Covid 19 measures Mini 6.50 races

Trophée Marie-Agnès Péron Mini Fastnet





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REASON FOR THE REQUEST

Within the context of the Covid 19 pandemic, Winches Club association, organizer of two Mini 6.50 sailing races request that the Prefect of Finistère authorize the following races :

- The Marie-Agnès Péron Trophy from Thursday 3 to Saturday 5 June 2021
- The Mini-Fastnet from Saturday 12 to Sunday 27 June 2021

PRESENTATION OF THE RACES DEPARTING FROM DOUARNENEZ

These two events are preparatory, qualifying races for the Mini Transat, which will depart in October 2021. They are on the list of priority competitions to be authorized for professional offshore racing registered on the **« French Sailing Federation [FFVoile]** plan and recommendations for High Level Offshore Professional competitions» (see attached document).

- THE 17TH MARIE-AGNES PERON TROPHY

This solo race created by Winches Club in 2005, which honours the memory of skipper Marie-Agnès Péron, lost at sea during the Mini-Transat 1991, has been registered on the Class calendar since 2006.

Since 2012, it's the second challenge of the *French Offshore Solo Championships – Mini 6,50.*

The race departure takes place this year on 3 June and the prizegiving on 5 June. Escort boats : 2 sailing boats will accompany the race

The course (220 nautical miles) : Douarnenez – Iroise sea – South Brittany – Douarnenez

- THE 35TH EDITION OF THE MINI-FASTNET

The Mini-Fastnet, organised since 2002 by the Winches Club, will take place between 12 to 19 June 2021.

The Mini-Fastnet : 600 nautical miles to enter Class Mini history. 4 unforgettable days and nights spent seeking the legendary Fastnet lighthouse, to the south of Ireland : a race to be shared, one of the founding challenges.

In short, you can't be on the Mini circuit without one day taking part in the « Mini-Fastnet ».

The escort boats : 3 sailing boats will accompany the race.

The course (about 600 nautical miles) : Douarnenez – Chenal du Four – Wolf Rock –Racon Buoy northern extremity DST [*traffic separation device*] East of the Scilly – Stags Buoy - Fastnet lighthouse – Douarnenez.

Depending on public health and weather conditions (particularly in the Atlantic, towards the Gironde estuary) substitute courses are possible.





PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES

Within the current context, Winches club is organising a restricted event, without the public or large gatherings. The protocol put into place is the following:

General measures :

- All skippers, organizational staff, volunteers, referees, race gaugers and any other person involved and present on site must present a negative PCR test taken a maximum of 72 hours before arrival onsite.
- Handing in of a self-assessment health questionnaire by the skippers at the time they pick up their tracking devices and race instructions.
- Obligatory masks both outside and inside, hand sanitizing gel available at the entry and exit of dedicated areas, respect of physical distancing and hygiene measures.
- Spaces to be ventilated and disinfected regularly.
- Filtering on the pontoons and dedicated areas for registration by a member of the association or a volunteer using a coloured bracelet system for the duration of the races.

Dedicated areas :

The dedicated areas for race preparation will be clearly distinct and subject to physical distancing and hygiene regulations.

The skippers will arrive individually to finalise their registration, do their security controls and pick up their tracking devices and race instructions and give in their self-assessment health questionnaires.

A one way circulation system will be established within the Clubhouse and the outside tents.

Clubhouse :

- Organization team checking of negative PCR test and self-assessment health questionnaire
- Mini Class finalization of registrations and administrative formalities
- Race management giving out of race instructions
- Organization team administrative formalities and giving out of tracking devices
- Race HQ will be installed at the race start

Outside tents :

- Security checks
- « Skippers » area with tables and chairs respecting distancing rules

The sequencing of the challenges :

• MAP Trophy

- Monday 31 May ; 9:00 – Opening of the site to skippers for presentation of their negative PCR test (dated at the earliest 28 May ; 9:00) and opening of the registration queue



- Monday 31 May ; 10:30 Start of boat security checks
- Wednesday 2 June ; 18:00 End of security checks and registrations
- Wednesday 2 June ; 18:00 Weather and security briefing by videoconference
- Thursday 3 June ; 6:30 Verification of attendance for race departure and giving in of mobile phones in the tent
- Thursday 3 June ; from 6:30 Towing out of boats to the port exit
- Thursday 3 June ; 9:00 Race departure for 84 boats

On returning from the race :

- Crossing the finish line serves as verification of return
- On his/her arrival, the skipper will be served a hot meal which he/she can eat outside in the tent respecting the numbers of people permitted
- Individual handing in of the tracker device to the organizing team
- Saturday 5 June ; 14:00 Prizegiving outside with limited numbers

• Mini-Fastnet

- Monday 7 June ; 10:00 Opening of the site to skippers for presentation of their negative PCR test (dated at the earliest 4 June ; 14:00) and opening of registration queue
- Monday 7 June ; 14:00 Opening of security checks
- Friday 11 June ; 18:00 End of security checks and registrations
- Saturday 12 June Prologue and testing of tracking devices Saturday 12 June ; 18:00 – Weather and security briefing
- Sunday 13 June ; 7:30 Verification of attendance for race departure and giving in of mobile phones
- Sunday 13 June ; from 7:30 Towing of boats to the port exit
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- Saturday 19 June ; 14:00 Prizegiving outside with limited numbers



RACE ORGANIZATION CHART

MAP Trophy

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