



Aircalin Match racing Cup 2017

Open and Youth event

11th-15th August 2017



NOTICE OF RACE

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Cercle Nautique Calédonien (Nouméa Yacht Club)

2 VENUE

The venue will be Nouméa, New Caledonia

3 EVENT GRADING

The event World Sailing Grade 3

This grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

4.1 The event will be held from Friday 11th August – Tuesday 15 August 2017.

Friday 11th August 2017

0900 – 1700 hrs. Sailing Office open, Registration and Crew Weigh-in

1000 – 1300 hrs. Practice Session One

1330 – 1630 hrs. Practice Session Two

1730 Hrs. First Briefing, meeting with the umpires.

1800 Hrs. Welcome function.

Saturday 12th August 2017

0800 hrs. Breakfast – CNC Yacht club

0845 hrs. Daily Briefings – Ballroom

1000 hrs. First race each day

Sunday 13th August 2017

0800 hrs. Breakfast – CNC Yacht club

0845 hrs. Daily Briefings – Ballroom

1000 hrs. First race each day

Monday 14th August 2017

0800 hrs. Breakfast – CNC Yacht club

0845 hrs. Daily Briefings – Ballroom

1000 hrs. First race each day

Tuesday 15th August 2017

0800 hrs. Breakfast – CNC Yacht club

0845 hrs. Daily Briefings – Ballroom

1000 hrs. First race each day

1730 hrs. approx. Prize giving Ceremony, at the conclusion of racing

Post racing Competitor debrief

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4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- (a) Initial briefing for skippers.
- (b) Daily briefing, for skippers.
- (c) Daily press conferences, for skippers sailing that day.
- (d) Regatta dinner, for skippers.
- (e) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Up to 16 skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. (Insert any criteria for invitation).
- 5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing, (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2.
- 5.5 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES

6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by credit card, electronic funds transfer, local currency, cheque.

6.2 Entry Fee

Entry Fee: A non-refundable entry fee of Cfp 75 000 F shall be payable as follows:

- (a) A deposit of Cfp 37 500 by 1700hrs local time on Thursday 1st June 2017;
- (b) The balance of Cfp 37 500 by 1700hrs local time on Monday 17th July 2017

6.3 Withdrawal

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of 120 000 Cfp (1000 €) shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

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6.4 Insurance

All competitors are required to have adequate third party insurance.

7 RULES

- 7.1 (a) the event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017–2020 Racing Rules, including Appendix C.
- (b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- (c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.

7.2 Major Alterations to the RRS

- (a) Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
- (b) RRS C8.6 and C6.3 will be changed in the sailing instructions.

7.3 An IJ will be appointed, and approved by the NA in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

8 BOATS AND SAILS

- 8.1 The event will be sailed in Elliott 6 type boats.
- 8.2 10 boats will be provided.
- 8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- 8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the race committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

9.1 The total number of crew, including the skipper, shall be 3 or 4. All registered crew shall sail all races.

9.2 Crew Weighing

- (a) The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 262.5 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
- 9.3 Crew weight may be checked during the regatta. At any re-weighing the total weight limit is increased by 10 kg. Any crew weighing in excess of this increased limit shall not be penalised, but they shall reduce their weight to the increased weight limit before racing again.
- 9.4 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- 9.5 When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

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10 EVENT FORMAT

- 10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.
- 10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:
 - Stage 1 - a single round robin
 - Stage 2 - Quarter finals
 - Stage 3 - Semi Finals, petite Final, Finals

The OA may change the format depending on the number of entries.

- 10.3 The OA may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

11 COURSE

- 11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

12 ADVERTISING

- 12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, World Sailing regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- 12.2 As boats are supplied by the competitors the advertising category of the Class will apply.
- 12.3 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 The principal prize for first place will be The Open Aircalin Match Racing Cup Trophy and a Youth Aircalin Match racing cup Trophy
- 13.2 The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES and SOUND

- 14.1 If required by the OA:
 - (a) Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.
 - (b) Competitors shall wear microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or RC.
 - (c) Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.

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14.2 Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

14.3 The OA have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15 COACH BOATS

15.1 The OA will provide a coach boat from which coaches may observe racing and communicate with their teams between matches. Individual coach boats will not be permitted.

16 DISCLAIMER

All those taking any part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

17 INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from youth and open invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the attached form.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

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