



F18 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

3 - 10 JULY 2010

CLUB DE VOILE DE LA BAIE D'ERQUY
CAROUAL BEACH - ERQUY - FRANCE



NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The F18 World Championship 2010 will be organised by the Club de Voile de la Baie d'Erquy on behalf of the International Formula 18 Catamaran Association, under the authority of FFV and ISAF.

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the following rules :

- 1.1 The *Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The *Equipment rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (ERS)* and his amendments.
- 1.3 The Formula 18 Class Rules.
- 1.4 The prescriptions of the FFVoile which apply will be posted on the official notice board and will be available on www.cvberquy.org website.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING, BOW NUMBERS & TRACKING

Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 All competitors shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19.
- 3.2 All competitors shall be members of their National F18 association, and their current year membership fees shall have been fully paid and verified.
- 3.3 All competitors shall have their entry endorsed by their National Association, or National Authority
- 3.4 Any competitor under the age of 18 years will be required to obtain parental/guardian consent prior to commencement of Championship

4 ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to the boats of the F18 class selected by their National Association or provided with a Wildcard issued by the International F18 Class Association (IF18CA), according to the slot allocation chart published by the IF18CA (see 4.6).
- 4.2 Any boat delivered and/or measured since 1st November 2009 shall affix ISAF plaques on both hulls.
- 4.3 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the official form downloadable on the CVBE website at www.cvberquy.org and sending it, together with the required fee, to Club de Voile de la Baie d'Erquy, from 15th April 2010 to 1st June 2010 deadline.
- 4.4 For boats not selected by their National Association, a waiting list will be established, and the slots not used nor guaranteed by the relevant National Associations by the 15th April 2010 will be then reallocated. Such entries will be accepted until the 1st June 2010 deadline.
- 4.5 After 1st June 2010 deadline, late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organisers. Late entries will be charged the double of the required fee.
- 4.6 The following national quotas will apply :

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| ARG F18 | 5 |
| AUS F18 | 8 |
| BEL F18 | 16 |
| CAN F18 | 5 |
| ESP F18 | 5 |
| FIN F18 | 1 |
| FRA F18 | 24 |
| GBR F 18 | 8 |
| GER F18 | 20 |
| HUN F18 | 3 |
| IRL F18 | 3 |
| ITA F18 | 19 |
| LIT F18 | 1 |
| NED F18 | 22 |
| NOR F18 | 1 |
| NZL F18 | 1 |
| POL F18 | 2 |
| SWE F18 | 7 |
| US F18 | 10 |
| Sub Total | 161 |
| HOSTING NATION | 20 |
| WILDCARDS | 10 |
| Total | 191 |

- 4.7 The top three skippers of the 2009 F18 Worlds will each be granted one of the 10 wildcards.

4.8 No classification requirements will apply.

5 FEES

5.1 The required fee is fixed at 250 Euros. Late entries accepted or received after 1st June will be charged 500 Euros.

5.2 To guarantee possible damage on tracking devices, including tracking unit, charger and waterproof pocket, a damage deposit is required in addition to the entry fee as follows:

5.2.1 An initial damage deposit of 50 € shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA.

5.2.2 Damaged or lost equipment will be charged to the skipper at cost price.

5.2.3 In case of total loss of the tracking device, the OA may require to the skipper to cover a 150 Euros damage fee prior he is permitted to continue in the event.

5.2.4 Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5.3 If an entry is cancelled by the competitor, the entry fee will be refunded as follows:

| Cancellation Date | Entry Fee Refund |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Until 31 May | 100% * |
| 1 st June to 20 June | 50% |
| After 20 June 2010 | 0% |

* Entry fee will be refunded, except administrative fee of 25 € that will be retained.

6 QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

The regatta will consist of a qualifying series and a final series.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration:

Saturday 3 July and Sunday 4 July 2010, from 09:00 To 19:00

7.2 Measurement and Inspection:

Saturday 3 July and Sunday 4 July 2010, from 09:00 To 19:00

7.3 Dates of racing:

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| Sunday 4 July | Practice Race |
| Monday 5 July | Racing |
| Tuesday 6 July | Racing |
| Wednesday 7 July | Racing |
| Thursday 8 July | Racing |
| Friday 9 July | Racing |

- 7.4 Number of races:
Max. number Races per day
15 4 max
- 7.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 15:00 on Sunday 4 July
The scheduled time of the warning signal for each racing day is 11:00
- 7.6 The Prize giving ceremony is scheduled at 19:00 on Friday 9 July 2010.
No first warning signal for a series will be made after 15:00 on that day.

8 MEASUREMENT

- 8.1 Competitors shall produce valid measurement certificates at the time of registration.
- 8.2 Boats shall be available for inspection prior to final registration. Inspections will be driven from Friday 2nd July 09:00 to Sunday 4th July 18:00.
- 8.3 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the sailing instructions or event measurement regulations.
- 8.4 All boats shall carry national letters on their sails.
- 8.5 The equipment limitations as specified in the class rules shall apply.
- 8.6 No fundamental measurement nor any certification will be made by the OA during registration days.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after final registration on Saturday 3 July and Sunday 4 July 2010 at registration desk.

10 VENUE

CVBE website at www.cvberquy.org shows the location of the regatta harbour and the location of the racing areas.

11 THE COURSES

- 11.1 The courses will be windward leeward using either trapezoid with outer and inner loops or two separate race areas.
- 11.2 The approximate course length will be from 1.2 to 1.5 Nautical Mille, aiming a target time of 50 minutes for the first boat to finish. Failure to achieve target time is not grounds for redress.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 Rule 44.1 will apply, and is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 12.2 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will not apply.

- 12.3 Decisions of the Jury approved by the FFVoile in accordance with rule 91(b) will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 13.2 The scoring system will include both qualification and final series results.
- 13.3 Competitors will be seeded into four groups to sail the qualification series.
- 13.4 A minimum of 6 races are required to be completed to constitute the qualification series.
- (a) When fewer than 4 qualification races have been completed, a boat's qualification series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 4 to 8 qualification races have been completed, a boat's qualification series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 13.5 After the qualification series is completed, competitors will be divided into two parts, the first half entering the Gold fleet and the second half entering the Silver fleet. In case of odd entry numbers, Gold fleet will gather one more competitor than Silver fleet.
- 13.6 When fewer than 4 final races have been completed, a boat's final score will be the total of her final race scores, added to her qualification series score.
- 13.7 When 4 or more final races have been completed, a boat's final score will be the total of her final races scores excluding her worst score, added to her qualification series score.
- 13.8 To establish the final results, Gold fleet competitors will be ranked at the top of Silver fleet ones.

14 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register and be marked with the dedicated flame provided by the organisers.

15 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park on the beach.

16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

17 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 17.1. Trophies will be awarded to helmsman and crew of the top 3 finishing boats in both Gold and Silver Fleets.

- 17.2. Special prizes will be awarded to the top 3 finishing “Female” boats – both skipper and crew shall be female.
- 17.3. Special prizes will be awarded to the top 3 Mixed teams.
- 17.4. Special prizes will be awarded to the top 3 finishing “Masters” boats – the skipper shall be 50 years of age or over at the first day of the event.
- 17.5. Special prizes will be awarded to the top 3 finishing “Junior” boats – both skipper and crew shall be under 23 years of age at the first day of the event.
- 17.6. PRIZES WILL BE REWARDED ONLY TO TEAMS WHO ATTEND THE PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY, AND REPRESENTED BY THEMSELVES.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see Fundamental Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance, including coverage when racing at the venue of the Championship, with a minimum cover of 1.500.000 Euros per event or the equivalent. This document shall be in French or English language.

20 MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 By sailing this event a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time and at their discretion, any motion or still pictures, and live, taped or film television and any other reproductions of him/her during the period of The World Championship F18 Catamaran 2010 in which the competitor competes and in all material related to the World Championship F18 Catamaran 2010 without any compensation.
- 20.2 Boats may be required to carry positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.

21 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact 2010worlds@cvberquy.org or visit our website www.cvberquy.org.

Competitors shall make their own housing arrangements. A link on our website towards Erquy’s Tourist Office permits to found hotels, apartments or campings.

A dedicated area for camping cars is located next to the 2010 F18 Worlds Village. Please inform us, would you like to book for such facility.

We wish you a pleasant 2010 F18 World Championship !