing Line. The absence of such a boat will not be ground for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

13. PROPULSION

13.1. Rule 42 shall apply only when competitors are sailing to windward or on a close-hauled course from 30 seconds after the starting signal (changes rules 42). One long sound signal may be made to indicate 30 seconds after the starting signal.

13.2. Pumping shall be unrestricted for the marathon and slalom events.

13.3. Appendice P applies modified like this for all classes:

-P2.1 first and second penalty,

When a boat is firstly and secondly penalized under Rule P1.2 her penalty shall be one-turn penalty under R44.2. If she fails to take it she shall be disqualified without a hearing.

-P2.2: Third penalty

When a boat is penalized the third time during the event she shall promptly retire. If she fails to do it so she shall be disqualified without a hearing and her score shall not be excluded.

-P2.3: Subsequent penalties

RRS P2.3 do not apply and RRS P2.2 apply in every infraction after the third

14. SYSTEM PENALTIES

14.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14.2 [DP] For breaches of rules other than part 2 and RRS 28 and 31, penalties are at the discretion of the jury.

15. TIME LIMIT COURSE RACING

15.1. The target time for the first board to complete the full course will be 40 minutes.

15.2. The time limit for **the first board of each category** in each race to reach the 1st mark is 15 minutes.

15.3. The time limit for the first board to complete the full course will be 50 minutes. If no board has finished within 50 minutes of the start of that race, the race will be cancelled.

15.4. Boards failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first board in their start group finishes the full course will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes WCR 35, A4, and A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1. Course Races and Marathon

- Competitors intending to protest shall inform the finish boat as soon as practicable after finishing.
- Protest forms will be available on line on www.yccarnac.com/regates-morbihan/european-championship-windsurfer Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered on line within the appropriate time limit.
- The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last board has finished the last race of the day.

- Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the race office beginning at the time posted.
 - Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform competitors under Rule 61.1(b).
 - Breaches of instructions 18, 20 and 23 will not be grounds for protest by a board. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the Protest Committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this Instruction will be [DPI].
 - On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered;
 - within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes Rule 66.
- 16.2. On the last scheduled day of competition, a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes Rule 62.2 and Rule 66.
- 16.3. Slalom protest:
Appendix T RRS 2021 – 2024 will apply.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2. One race is required to complete the regatta.
- 17.3. Course Racing and Marathon: The Low Point System will apply for course racing and the marathon event. Each board will be awarded points for each race and for the Marathon based on her finishing place within her division. Divisions are defined in the NoR (A, B,C,D and F)
- 17.4. When fewer than 3 course races have been completed, a board's series course racing score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.5. When from 4 to 8 course races have been completed, a board's series course racing score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score ("one discard").
- 17.6. When 9 races have been completed, a boat' series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores (2 discards). This changes Appendix B A2 (a) and (b).
- 17.7. Overall: A board's overall score shall be the total of the following:
- Course place: (course racing place within her division based on her course racing series score)
 - Course average (course race score divided by the number of races less the number of discards)
 - Marathon place
 - Slalom place

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. For the Marathon each board intending to race shall personally sign-on in the designated area of the Windsurfer Village prior to the warning signal and shall personally sign-off as soon as practicable upon returning to shore, but no later than the end of protest time for that day.
- Failure to comply with this Instruction will result in a board being disqualified.
- 18.2. All competitors shall wear whilst competing, personal flotation devices which are in good condition and in accordance with the specifications issued or approved by World Sailing. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 1.2.

- 18.3. A competitor that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area, or if that is not possible, shall notify the race office as soon as possible after returning ashore and before the end of the protest time limit.

19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 19.1. A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a board can be instructed by a Race Committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 19.2. Substitution of equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.3. Competitors shall not wear or carry clothing or equipment for the purpose of increasing their weight. However, a competitor may wear a drinking container that shall have a capacity of at max one liter and weight no more than 1.5 kilograms when full.
- 19.4. Weight category check will be performed with short and tee shirt without shoes.
- 19.5. Registration is confirmed on presentation of the measurement form, which can be collected at registration.

20. [NP][DP] SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support boat shall not be in the area where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 20.2 The penalty for a breach of that rule may be from a minimum of 5 points to DSQ after hearing added to the score of every boat supported by the infringing boat.
- 20.3 Support boats intending to be included in the safety organization, shall be register to the YCC secretariat and the driver shall wear the fluorescent yellow waistcoat provided by OA (a fee deposit). This yellow fluorescent waistcoat must be returned at the end of the event.
- 20.4 Support boats are bound by the RRS 4

21. BASIC PRINCIPLES “FREE PLASTIC EVENT”

- 21.1. Environmental Responsibility - participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact for the event.
- 21.2. Sailors shall not put rubbish in the water.

22. BOARD STORAGE

- 22.1. Boards may be stored at Windsurfer Village in the area dedicated for competitors, from Wednesday evening until Monday morning.
- 22.2. To promote efficient use of this facility, competitors are encouraged to label equipment and respect assigned zones as displayed in annex one.

23. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

- 23.1. Radio: except in an emergency, a board shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boards. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

- 23.2. Tracking equipment: during the marathon only, competitors may carry a mobile phone or GPS device. This allows for a competitor to use a GPS-based application, or similar, in order for a remotely located guest to follow their on-water progress.

24. RACE RESULTS

Race results will be posted on the official notice board www.yccarnac.com/regates-morbihan/european-championship-windsurfer. Results may also be published all on the WhatsApp group.

25. PRIZES

- 25.1. Prizes will be awarded according to the NoR.
- 25.2. Prizes for Overall will be awarded to the the first competitor with the lowest pentathlon score of each category.
- 25.3. The organizing authority could award special prizes.

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 26.1. Competitors who participate in competition At Yacht Club de Carnac do so entirely at their own risk and responsibility. Attention is drawn to Fundamental Rule 4 Decision to Race, which states "The responsibility for a board's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 26.2. Yacht Club de Carnac, the International Windsurfer Class Association and the International Windsurfer Class Association - Europe, its officers, officials, members, servants, volunteers and agents accept no liability with respect of loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of competitors' participation or intended participation in the event or howsoever arising in connection with the event.

26.3. ENTRY DISCLAIMER

It is the competitor's sole decision to enter this event and to start and or to continue to compete. By way of entering, competitors acknowledge and agree that participation in this event can be dangerous and accept that their participation is at their exclusive risk in every respect. In addition, by way of entering competitors shall hold harmless the organizing authority, its officers, members, servants and agents and all other competitors in respect of all liability for injury to their person and or loss or damage to their property howsoever arising from their participation or intended participation in this event and acknowledge and accept that the organizing authority, its officers, members, servants, agents and other competitors accept no responsibility in respect to loss of life, personal injury or loss or damage to property which may be sustained by reason of a competitor's participation or intended participation in this event or arising for whatever reason in connection with this event.

- 26.4. All competitors will be required to sign an entry form at registration that includes an entry disclaimer.

By way of entering, competitors also agree to compete in a spirit of good sportsmanship, which promotes safe, fair and inclusive sport.

RACE OFFICERS

CHAIRMAN RACE COMMITTEE

JEAN LUC BORT

CHAIRMAN JURY:

BRUNO GUTTERIEZ

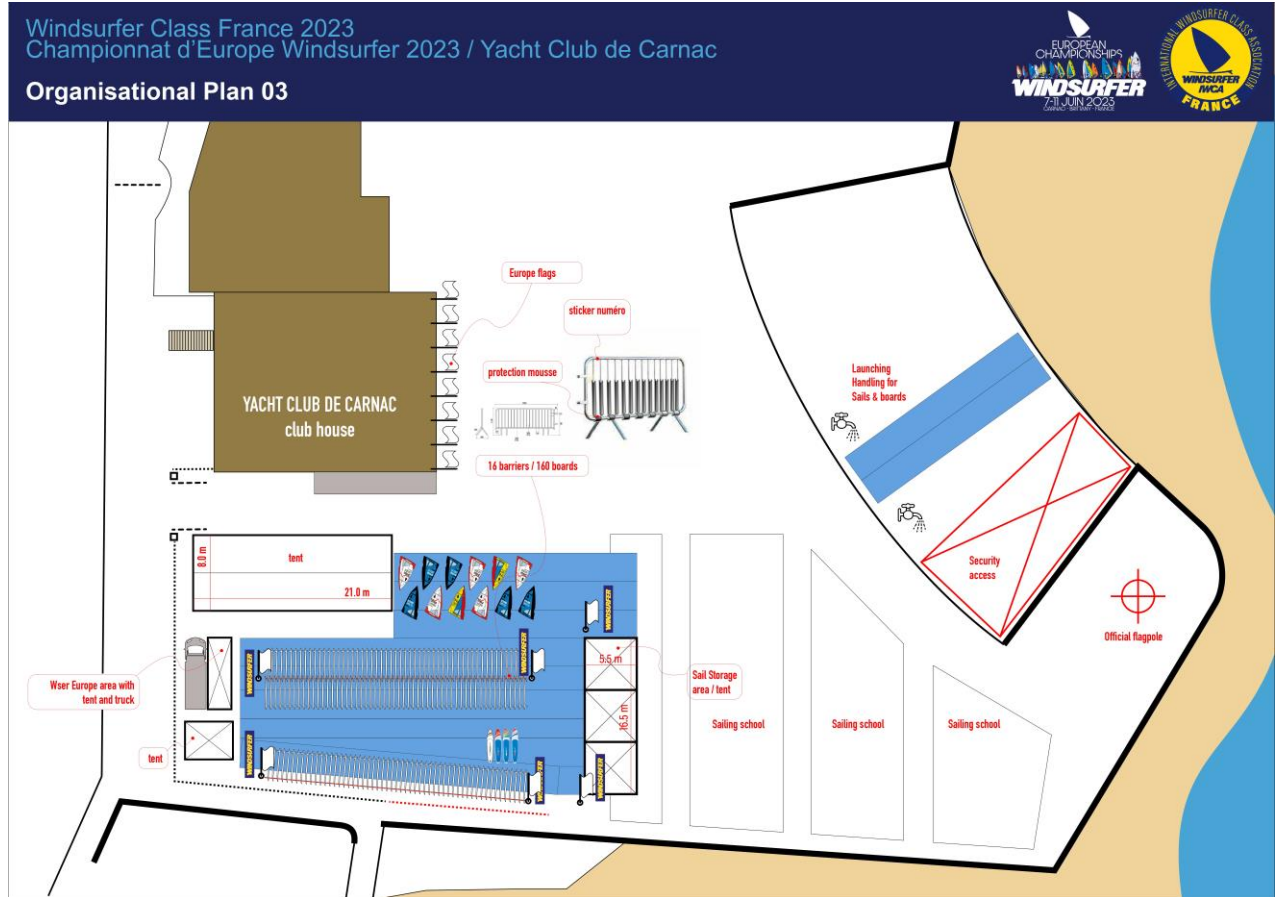
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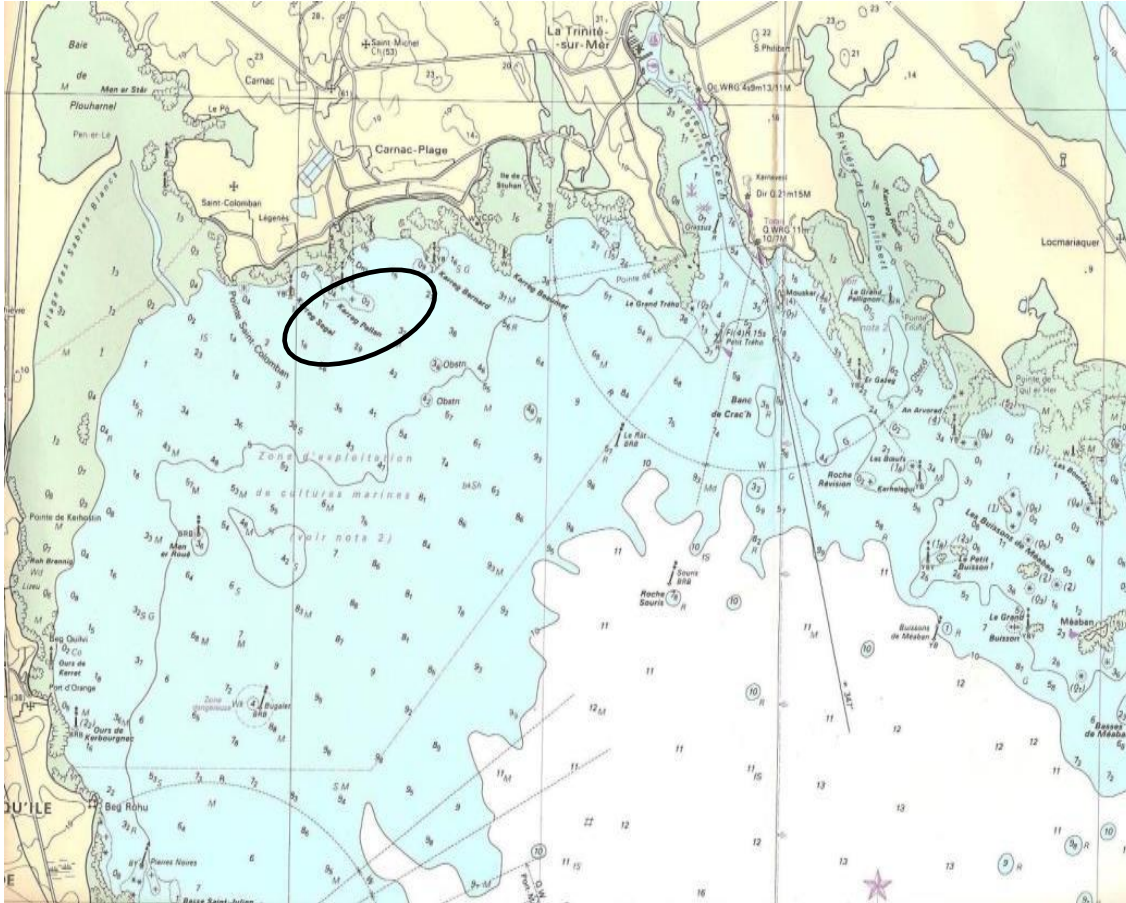
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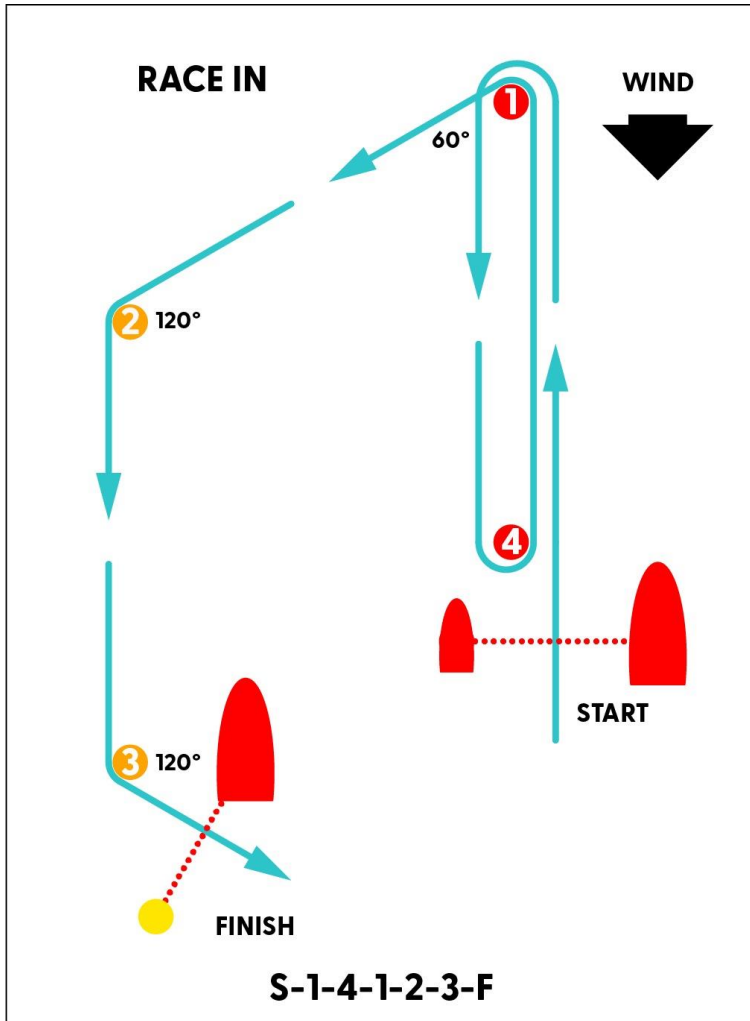


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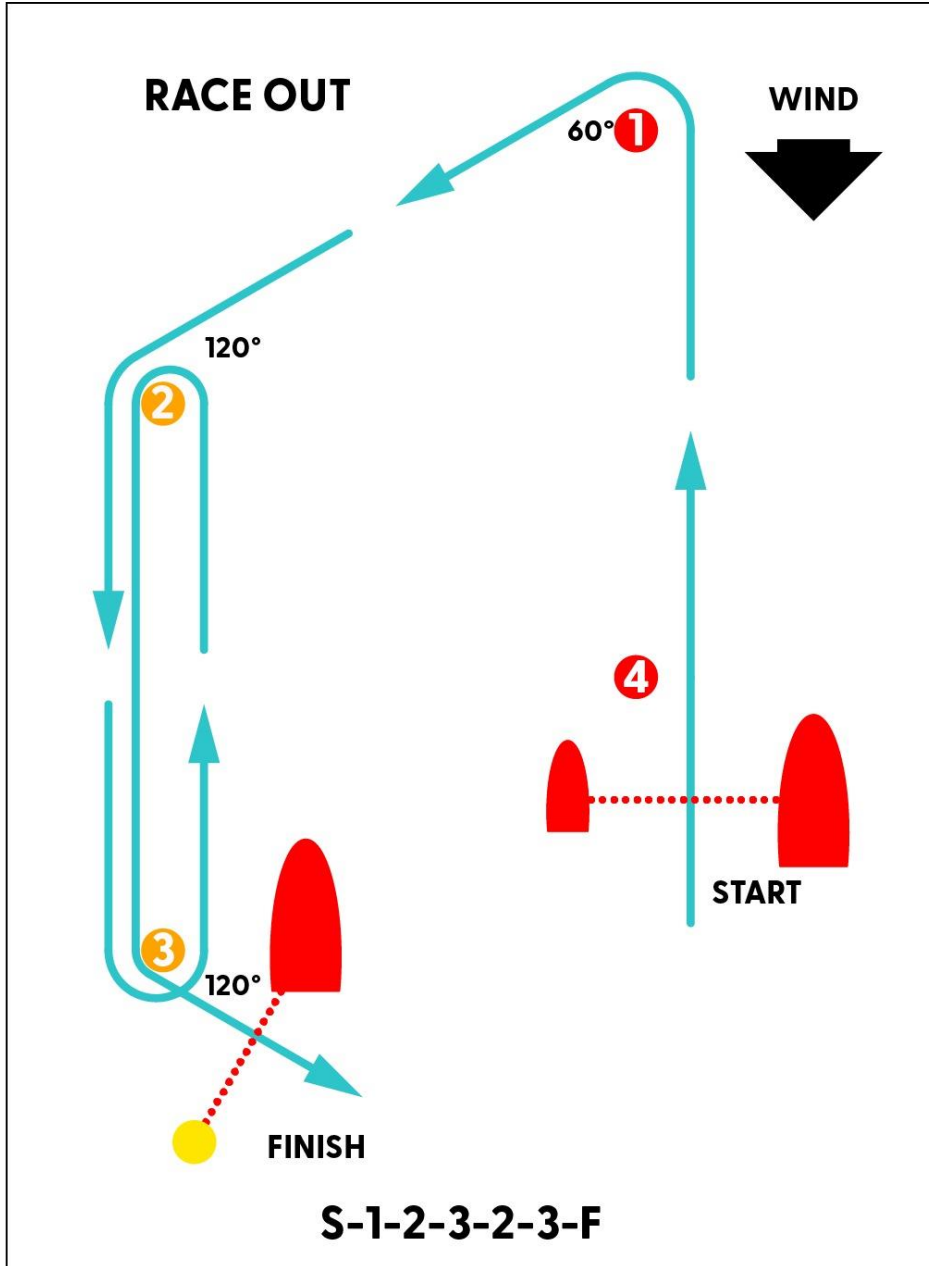
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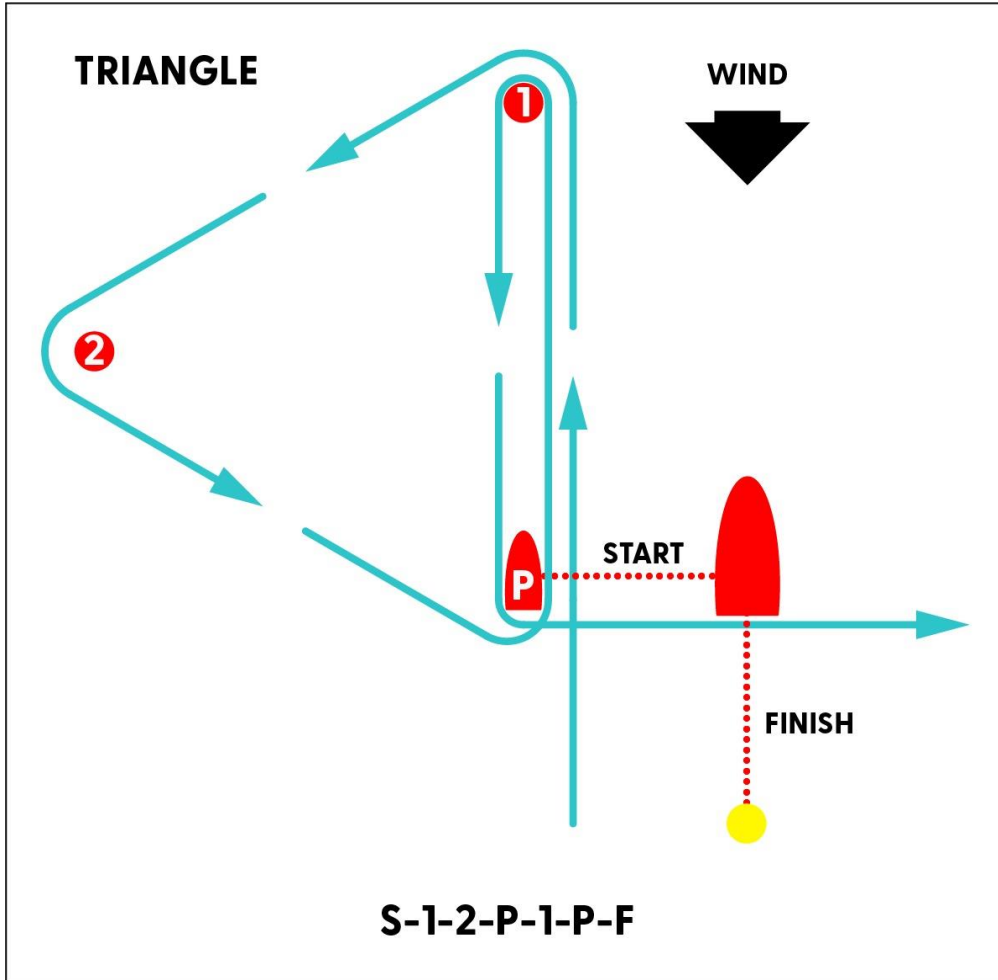
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PENNANT 2



START LINE	BUOY 1	BUOY 2	BUOY 3	BUOY 4	FINISH LINE
BETWEEN 2 BOATS	RED BUOY	ORANGE BUOY	ORANGE BUOY	RED BUOY	BETWEEN 1 BOAT AND 1 YELLOW BUOY

PENNANT 3



START LINE	BUOY 1	BUOY 2	FINISH LINE
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