

# FRANCE OPEN SKIFFS

STEP 1 - BREIZHSKIFF TROPHY  
From 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>nd</sup> April 2023

Organized by “La Ligue de l’Enseignement Meuse”  
LAC DU DER - Nautical Station - 51290 GIFFAUMONT



## Sailing Instructions

### Preamble

- ✓ **This document, translated into English, is intended only to assist foreign competitors. Only the French version will take precedence.**
- ✓ French is the official language in this event.
- ✓ The boats admitted must confirm their registration with the organizing authority.
- ✓ At the time of registration, competitors (all members of the same crew) residing in France must present their valid FFV licenses with the medical stamp and accompanied by parental permission for minors.
- ✓ Each foreign competitor must have a document certifying his membership in a club recognized by his national federation and must present the receipt of a “third party” insurance with a minimum coverage of 2,0500,000 €. Otherwise, the competitor will subscribe, at the time of registration, an equivalent and specific regatta insurance by the FFVOILE insurer (MMA).
- ✓ The leaders of the boats, carrying an individual Publicity, must present a valid authorization issued by the FFVOILE.

### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta is governed by:

- ✓ The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024
- ✓ The regulations of Federal Championships and the relevant national rankings when applicable.
- ✓ The regulation of the Lake (posted on the official board which is on the windows of the Committee Room)

1.2 The rules of the class, unless any of them is changed by the Sailing Instructions.

1.3 Environmental Protection rule: a boat shall not throw trash in the water. Trash can be dropped aboard accompanying or organization committee boats.

1.4 RRS 31 "touch a mark" is amended so that a boat can touch a mark provided that it does not move and that this mark is neither a starting nor a finishing mark.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Committee room windows.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board no later than 9:00 am on the day it enters into force, except that any change to the schedule of races which will be posted by 8:00 pm on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flag mast located in front of the office of the UFOLEP Sailing School.
- 4.2. When AP flag is displayed ashore, the warning signal cannot be made less than 30 minutes after the lowering of AP flag. This changes Race Signals.
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40.1 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- ✓ Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 1:15 pm:
  - Registration confirmation
- ✓ Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 2.00 pm:
  - First warning signal
- ✓ Sunday, April 9<sup>st</sup> 10:30 am
  - First warning signal
- ✓ Monday, April 13<sup>nd</sup> 9:30 am
  - First warning signal (No warning signal after 0:30 pm)
- ✓ Results and friendship drink → Asap

- 5.2. When there was a long delay and that more than one race (or sequence of races for two or more classes) are played on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as possible. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

#### 6. CLASS FLAG → Purple flag.

#### 7. RACING AREAS → Lake of Der sailing area.

#### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 Courses are described in the **appendix**, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg and the signal, specified in the **appendix 2**, identifying the course to be sailed.
- 8.3 When there is a gate, boats shall pass between the marks forming the gate from the direction of the previous mark and get round one of the marks of the door.
- 8.4 In case of raid: displaying flag D on the committee boat means there is a offset mark (see Part 9.1 of the Sailing Instructions). No flag D means that there is no offset mark.  
GREEN flag displayed means that the offset mark is to rounded on STARBOARD. This changes Race Signals. Absence of GREEN flag means that the offset mark is to rounded PORT. This changes Race Signals.

#### 9. MARKS

- 9.1 Courses marks:
  - ✓ Marks 1,2,3 & 4: white conical buoy with a FFVoile logo
  - ✓ Mark 1bis → red conical buoy
- 9.2 Change of course mark: Not applicable
- 9.3 Starting & finishing marks:
  - ✓ Starting mark is a viewfinder boat.
  - ✓ Finishing mark is a blue conical buoy.
- 9.4 Raid marks:
  - ✓ Numbered fixed marks of the lake will be used.
  - ✓ The offset mark, if it exists, will be a red conical buoy

#### 10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Not applicable

## **11. THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be on line with RRS 26 with the warning signal sent 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff of the race committee boat displaying an orange flag on starboard and a staff of the viewfinder boat displaying an orange flag of the port-end.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been given shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.  
This changes RRS A4.

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

Not applicable

## **13. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag and the course side of the finishing mark defined in Part 9.3 of the Sailing Instructions.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 For all classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that two-turns Penalty is replaced by a One-turn Penalty.

## **15. TIME LIMITS for coastal courses:**

- 15.1 The time limit of the first to mark 1 or 1bis is 30 mn  
If no boat has rounded Mark 1 or 1bis in the time limit, the race will be canceled. This changes RRS 32.1.
- 15.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored "DNF".

## **16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest and recognition of offense forms are available at the race secretariat. Complaints and recognition of offense shall be delivered there within the time limit.
- 16.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 16.3 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 Jury committee room, located at the CSLU building.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1 (b).
- 16.5 Breaches of instructions 1.4, 11.3, 14.1, 18, 19, 22 and 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if jury decides so.
- 16.6 On the last schedule 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 party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

## **17. SCORING**

- 17.1 The Point System "a minima" in Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 "A minima" points system Application:
  - ✓ A minimum one race is required to validate the competition.
  - ✓ The classification will be made on the number of races validated excluding the less favorable unless only four races have been finished, in which case the ranking is based on these three races.
  - ✓ 9 validated races are required to remove the 2 worst scores.
- 17.3 Abbreviation DPG "Discretionary Penalty Given" will apply (see part 16.5 of Sailing Instructions).

## **18. SAFETY RULES**

18.1 A checking system will be set up for all competitors.

A competitor, who did not check out at the start of a race or a set of races without returning ashore, will receive a penalty of 10% of enrollment with a minimum of 3 places at the first race of the day, without instruction.

A competitor, who did not check in ashore, will receive a penalty of 10% of enrollment with a minimum of 3 places at the last race of the day, without instruction.

A competitor, who did not check in and check out, will receive a penalty of 10% of enrollment with a minimum of 3 places at all races of the day.

18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **19. REPLACEMENT OF COMPETITORS OR EQUIPMENT**

✓ Substitution of competitors shall be written and address to the race committee.

✓ Substitution of damage or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee.

## **20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat and/or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

## **21. OFFICIAL BOATS**

Not applicable

## **22. SUPPORT BOATS**

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas 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, a general recall or abandonment.

## **23. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **24. PRIZES**

Cup and Trophy to the first three.

## **25. DISCHARGE OF RESPONSIBILITY**

All competitors participate to this race at their own risk entirely (see RRS 4, Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, injury or death, as part of the race, both before, during or after the race.

## **RACE OFFICIALS**

Race Committee Chairman: Jean Pierre EVRARD

Jury Chairman: Jacques TERRASSON

## SUPPORT PROCESS

**1. Flag "V"**

Ashore in the Official mast or on boats race committee flag "V" code means:

**"I ask assistance to coaches and support personnel"**

**2. PROCESS TO FOLLOW:**

**2.1 ASHORE:**

The team leaders, coaches and other personnel support on site shall be at the disposal of the security leader who will assign tasks.

**2.2 ON THE WATER:**

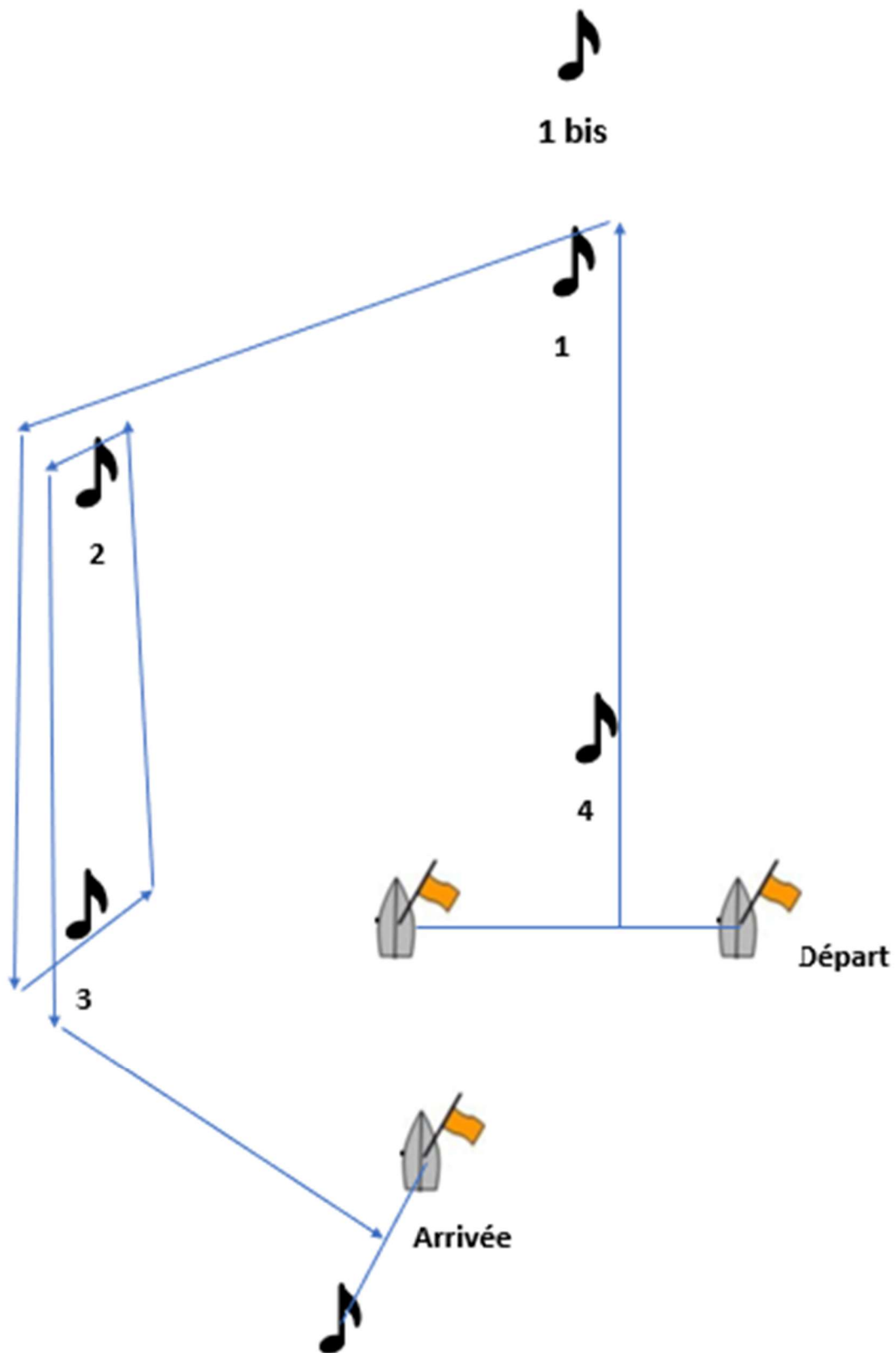
The team leaders, coaches and other personnel support present on the racing area shall get in touch with the VHF security leader using the channel assigned to surveillance and be available.

**2.3** The VHF channel used for the race will be: **72**

**3. RESPONSIBILITY OF RACING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:**

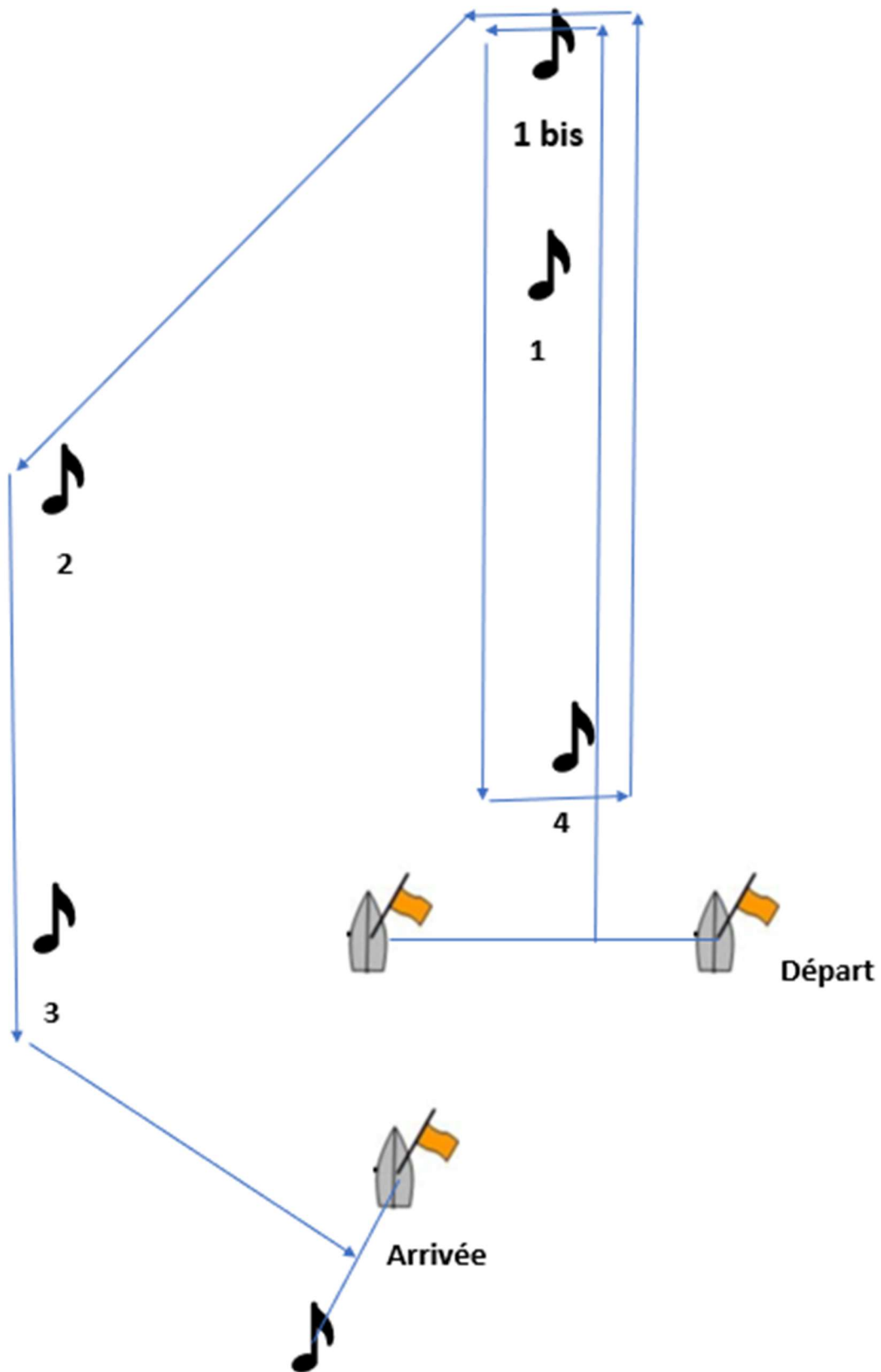
The Chairman of the Committee is responsible to implement this process, and as soon as it is no longer necessary to immediately inform, by displaying the flag "V" and by VHF, the team leaders, coaches and other support personnel present on the racing area.

**4.** Where the assistance procedure is implemented, RRS 23 of sailing instructions does not apply to team leaders, coaches and other support personnel involved in the process.



Parcours 1 : Départ, 1, 2, 3, 2, 3, Arrivée

Flamme numérique 1 : 



Parcours 2 : Départ, 1bis, 4, 1bis, 2, 3, Arrivée

Flamme numérique 2 : 