TROPHEE LIONELL VAN DER HOUWEN – EMRT Stop 1
19-21 February 2021

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)
The Organising Authority (OA) will be: AMRA (Association Match Racing Antibes).
http://www.matchraceantibes.fr/

2 VENUE
The venue will be Antibes, France.

3 EVENT GRADING
The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 2. This grading is subject to review by the World Sailing. The event may be regraded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME
4.1 Schedule
(a) Race office open on 18th February from 12.00 to 18.00.
(b) Registration and crew weighing on 18th February from 12.00 to 18.00.
(c) Practice on 18th February from 12.45 to 14.45 and from 15.00 to 17.00. Registration for practice is required by email in advance.
(d) First briefing on 19th February at 09.00.
(e) First meeting with the umpires following the first briefing.
(f) Racing days from 19th to 21st February.
(g) A morning meeting will be held at 09.00.
(h) Time of the first race will be at 10.00 each day.
(i) Prize giving on 21st February at 16.30.
4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:
(a) Initial briefing for skippers.
(b) Daily briefing for skippers.
(c) Opening ceremony on Friday 19th February evening for skippers and crews.
(d) Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY
5.1 12 skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
5.2 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
5.3 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (e-mail is acceptable). This acceptance shall be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

5.4 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19.2.

5.5 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing ID at registration.

6 ENTRIES
6.1 The skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. The entry fee shall be paid as under NoR 6.2. The payment of the damage deposits shall be made in cash and in local currency.

6.2 Entry Fee
A non-refundable entry fee of Euro 450 per crew shall accompany the acceptance of the invitation and shall be paid on the OA’s bank account until the date stated in the letter of invitation.

6.3 Withdrawal
When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their ranking points for that event by the World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.4 Damage deposit
(a) An initial damage deposit of Euro 1000 (including Euro 100 in cash and in local currency) shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
(b) If a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
(c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

6.5 Insurance
All competitors are required to have adequate third-party insurance (Minimum coverage: EURO € 1,500,000) and a medical certificate attesting of their sailing ability in competition. Certificates will be requested at registration. In case of difficulty obtaining the insurance certificate, the FFVoile license, which gives the adequate coverage, will be available at the registration desk.

7 RULES
7.1 (a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C.
(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
(c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply will be posted on the official notice board.

7.2 Major Alternations to the RRS
(a) Delete RRS 40.2 and replace with: ‘Rule 40.1 applies to all boats when afloat.’
(b) RRS C8.6 will be changed in the sailing instructions.

7.3 Protocols relating to COVID-19 may be published at any time and will state if they have the status of a rule.

8 BOATS AND SAILS
8.1 The event will be sailed on Beneteau First Class 7.5 type boats.
8.2 6 boats will be provided.
8.3 The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Genoa, Jib, and asymmetric Spinnaker.
8.4 Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)
9.1 The total number of crew (including the skipper) shall be four (4) or five (5). All registered crew shall sail all races.
9.2 The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 350 kg, determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the RC.
9.3 When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorise an original crew member to substitute.

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10 EVENT FORMAT
10.1 Skippers will be seeded into a round robin or divided into two groups based on World Sailing ranking list 30 days prior to the event.

10.2 The event will consist of the following stages:
   - Stage 1 – round robin
   - Stage 2 – play-off (repechage) for 4th place in semi-finals
   - Stage 3 – semi-finals and ranking matches
   - Stage 4 – finals and ranking matches

10.3 The OA may change the format, terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favour of later stages.

11 COURSE
11.1 The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

11.2 The intended course area will be in Antibes.

12 ADVERTISING
12.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, World Sailing Regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

12.2 The OA intends to supply the following equipment: Hulls, spars and sails. Advertising as supplied by the OA is to be displayed on this equipment.

12.3 Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.

12.4 Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

13 PRIZES
There will be no prize money.

14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND
The OA may require television personnel and equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

15 OTHER REQUIREMENTS
Each team is requested to provide team info (team name, crew list, short bio, 1 photo of the team on a boat and 1 head shot photo) no later than 21 days prior the event, by email to the OA.

16 DISCLAIMER
All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused, both ashore and on the water.

17 INVITATIONS
Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. If you wish to be invited please register your request for an invitation as soon as possible with the OA by completing the online invitation request form.