

NOTICE OF RACE

O'PEN BIC WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

17th to 23rd July 2016

TO BE HELD AT

Ecole Nationale de Voile, Saint Pierre Quiberon, Brittany, France

http://worlds2016.openbic.com/

Organized by:

Comité Départemental de Voile du Morbihan (CDV56)

in co-operation with the

ENVSN, Bic Sport & O'pen Bic Class Association



1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The OBCA Class Rules apply, with the following amendment to C.5.1.(i) A tow line not less than 5mt in length and 7mm in diameter shall be fixed to the boat and be ready to use at all times while afloat.
- 1.3 Only 4.5 sqm sails will be allowed for all divisions.
- 1.4 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.5 The **Open Bic Addendum Q**, approved by World Sailing under RRS 86.2 and allowing umpiring on the water for all races, will apply.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. ISAF Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 The participating age divisions shall be:
- 3.1.1 UNDER 13 born in 2004, or not later than 2007.
- 3.1.2 UNDER 16 born in 2001, or not later than 2003.
- 3.1.3 UNDER 19 born in 1998, or not later than 2000.
- 3.2 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All competitors shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of their O'pen Bic National Class Association, if any, which shall be a paid up member of the international O'pen Bic Class Association.
- 4.3 A competitor shall have participated in their National O'pen Cup, or a National Championship of any ISAF class, prior to this event.
- 4.4 A competitor shall participate in the selection race scheduled for Monday 18th July.
- 4.5 Eligible competitors may <u>enter online</u> credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.
- 4.6 All competitors requiring a charter boat shall first <u>confirm the allocation with OBCA</u>.
 Go to Additional Information in this NoR for further details of the Charter Service.
- 4.7 The following shall be presented upon registration at the race office:
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance (see also NoR #18)
 - Proof of age
 - <u>Emergency Contact and Health Information Form</u> for those under age of 18

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 The required competitor entry fee is **190 euro**.
- 5.2 The deadline for entries with payment of entry fees is 30th June 2016.
- 5.3 A discount of 40 euro will be applied to entries, with payment, received by 31st May.
- 5.4 Late entries received after 30th June will be charged an entry fee of 240 euro.
- 5.5 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash euros.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The number of races for all divisions will be at the discretion of the Race Committee after consultation with the Class Representative.
- 6.2 Boys and girls shall race together.
- 6.3 Divisions may race as one fleet or in groups depending upon entry numbers.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship for each division.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1

Saturday 16 July		Arrival, training, charter distribution
Sunday 17 July	10:00 - 17:00	Registration & equipment inspection
Monday 18 July	10:00 - 12:00	Late registration
	13:00	Selection Race
	18:00	Opening Ceremony
Tuesday 19 July	10:00	First possible warning signal
Wednesday 20 July	10:00	Racing
Thursday 21 July	10:00	Team Racing Freestyle Session
Friday 22 July	10:00	Racing
	18:00	Social evening including dinner
Saturday 23 July	10:00	Racing
	16:00	Last possible warning signal
	19:00	Prize giving and closing ceremony
Sunday 24 July		Departure

- 7.2 Participation in the selection race is mandatory; a competitor wishing to race in the championship shall participate unless exonerated in writing by the Race Committee or the selection race does not take place.
- 7.3 The first possible warning signal for each day will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 20:00 of the preceding day.
- 7.4 The Social Event Programme will be available at event registration.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.2 Upon completion of registration and until the end of the event, at all times when ashore except when launching and retrieving, all equipment shall be kept in their assigned places at event site. Removal of any equipment from the event site requires prior written approval from the race committee. Access to equipment in the storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.
- 8.3 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boats and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with WCR Appendix N. Their decisions shall be final as provided by RRS 70.5.

12 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A, except for the discard profile. If 4 races have been completed a boat may discard their worst score; if 9 races have been completed a boat may discard their two worst scores.

13 COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1 Coaches and support personnel may <u>register online</u> credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.
- 13.2 The registration fee is 50 euro.
- 13.3 Coaches wishing to use the lift on site for launching and retrieving their boat will be required to pay an additional 50 euro fee.
- 13.4 Coach boat charter is available, please contact CDV56: tel– 02 97 42 58 39 email– <u>cdv56@wanadoo.fr</u>
- 13.5 The following shall be presented upon registration at the race office:
 - Boat Driving Licence (if applicable)
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for every competitor and support boat crew member at all times while afloat except, briefly, while changing clothes.
- 14.2 Every competitor and support boat crew member shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's.
- 14.3 All support boats and coaches must be able to receive communications from the Race Committee on VHF. The VHF channel used will be posted on the official notice board before the first racing day.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first five competitors of each properly constituted division, and if required to the first girl in each division.
- **15.2** The first competitor in each division shall be declared **"O'pen Bic (division) World Champion"**.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion – "smart casual" is required. **Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non attendance at the prize giving ceremony.**

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see RRS 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 euro per event or the equivalent.

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority 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 reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Registration will take place at race office located: ENVSN – St Pierre Quiberon

20.2 For further information please contact: - CDV56

Tel: 02 97 42 58 39 Email: <u>cdv56@wanadoo.fr</u>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A CHARTER SERVICE

BIC Sport will provide and manage a charter service for participants: Complete Boat (with 4.5 sail) Charter Fee: 150 euro.

Charter boats and sails will be allocated by the International O'pen BIC Class Association, and may be limited to **International competitors only** – ie those travelling from outside of Europe will have priority.

To apply contact - <u>secretary@openbic.com</u> - before completing an entry form. A deposit of 100 euro shall be paid to cover any damage to the equipment.

This deposit will be collected when charter is issued, and reimbursed to the competitor upon the return of the charter equipment in good condition at the end of the event. Charter boats will be available from Saturday 16th July 2016.

B ACCOMMODATION

Several possibilities are available.

Visit tourism website for many local options and privates accommodation:

- <u>www.quiberon.com</u> http://saintpierrequiberon-tourisme.fr

Accommodation is available at the event venue - www.envsn.fr

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