

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Ludik Cup 14-16 October 2026

Cercle Nautique Calédonien (CNC)
NOUMEA – New Caledonia

Optimist, RS Feva, 29er

The notation [NP] (No Protest) in a rule of the Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

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

The notation [SP] in a rule of the SIs means that the penalty for a breach of that rule will be a standard penalty applied by the Race Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

- 1.1 The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 Appendix P, as changed by SI 13.1.
- 1.3 The national authority regulations.
- 1.4 The class rules applicable to each class.
- 1.5 If these Sailing Instructions are translated, the French text will prevail.

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted before 08:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 18:00 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the entrance to the CNC Côte Blanche base.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] [NP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located in front of the Côte Blanche base.

- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 15 minutes after flag AP is removed. This changes Race Signals.
- 5.3 [DP] Permission to launch: Competitors shall remain in their respective boat parks until the GREEN flag is displayed, meaning: 'Competitors may proceed to their racing area.' The warning signal will be made not less than 15 minutes after this flag is displayed.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Dates of racing:

Date		Time of first signal
Saturday 10 October 2026	Collection of charter boats	08:00 to 09:00
Monday 12 October 2026	Sailing	8h00 to 16 :00
Tuesday 13 October 2026	Registration confirmation Opening ceremony / Reception At the CNC Lounge	11:30 to 13:00 17:00 to 20:00
Wednesday 14 October 2026	Briefing First warning signal	08:00 10:00
Thursday 15 October 2026	Briefing First warning signal	08:00 10:00
Friday 16 October 2026	Briefing First warning signal Prize-giving/Closing ceremony BBQ at Côte Blanche	08:00 10:00 16:30 to 20:30

6.2 A minimum of 2 races per day and a maximum of 6 races per day may be sailed.

6.3 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

7. CLASS FLAGS

The class flags are:

The Optimist class flag for the Optimist class.

The RS Feva and 29er **CNC** class flag for the RS Feva and 29er classes.

8. RACING AREAS

The location of the racing areas is shown in the appendix 'Racing Area'.

The racing area may be extended for a long-distance course.

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The courses are described in the appendix 'Courses', including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee will indicate the course to be sailed. The course number will be displayed on a board at the stern of the Race Committee vessel.

10. MARKS:

Starting mark	Course marks	New marks	Finishing mark
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Orange flag on the Race Committee vessel and ~~Yellow~~ White cylindrical buoy	Orange cylindrical buoy or yellow cylindrical buoy		Blue flag on the finishing vessel and white cylindrical 'pool noodle' buoy
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11. THE START

- 11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel at the starboard end and the yellow cylindrical buoy at the port end.
- 11.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal at least four minutes before the warning signal is made.
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When, in a subsequent change, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the Race Committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark on the required side. This changes RRS 28.

13. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag and the white 'pool noodle' buoy.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 Appendix P applies, changed as follows:
RRS P2.3 does not apply and RRS P2.2 applies to any penalty after the first one.
- 14.2 After a hearing, a breach of the rules (except the RRS of Part 2 and RRS 28 and 31) may be penalised by a scoring penalty ranging from 10% of the number of entries to disqualification.
- 14.3 To encourage boats to take a penalty on the water, the jury may blow a whistle when it observes an apparent breach of a racing rule.

15. TARGET TIME AND TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The target times are:
(a) [NP] The target time for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 30 minutes. (b) The Finishing Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes is 15 minutes.
- 15.2 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 In addition to RRS 61.1, a boat intending to protest shall, immediately after finishing and when no longer racing, inform the Race Committee vessel of her intention to protest and identify the boat or boats protested. The protesting boat shall receive confirmation from the Race Committee vessel. This changes RRS 61, Protest Requirements.
- 16.2 Protest forms are available from the protest committee secretariat located in the office at the Côte Blanche base.
Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit. The time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

- 16.4 Notices will be posted within 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 room, beginning at the time posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 16.5 For a protest alleging a breach of a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31, with no damage or injury, arbitration under RRS Appendix T will be available and is strongly recommended.
- 16.6 Notices of protests by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 A list of boats penalised under Appendix P for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 16.6 Breaches of the following instructions will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a):
- Start: boats waiting for their starting sequence
 - Safety regulations
 - Event advertising
 - Support vessels
 - Radio communication
- 16.7 On the last day of the regatta, a request for redress shall be delivered:
- a. within the protest time limit if the party requesting redress was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - a. no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted.
- This changes RRS 62.2.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 Two races are required to constitute the series.
- 17.2 Excluded scores:
- When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - When 5 to 10 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - When 11 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 A sign-out and sign-in system will apply each time boats leave and return ashore, including when returning ashore following the display of flags AP over H or N over H.
- (i) [NP] [DP] Signing out and signing in are mandatory and shall be completed before launching and after returning ashore.
 - (ii) [SP] Penalties without a hearing (changing RRS 63.1) applied by the Race Committee after receipt of the sign-out/sign-in sheets:
 - Failure to SIGN OUT: a boat will receive a 5-point penalty in the race closest to the breach.
 - Failure to SIGN IN: a boat will receive a 5-point penalty in the race closest to the breach.
 - Failure to SIGN OUT and SIGN IN: a boat will receive a 5-point penalty in every race sailed that day.
 - (i) Signing deadlines:
 - Sign-out: the time of the first warning signal of the first race of the day.
 - Sign-in: the protest time limit, or one hour after flags AP over H or N over H are displayed on the water.
- 18.2 [DP] A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 18.3 [NP] [DP] Mandatory towing: for safety reasons, a safety vessel may require a boat that is no longer racing or has retired to accept a tow and return ashore. A crew's refusal may result in action under RRS 69.
- 18.4 Safety equipment: [DP]
- (i) Each boat shall carry the safety equipment required by her class rules and the applicable regulations.
 - (ii) Each boat shall have a towing line ready for use, at least 8 metres long and 6 mm in diameter.

19. EVENT ADVERTISING

Boats shall display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority.

20. OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be identified by a CNC flag.

21. SUPPORT VESSELS

[DP] [NP] Support persons shall remain outside the areas where boats are racing from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired, or the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

22. TRASH DISPOSAL

The regatta is committed to reducing its environmental impact. Competitors shall respect the environment, shall not discard waste and, in particular, shall use reusable water bottles instead of disposable plastic bottles.

While on the water, trash may be placed aboard official vessels.

23. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall neither make voice or data transmissions nor receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

24. PRIZES

For the Optimist class, prizes will be awarded to the first three in the following categories:

- Open overall
- Girls
- Boys
- Under-12 (competitors born in 2015 or later)

Prizes will be awarded provided that a category has at least 5 competitors.

For the RS Feva and 29er classes, prizes will be awarded to the first three:

- RS Feva overall
- 29er overall

Prizes will be awarded provided that a category has at least 3 competitors.

The prize-giving ceremony will take place on Friday 16 October 2026 at approximately 16:30 at the Côte Blanche base.

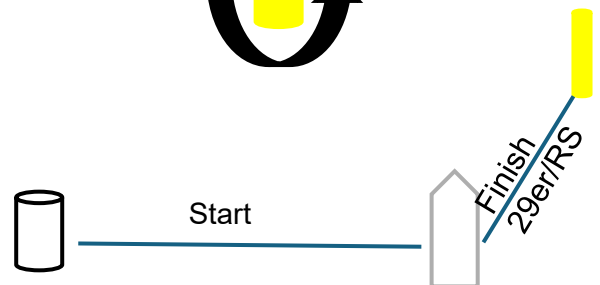
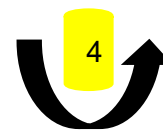
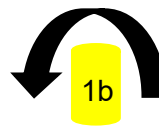
25. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.'

By taking part in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks.

These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather conditions, equipment failure, errors in boat handling, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable surface and fatigue, resulting in an increased risk of injury, as well as risks associated with the marine environment and the possible presence of local marine wildlife.

The risk of material damage and/or personal injury is therefore inherent in the sport of sailing.



APPOINTED RACE OFFICIALS

Optimist N°1 : Start, 1, 2, Finish

Optimist N°2 : Start, 1, 2, 3, Finish

RS Feva and 29er course N°1 : Start, 1, 4, Finish

RS Feva and 29er course N°2 : Start, 1, 4, 1, 4, Finish

Principal Race Officer: Vincent Trinquet

Protest Committee Chair: Guy Perrot