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Language & Abbreviations Used
Mo - Monohull
Mu - Multihull
" ** " means the item applies to all types of boat in all Categories except 5 for which see Appendix B or 6 for which see Appendix C.

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(b) monitor developments in offshore racing relative to the standards of safety and seaworthiness.

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SECTION 1 - FUNDAMENTAL AND DEFINITIONS

1.01 Purpose and Use
1.01.1 The purpose of the Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) is to establish uniform minimum equipment, accommodation and training standards for monohull and multihull (excluding proa) boats racing offshore.

1.01.2 The OSR do not replace, but rather supplement, the requirements of governmental authority, Classification Society certification, the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Equipment Rules of Sailing(ERS), class rules and Rating Systems.

1.01.3 Use of the OSR does not guarantee total safety of the boat and her crew. Particular attention is drawn to the description of OSRs for inshore racing which includes that adequate shelter and or effective rescue is available all along the course. This is not included in more onerous OSR categories.

1.02 Responsibility of Person in Charge
1.02.1 Under RRS 4 the responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a
Race or continue racing is hers alone. The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge who shall do his best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and appropriately trained crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. The person in charge shall also assign a person to take over his responsibilities in the event of his incapacity.

** 1.02.2 Neither the establishment of the OSR, nor their use by Organizing Authorities, nor the inspection of a boat under the OSR in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Person in Charge.

** 1.02.3 By participating in a race conducted under the OSR, the person in charge, each competitor and boat owner agrees to reasonably cooperate with the organizing authority and World Sailing in the development of an independent incident report as specified in 2.02

1.03 Definitions, Abbreviations, Word Usage

** 1.03.1 Definitions of Terms used in this document

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<td>The part of the cockpit, including the transverse after limit, over which water would run when the boat is floating level and the cockpit is filled to overflowing</td>
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| Jackstay     | A securely fastened webbing or rope which permits a crewmember to move from one part of the boat to another without having to unclip a
safety harness tether.

LH  Hull Length as defined by the ERS
Lifeline  Rope or wire line rigged as guardrail / guardline around the deck
LSA  IMO International Life-Saving Appliance Code
LWL  (Length of) loaded waterline
Monohull  A boat with one hull
Moveable  Material carried for the sole purpose of increasing weight and/or
Ballast  influencing stability and/or trim and which may be moved transversely
but not varied in weight while a boat is racing
Multihull  A boat with more than one hull
Open Cockpit  A cockpit that is not a Contained Cockpit.
ORC  Offshore Racing Congress (formerly Offshore Racing Council)
OSR  Offshore Special Regulation(s)
Permanently  The item is effectively built-in by e.g. bolting, welding, glassing etc.
Installed  and may not be removed for or during racing.
PLB  Personal Locator Beacon
Primary  Month & Year of first launch of the first boat of the production series or
Launch  first launch of a non-series boat
Proa  Asymmetric Catamaran
Rode  Rope, chain, or a combination of both, which is used to connect an
anchor to the boat.
RRS  ISAF - Racing Rules of Sailing
Safety Line  A tether used to connect a safety harness to a strong point
SAR  Search and Rescue
SART  Search and Rescue Transponder
Securely  Held strongly in place by a method (e.g. rope lashings, wing-nuts)
Fastened  which will safely retain the fastened object in severe conditions
including a 180° capsize and allows for the item to be removed and
replaced during racing
SOLAS  Safety of Life at Sea Convention
SSS  The Safety and Stability Screening numeral
Static Ballast  Material carried for the sole purpose of increasing weight and/or to
influencing stability and/or trim and which is not moved or varied in
weight while a boat is racing
Static Safety  A safety line (usually shorter than a safety line carried with a harness)
Line  kept clipped on at a work-station
STIX  ISO 12217-2 Stability Index
Variable Ballast  Water carried for the sole purpose of influencing stability and/or trim
and which may be varied in weight and/or moved while a boat is
racing.
Waterline  The water surface when the boat is floating in measurement trim
World Sailing  formerly the International Sailing Federation or ISAF

**  1.03.2  The words "shall" and "must" are mandatory, and "should" and "may" are
  permissive.
**  1.03.3  The word "yacht" shall be taken as fully interchangeable with the word "boat".

SECTION 2 - APPLICATION & GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

2.01  Categories of Events
**  2.01  Organizing Authorities shall select from one of the following categories and may
modify the OSR to suit local conditions
  2.01.3  Category 2
MoMu2  Races of extended duration along or not far removed from shorelines or in large
unprotected bays or lakes, where a high degree of self-sufficiency is required of
the boats

2.02  Incident Reporting
  2.02  The Organizing Authority of a race will establish whether any incidents occurred,
which if reported would be likely to be relevant to evolving the Offshore Special
Regulations, the plan review process, or in increasing safety. The Organizing
Authority will follow any guidelines issued by World Sailing concerning incident
reporting.
2.03 **Inspection**

A boat may be inspected at any time. If she fails to comply with the OSR her entry may be rejected or she will be subject to protest.

2.04 **General Requirements**

**2.04.1 All equipment required by OSR shall:**

**a)** function properly

**b)** be regularly checked, cleaned and serviced

**c)** if it has an expiry date, it will not have exceeded its expiry date whilst racing

**d)** when not in use be stowed in conditions in which deterioration is minimised

**e)** be readily accessible

**f)** be of a type, size and capacity suitable and adequate for the intended use and size of the boat.

**2.04.2 Heavy items shall be permanently installed or securely fastened**

**SECTION 3 - STRUCTURAL FEATURES, STABILITY, FIXED EQUIPMENT**

**3.01 Strength of Build and Rig**

**3.01.1** Properly rigged, fully seaworthy and shall meet the OSR

**3.01.2** Equipped with shrouds and at least one forestay that shall remain connected to the mast and the boat while racing

**3.02 Watertight and Structural Integrity of a Boat**

**3.02.1** Essentially watertight and all openings shall be capable of being immediately secured. Centreboard, daggerboard trunks and the like shall not open into the interior of a hull except via a watertight maintenance hatch with the opening entirely above the Waterline

3.02.2 **Effective 1 January 2021:** Structural Inspection - Consult the owner's manual for any instructions for keel bolt checking and re-tightening. The following inspection to be conducted by a qualified person externally with the boat out of the water. Check that there are no visible stress cracks particularly around the keel, hull/keel attachment, hull appendages and other stress points, inside the hull, backing plates, bolting arrangements and keel floors. (See Appendix L - Model Keel and Rudder Inspection Procedure)

3.02.3 **Effective 1 January 2021:** Evidence of a structural inspection in accordance with 3.02.2 within 24 months before the start of the race or after a grounding whichever is the later

3.02.4 **Effective 1 January 2021:** Inspection after Grounding – an appropriately qualified person shall conduct an internal and external inspection after each unintentional grounding

**3.03 Hull Construction Standards (Scantlings)**

**3.03.1** If a monohull with a Primary Launch after 2009

Mo0,1,2 a) less than 24 m (78'-9") LH shall:

a) i) be designed, built and maintained in accordance with the requirements of ISO 12215 Category A

a) ii) have a World Sailing / ISAF building plan review certificate issued from a notified body recognized by World Sailing, unless higher classification has been obtained from a Classification Society recognised by World Sailing. World Sailing will publish a list of waived plan review certificates.

Mo0,1,2 b) 24 m (78'-9") LH and greater shall be designed, built and maintained in accordance with the requirements of a Classification Society recognized by World Sailing

Mo0,1,2 c) have a Builder's Declaration signed and dated by the builder to confirm the boat is built in accordance with the reviewed plans. In cases when a builder no longer exists, a race organizer or class rules may accept a signed statement by a naval architect or other person familiar with the requirements of above in lieu of the Builder’s Declaration, and

Mo0,1,2 d) have an additional World Sailing/ISAF certificate of building plan review in accordance with a) or b) and c) above for any significant repair of modification to the hull, deck, coachroof, keel or appendages.

MoMu0,1,2 3.03.2 A monohull with Primary Launch between 1987 and 2010, and all multihulls, shall have been designed, built, maintained, modified or repaired in accordance
with the requirements of:

- a) OSR 3.03.1, or
- b) the ABS Guide for Building and Classing Offshore Yachts and have on board either an ABS certificate of plan approval, or written statements signed by the designer and builder confirming that they have respectively designed and built the boat in accordance with the ABS Guide, or
- c) the EC Recreational Craft Directive for Category A having obtained the CE mark, or
- d) ISO 12215 Category A, with written statements signed by the designer and builder confirming that they have respectively designed and built the boat in accordance with the ISO standard, and
- e) have written statements or approvals in accordance with a), b) or c) and d) above for all significant repairs or modifications to the hull, deck, coach roof, keel or appendages, on board, except
- f) that a race organizer or class rules may accept, when that described in a), b), c), d) or e) above is not available, the signed statement by a naval architect or other person familiar with the standards listed above that the boat fulfils these requirements

3.04 Stability - Monohulls

- a) Able to demonstrate compliance with ISO 12217-2* design category A or higher, either by EC Recreational Craft Directive certification having obtained the CE mark or the designer’s declaration.

* The latest effective version of ISO 12217-2 should be used unless the boat was already designed to a previous version

- b) Where compliance in accordance with 3.04.1 cannot be demonstrated, able to demonstrate either:
  - i a STIX value not less than 32; and
  - ii AVS not less than 130 - 0.002*m, but always >= 100°, (where “m” is the mass of the boat in the minimum operating condition as defined by ISO 12217-2); and
  - iii a minimum righting energy m*AGZ>172000 (where AGZ is the positive area under the righting lever curve in the minimum operating condition, expressed in kg metre degrees from upright to AVS); or

Extract Mo2

- b) Stability Index in ORC Rating System of not less than 110; or
- c) IRC SSS Base value of not less than 28

3.06 Exits - Monohulls

- a) At least two exits if 8.5 m (28’) LH and greater and with a Primary Launch after 1994. One exit shall be located forward of the foremost mast except where structural features prevent its installation

- b) The following minimum clear hatch openings if First Launch after 2013:
  - a) a circular hatch with diameter 450 mm (18”); or
  - b) any other shape with minimum dimension of 380 mm (15”) and minimum area of 0.18 m² (1.9 ft²) (see figure 1)

**Figure 1 - Measurements of Minimum Clear Opening**

3.08 Hatches & Companionways

- ** 3.08.1 Hatch covers forward of the maximum beam station shall not open toward the interior of the boat, except hatches in the side of a coachroof or ports having an area of less than 0.071 m² (110 in²)

- ** 3.08.2 A hatch, including a hatch over a locker shall be:

- ** 3.08.2 a) permanently attached and capable of being firmly shut immediately and remaining firmly shut in a 180° capsize
Mo0,1,2,3,4  b) above the water when the boat is heeled 90°

Mo0,1,2,3,4  A boat may have a maximum of two hatches on each side of centerline that do not conform to the requirement in b), provided that the opening of each is less than 0.071² m (110 in²)

3.08.3  Hatches not conforming with 3.08.1 and 3.08.2 shall be clearly labelled and used in accordance with the following instruction “NOT TO BE OPENED AT SEA”

**  3.08.4  Companionway hatches:
**  a) fitted with a strong securing arrangement which shall be operable from the exterior and interior even when the boat is inverted
**  b) blocking devices:
**  i  capable of being retained in position with the hatch open or shut
**  ii  secured to the boat (e.g. by lanyard) for the duration of the race
**  iii  permit exit in the event of inversion

Mo0,1,2,3,4  3.08.5  a) a monohull with Open Cockpit(s):
Mo0,1,2,3,4  3.08.5  b) a companionway sill that does not extend below the local sheerline; or
Mo0,1,2,3,4  3.08.6  a) a companionway in full compliance with ISO 11812 category A
Mo0,1,2,3,4  b) if a monohull with Contained Cockpit(s) where the companionway extends below the local sheerline, panels capable of blocking the companionway up to the level of the local sheerline whilst giving access to the interior.

3.09  Cockpits

**  3.09.1  Cockpits that self-drain quickly by gravity at all angles of heel and are permanently incorporated as an integral part of the boat
**  3.09.2  A cockpit sole at least 2% LWL above the waterline (or in IMS boats with First Launch before 2003, at least 2% L above the waterline)
**  3.09.3  A bow, lateral, central or stern well is a cockpit for the purposes of OSR 3.09
**  3.09.4  Cockpit Volume
**  b) primary launch after March 1992 as above for the appropriate category except that "lowest coamings" shall not include any aft of the FA station and no extension of a cockpit aft of the working deck shall be included in calculation of cockpit volume

3.09.5  Cockpit Drains

**  Cockpit drain cross section area of unobstructed openings (after allowance for screens if fitted) shall be at least that of:
**  a) 2 x 25 mm (1") diameter or equivalent for a boat less than 8.5 m (28') LH
**  b) 4 x 20 mm (3/4") diameter or equivalent for a boat 8.5 m (28') LH or greater

3.10  Sea Cocks or Valves

**  3.10 Permanently installed sea cocks or valves on all through-hull openings below the waterline except for integral deck scuppers and instrument through-hulls

3.11  Sheet Winches

**  3.11 Sheet winches mounted in such a way that an operator is not required to be substantially below deck

3.12  Mast Step

**  3.12 The heel of a keel stepped mast securely fastened to the mast step or adjoining structure

3.14  Pulpits, Stanchions, Lifelines

**  3.14.1  The perimeter of the deck surrounded by system of lifelines and pulpits as follows:
**  a) Continuous lifelines fixed only at (or near) the bow and stern. However a gate on each side of a boat is permitted. Except at its end fittings and at gates, the movement of a lifeline in a fore-and-aft direction shall not be constrained. Temporary sleeving shall not modify tension in the lifeline.
**  b) Minimum heights of lifelines and pulpit rails above the working deck and vertical openings:
**  i  upper: 600 mm (24")
**  ii  intermediate: 230 mm (9")
**  iii  vertical opening: no greater than 380 mm (15") except that on a boat with a
Primary Launch before 1993 where it shall be no greater than 560 mm (22"")

** c) Lifelines permanently supported at intervals of not more than 2.2 m (7'-2 1/2"") and shall not pass outboard of supporting stanchions

** d) Pulpit and stanchion bases permanently installed with pulpits and stanchions mechanically retained in their bases

** e) The outside of pulpits and stanchion base tubes no further inboard from the edge of the working deck than 5% of maximum beam or 150 mm (6"), whichever is greater, nor further outboard than the edge of the working deck

** f) Stanchions straight and vertical except that:

** i) within the first 50 mm (2") from the deck, stanchions shall not be displaced horizontally from the point at which they emerge from the deck or stanchion base by more than 10 mm (3/8")

** ii) stanchions may be angled to not more than 10° from vertical at any point above 50 mm (2") from the deck

** g) A bow pulpit may be open provided the opening between the pulpit and any part of the boat does not exceed 360 mm (14")

** h) Lifelines may terminate at or pass through adequately braced stanchions set inside and overlapping the bow pulpit

** i) When a deflecting force of 4 kg (8.8 #) is applied to a lifeline at the mid-point of the longest span between supports that are aft of the mast, the deflection shall not exceed:

** i) 50 mm (2") for an upper or single lifeline

** ii) 120 mm (4 ¾") for an intermediate lifeline

3.14.3 Spare number
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3.14.5 Spare number

3.14.6 Lifeline Specifications

Mo0,1,2,3
3.14.6 Lifelines of stranded stainless steel wire

a) 3.14.6 The minimum diameter is specified in table 8 below

b) 3.14.6 Stainless steel lifelines shall be uncoated and used without close-fitting sleeving, however, temporary sleeving may be fitted provided it is regularly removed for inspection.

c) 3.14.6 A lanyard of synthetic rope may be used to secure lifelines provided the gap it closes does not exceed 100 mm (4"). This lanyard shall be replaced annually

d) 3.14.6 All components of the lifeline enclosure system shall have a breaking strength

e) no less than the lifeline

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**3.17 Toe Rail or Foot - Stop**

Mo0,1,2,3 3.17.1 Permanently installed toe rail of minimum height 25 mm (1”), located as close as practicable to the stanchion bases, around the foredeck from abreast the mast.

Mo0,1,2,3 3.17.2 An additional lifeline of between 25-50 mm (1-2”) high is permitted in lieu of a toe rail on a boat with Primary Launch before 1984.

**3.18 Toilet**

MoMu0,1,2 3.18.1 Permanently installed toilet

**3.19 Bunks**

MoMu1,2,3,4 3.19.2 Permanently installed bunks

**3.20 Cooking Facilities**

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.20 Permanently installed cooking stove, capable of being operated safely at sea, with fuel shutoff control.

**3.21 Drinking Water Tanks & Drinking Water**

MoMu2,3 3.21.1 Permanently installed delivery pump and water tank(s)

a) **3.21.3 Emergency Drinking Water**

MoMu1,2,3 3.21.3 At least 9 l (2.4 US Gal) of drinking water for emergency use in a dedicated and sealed container or container(s)

a) **3.22 Hand Holds**

**3.23 Bilge Pumps and Buckets**

**3.23.1 two strong buckets, each with a lanyard and at least 9 l (2.4 US Gal) capacity**

a) Mo0,1,2 3.23.1 two permanently installed manual bilge pumps, one operable from above, the other from below deck

b) **3.23.2 All required permanently installed bilge pumps shall be operable with all cockpit seats, hatches and companionways shut and with permanently installed discharge pipe(s) of sufficient capacity**

**3.23.3 Bilge pumps shall not be connected to cockpit drains and shall not discharge into a Closed Cockpit**

**3.23.4 Bilge pumps shall be readily accessible for maintenance and for clearing out debris**

**3.23.5 All removable bilge pump handles retained by a lanyard**

**3.24 Compass**

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.24 a) Marine magnetic compass capable of being used as a steering compass:

MoMu0,1,2,3,4 3.24 b) Permanently installed marine magnetic steering compass, independent of any power supply, correctly adjusted with deviation card

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.24 c) a second compass which may be hand-held and/or electronic

**3.25 Halyards.**

**3.25 a) A minimum of two halyards, each capable of hoisting a sail, on each mast**

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.25 b) No halyard shall be locked, lashed or otherwise secured to the mast in a way that requires a person to go aloft in order to lower a sail in a controlled manner, except for a headsail in use with a furling device.

**3.27 Navigation Lights**

3.27.1 that conform to the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (Part C and Technical Annex I) and shall be exhibited as required by those regulations.

**3.27.2 mounted above sheerline and so that they will not be masked by sails or the heeling of the boat**

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.27.3 reserve lights having the same specifications as above, and that can be powered independently

**3.27.4 spare bulbs (not required for LED)**
3.28 ** Engines, Generators, Fuel

** 3.28.1 Propulsion Engines

a) engines and associated systems installed in accordance with their manufacturers’ guidelines and suitable for the size and intended use of the boat

b) an engine which provides a minimum speed in knots of \((1.8 \times \sqrt{\text{LWL in metres}})\) or \((\sqrt{\text{LWL in feet}})\)

c) an inboard engine

** 3.28.1 an inboard combustion engine shall have a permanently installed exhaust, cooling system, fuel supply, fuel tank(s) and shall have adequate heavy weather protection

d) an inboard electrical engine, when fitted, shall be provided with a permanently installed power supply, adequate heavy weather protection and have an engine control system.

** 3.28.2 Generator

If an optional generator separate from the propulsion engine is carried, it shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's guidelines

** 3.28.3 Liquid Fuel Systems

a) All fuel tanks for storage of liquid fuels shall be rigid (but may have permanently installed flexible linings) and shall have a shutoff valve

b) At the start a boat with a combustion engine shall carry sufficient fuel to meet charging requirements for the duration of the race and to motor at the above minimum speed for at least 5 hours

** 3.28.4 Battery Systems

a) a dedicated engine/generator starting battery when an electric starter is the only method for starting the engine and/or separate generator

b) batteries installed after 2011 shall be of the sealed type from which liquid electrolyte cannot escape

** 3.28.4 At the start a boat with an electric engine shall carry sufficient capacity to meet electrical requirements for the duration of the race and to motor at the above minimum speed for at least 5 hours

** 3.29 Communications Equipment, GPS, Radar, AIS

a) a marine radio transceiver with an emergency antenna when the regular antenna depends upon the mast

b) if the marine radio transceiver is a VHF:

b) a minimum rated output power of 25 W

c) a masthead antenna not less than 38 cm (15”) in length and co-axial feeder cable with not more than 40% power loss

d) be DSC capable if installed after 2015

d) DSC capable VHF transceivers shall be programmed with an assigned MMSI (unique to the boat), be connected to a GPS receiver and be capable of making distress alert calls as well as sending and receiving a DSC position report with another DSC equipped station

MoMu1,2,3,4 3.29.5 a hand-held marine VHF transceiver, watertight or with a waterproof cover. When not in use to be stowed in a grab bag or emergency container (see OSR 4.21)

** 3.29.6 a second radio receiver, which may be the handheld VHF in 3.29.5 above, capable of receiving weather bulletins

Mo0,1,2,3,4,5 3.29.13 an AIS Transponder which either:

a) shares the masthead VHF antenna via a low loss AIS antenna splitter; or

b) has a dedicated AIS antenna not less than 38 cm (15”) in length mounted with its base not less than 3 m (10’) above the Waterline and co-axial feeder cable with not more than 40% power loss

3.29.13 an AIS Transponder which either:

SECTION 4 - PORTABLE EQUIPMENT

A boat shall have:
4.01 Sail Letters & Numbers

4.01.1 Identification on sails which complies with RRS 77 and RRS Appendix G

4.01.2 An alternative means of displaying identification as required under RRS Appendix G for a mainsail, to be displayed when none of the numbered sails are set.

4.02 Search and Rescue Visibility

4.03 Soft Wood Plugs

4.04 Jackstays and Clipping Points

4.04.1 Permanently Installed fittings for jackstay ends and clipping points

4.04.2 Jackstays which shall:
   a) enable a crewmember to move readily between the working areas on deck and the cockpit(s) with the minimum of clipping and unclipping operations
   b) have a breaking strength of 2040 kg (4500#) and be uncoated and non-sleeved stainless steel 1 x 19 wire of minimum diameter 5 mm (3/16”), webbing or HMPE rope

4.04.3 Clipping points which shall:
   a) enable a crewmember to clip on before coming on deck and unclip after going below
   b) enable two-thirds of the crew to be simultaneously clipped on without depending on jackstays

4.05 Fire Fighting Equipment

4.05.1 A fire blanket adjacent to every cooking device with an open flame

4.05.2 2 fire extinguishers, each with 2 kg of dry powder or equivalent, in different parts of the boat

4.06 Anchors

4.06.2 2 un-modified anchors that meet the anchor manufacturer’s recommendation based on the boat’s dimensions with suitable combination of chain and rope, ready for immediate assembly, and ready for deployment within 5 minutes except that for a boat less than 8.5 m (28’) LH there shall be 1 anchor meeting the same criteria.

4.07 Flashlights and Searchlights

4.07.1 Watertight lights with spare batteries and bulbs as follows:

4.07.1.1 a searchlight, suitable for searching for a person overboard at night and for collision avoidance

4.07.1.2 a flashlight in addition to 4.07 a)

4.08 First Aid Manual and First Aid Kit

4.08 A First Aid Manual and First Aid Kit. The contents and storage of the First Aid Kit shall reflect the likely conditions and duration of the passage, and the number of crew

4.09 Foghorn

4.10 Radar Reflector

4.10.1 A passive radar reflector with:

4.10.1.1 octahedral circular plates of minimum diameter 30 cm (12”), or
   a) octahedral rectangular plates of minimum diagonal dimension 40 cm (16”), or
   b) a non-octahedral reflector with a documented Root Mean Square minimum Radar Cross Section (RCS) area of 2 m² (22 ft²) from 0-360° of azimuth and ±20° of heel

4.11 Navigation Equipment

4.11 Navigational charts (not solely electronic), light list and chart plotting equipment

4.12 Safety Equipment Location Chart
4.12 A safety equipment location diagram in durable waterproof material, clearly displayed in the main accommodation, marked with the location of principal items of safety equipment

** 4.13 Depth, Speed and Distance Instruments

MoMu0,1,2,3 4.13.1 A knotmeter or distance measuring instrument (log)
MoMu1,2,3,4 4.13.2 A depth sounder

4.14 Spare Number

4.15 Emergency Steering

MoMu0,1,2,3 4.15.1 An emergency tiller capable of being fitted to the rudder stock except when
MoMu0,1,2,3 4.15.1 the principal method of steering is by means of an unbreakable metal tiller
a)
MoMu0,1,2,3 4.15.1 there are two methods (e.g. tillers, wheels) of controlling a rudder, neither of
b) which shares components with the other except for the rudder stock.
MoMu0,1,2,3 4.15.2 A proven method of emergency steering with the rudder disabled

4.16 Tools and Spare Parts
** 4.16.1 Tools and spare parts, suitable for the duration and nature of the passage
** 4.16.2 An effective means to quickly disconnect or sever the standing rigging from the boat

4.17 Boat’s name
** 4.17 The boat’s name on miscellaneous buoyant equipment, such as lifejackets, cushions, lifebuoys, recovery slings, grab bags etc.

4.18 Retro-reflective material
** 4.18 Marine grade retro-reflective material on lifebuoys, recovery slings, liferafts and lifejackets

4.19 EPIRBs
MoMu1,2 4.19.1 A water and manually activated 406 MHz EPIRB
MoMu0,1,2 4.19.2 A 406 MHz EPIRB registered after 2015 shall include an internal GPS
MoMu0,1,2 4.19.3 All EPIRBs registered with the appropriate authority associated with the country code in the hexadecimal identification (15 Hex ID) of the beacon. A beacon can be registered online with the Cospas-Sarsat IBRD if the country does not provide a registration facility and the country has allowed direct registration in the IBRD

4.20 Liferafts
4.20.1 Liferaft Construction

MoMu1,2 4.20.1 One or more inflatable liferafts with a total capacity to accommodate at least the total number of people on board which complies with:
MoMu1,2 4.20.1 a) SOLAS LSA Code 1997 Chapter IV or later version; or
MoMu1,2 4.20.1 a) i ISO 9650-1:2005, Type 1, Group A - Small Craft - Inflatable; or
MoMu1,2 4.20.1 a) ii ISAF liferafts manufactured before 2016 until replacement is due at end of service life; or
MoMu1,2 4.20.1 a) iii ORC liferafts manufactured before 2003 until replacement is due at end of service life
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.2 Minimum Liferaft Equipment
4.20.2 A SOLAS liferaft shall contain as a minimum a SOLAS A pack;
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.2 a)
MuMo2 4.20.2 An ISO 9650 liferaft shall contain as a minimum Pack 2 (less than 24 hour pack);
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 c)
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 d) The minimum contents of the ISO liferaft equipment packs are listed below. Not all items are necessarily packed within the liferaft. Some items are permitted to be carried within an accompanying waterproof grab bag which shall be in a readily accessible location:

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<tr>
<th>Equipment</th>
<th>Pack 1</th>
<th>Pack 2</th>
<th>In liferaft</th>
<th>In liferaft or in grab bag</th>
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<td>Portable buoyant baler easily operable by hand</td>
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<td>Sponge</td>
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<td>Pair of buoyant paddles with handles (not mitts) tied into raft adjacent to an entrance</td>
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<td>First-Aid Kit including at least 2 tubes of sunscreen. All dressings must be capable of being effectively used in wet conditions. The first aid kit shall be clearly marked and shall be re-sealable.</td>
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<td>Whistle</td>
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<td>Waterproof torch with 6 h duration and separate battery and bulb or complementary torch</td>
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<td>Signalling mirror</td>
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<td>Anti-seasickness pills, per person</td>
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<td>Seasickness bag with simple effective closure system, per person</td>
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<td>Red hand flares in accordance with SOLAS LSA Code Chapter III, 3.2</td>
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<td>Red parachute flares in accordance with SOLAS LSA Code Chapter III, 3.1</td>
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<td>Thermal protective aids in accordance with SOLAS LSA Code Chapter III, 2.5</td>
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<td>Repair outfit to enable survivors to repair leaks in any or all of the inflatable compartments. Repair systems must work when wet and be capable of being applied during violent motion.</td>
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<td>Air pump or bellows which shall be simple, robust and complete, with all necessary connections (loose parts shall be captive to the main apparatus) ready for instant use to enable air to be pumped into any or all of the inflatable compartments. The air pump or bellows shall be designed and built specifically for easy operation by hand</td>
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<td>Drinking water per person, in containers of each not more than 500mL</td>
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<td>Food per person</td>
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* Drinking water in the grab bag (if any) may be replaced with a desalinator device.

MoMu1,2 4.20.2 Portable buoyant bailer easily operable by hand
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 2 sponges
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 Pair of buoyant paddles with handles (not mitts) tied into raft adjacent to an entrance
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 Whistle
MoMu2 4.20.2 Waterproof torch with 6 h duration and
MoMu2 4.20.2 Spare waterproof torch or spare battery and bulb
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 Signalling mirror
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 6 anti-seasickness pills per person *
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 Seasickness bag per person, each with a simple, effective, closure system *
MoMu2 4.20.2 3 hand flares in accordance with SOLAS LSA Code Chapter III, 3.2.
MoMu1,2 4.20.2 2 red parachute flares in accordance with SOLAS LSA Code Chapter III, 3.1.
d) **xi** may be stowed in the grab bag.

d) **xii** Kit to repair leaks in most inflatable compartments, operable in wet conditions and during violent motion

d) **xiii** Hand operable air pump, capable of and ready for immediate use to inflate most compartments. Loose parts captive to the pump.

* may be packed in grab bag instead of liferaft

**4.20.3 Liferaft Packing and Stowage**

**4.20.3** Each liferaft shall be packed either in:-

- a rigid container securely stowed on the working deck, in the cockpit or in an open space; or:-
- a rigid container or valise securely stowed in a dedicated weather tight locker containing liferaft and abandon ship equipment only which is readily accessible and opens onto the cockpit or working deck, or transom
- In a boat with primary launch before June 2001, a liferaft may be packed in a valise not exceeding 40 kg securely stowed below deck adjacent to a companionway
- On a multihull or on a monohull with moveable ballast the liferaft shall be readily deployable whether or not the boat is inverted
- The end of each liferaft painter should be securely fastened to the boat
- Each raft shall be capable of being got to the lifelines or launched within 15 seconds

**4.20.4 Spare Number**

**4.20.5 Liferaft Servicing**

**4.20.5** A liferaft shall be serviced at a manufacturer authorized service station at the following maximum intervals:

- SOLAS liferafts annually
- ISO 9650 canister packed liferafts every 3 years
- ISO 9650 valise packed liferafts every 3 years except that hired liferafts shall be serviced annually
- ISAF liferafts annually
- ORC liferafts annually
- Servicing certificates (original or a copy) on board

**4.21 Grab Bags**

**4.21** If a grab bag is provided it shall have inherent flotation, at least 0.1 m² (1 ft²) area of fluorescent orange colour on the outside, shall be marked with the name of the boat, and shall have a lanyard and clip

**4.22 Crew Overboard Identification and Recovery**

**4.22.1 Locator Beacons**

**4.22.1** An AIS personal crew overboard beacon for each crew member

**4.22.1d)** Where possible every PLB shall be registered with the appropriate authority associated with the country code in the hexadecimal identification (15 Hex ID) of the beacon. A beacon can be registered online with the Cospas-Sarsat IBRD if the country does not provide a registration facility and the country has allowed direct registration in the IBRD.

**4.22.2 GPS Crew Overboard Position**

**4.22.2** A GPS capable of recording a crew overboard position, within 10 seconds, and monitoring that position

**4.22.3** A lifebuoy with a self-igniting light, a whistle and a drogue

**4.22.4** In addition to 4.22.3 above, within reach of the helmsman and ready for immediate use, a second lifebuoy equipped with:

- a whistle, a drogue, a self-igniting light and
a pole and flag. The pole shall be either permanently extended or be capable of being fully automatically extended

At least one lifebuoy shall depend entirely on permanent buoyancy (e.g. foam)

Each inflatable lifebuoy and any automatic device shall be tested and serviced at intervals in accordance with its manufacturer’s instructions

A heaving line, no less than 6 mm (1/4") diameter, 15 - 25 m (50 - 75’) long, readily accessible to cockpit

A recovery sling which includes a:

buoyant line of length no less than the shorter of 4 times LH or 36m (120’)

buoyancy section (horseshoe) with no less than 90 N (20#) buoyancy

minimum strength capable to hoist a crewmember aboard

Pyrotechnic and Light Signals

Pyrotechnic signals shall be provided conforming to SOLAS LSA Code Chapter III Visual Signals and not older than the stamped expiry date (if any) or if no expiry date stamped, not older than 4 years.

Race Category | Red Hand Flares LSA III 3.2 | Orange Smoke Flares LSA III 3.3
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MoMu0,1,2,3 | 4 | 2
MoMu4 | 2 | 2

Spare Number

A strong, sharp knife, sheathed and securely restrained shall be provided readily accessible from the deck or a cockpit.

Storm & Heavy Weather Sails

Design

Figure 3
The material of the body of a storm sail purchased after 2013 shall have a highly-visible colour (e.g. dayglo pink, orange or yellow).

Aromatic polyamides, carbon and similar fibres shall not be used in a trysail or storm jib but HMPE and similar materials are permitted.

Sheeting positions on deck for each storm and heavy-weather sail are required.

Sheeting positions for the trysail independent of the boom are required.

The maximum area of storm and heavy weather sails shall be lesser of the areas below or as specified by the boat designer or sailmaker.

A heavy-weather jib (or heavy-weather sail in a boat with no forestay) with:
- area of 13.5% height of the foretriangle ($IG$) squared
- readily available means, independent of a luff groove, to attach to the stay

A storm jib with:
- area of 5% height of the foretriangle ($IG$) squared
- maximum luff length 65% of $IG$
- permanently attached means, independent of a luff groove, to attach to the stay
- For sails made after 2011: Storm and heavy weather jib areas calculated as:
  \[(0.255 \times \text{luff length} \times (\text{luff perpendicular} + 2 \times \text{half width}))\]

A storm trysail with:
- area not greater than 17.5% mainsail hoist ($P$) x mainsail foot length ($E$)
- For sails made after 2011: The storm trysail are calculated as:
  \[(0.5 \times \text{leech length} \times \text{shortest distance between tack point and leech})\]
- no headboard
- no battens
- sail number and letters on both sides, as large as practicable
- in the case of a boat with an in-mast furling mainsail, the storm trysail shall be capable of being set while the mainsail is furled

Either a storm trysail as defined in OSR 4.26.2 d), or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 50% (or rotating wing mast if suitable)

Either fixed or portable pump to remove ingress water from any compartment.
- have a minimum rated capacity of 200 l/min
- be operated by battery, main engine powered or a separate engine
- if portable electric-powered, power cables to be terminated with alligator clips
- have sufficient hose to discharge directly overboard or into the cockpit.
4.30.1 A combination of permanently installed and portable pumps may be combined to meet the above requirement.

**SECTION 5 - PERSONAL EQUIPMENT**

** 5.01 Lifejacket

** 5.01.1 A lifejacket which shall:
** 5.01.1 if manufactured before 2012 comply with ISO 12402-3 (Level 150) or equivalent, including EN 396 or UL 1180 and:
** 5.01.1 if inflatable have a gas inflation system

** 5.01.1 have crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS))

MoMu0,1,2 5.01.1 have an integral safety harness in compliance with OSR 5.02

** 5.01.1 if manufactured after 2011 comply with ISO 12402-3 (Level 150) and be fitted with a whistle, lifting loop, reflective material automatic/manual gas inflation system

** 5.01.1 crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS))

MoMu0,1,2 5.01.1 an integral safety harness in compliance with OSR 5.02

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.1 have an emergency position indicating light in accordance with either ISO 12402-8 or SOLAS LSA code 2.2.3

** 5.01.1 be clearly marked with the boat’s or wearer’s name

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.1 have a sprayhood in accordance with ISO 12402-8

** 5.01.1 if inflatable, regularly checked for air retention

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.2 A boat shall carry at least one gas inflatable lifejacket spare cylinder and, if appropriate, spare activation head for each type of lifejacket on board.

MoMu0,1,2 5.01.3 A boat shall carry at least one spare lifejacket as required in OSR 5.01.1, (a spare PLB described in 5.01.1(e) is not required)

** 5.01.4 The person in charge shall personally check each lifejacket at least once annually.

** 5.02 Safety Harness and Tethers

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.1 A harness that complies with ISO 12401 or equivalent

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 A tether that shall:

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 comply with ISO 12401 or equivalent

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 not exceed 2 m (6’-6”) including the length of the hooks

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 have self-closing hooks

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 have overload indicator flag embedded in the stitching

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 be manufactured after 2000

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.3 All of the crew shall have either:

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.3 a) a tether not exceeding 1m(3’3”) including the length of the hooks, or

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.3 b) an intermediate self-closing hook on a 2 m (6’-6”) tether

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.5 A tether which has been overloaded shall be replaced

** 5.07 Survival Equipment

5.08 Diving Equipment

**SECTION 6 - TRAINING**

MoMu0,1,2 6.01.2 At least 30% but not fewer than two members of a crew, including the Person in Charge shall have undertaken training within the five years before the start of the race in OSR 6.02 Training Topics
6.01.4 Except as otherwise provided in the Notice of Race, an in-date certificate gained at a World Sailing / ISAF Approved Offshore Personal Survival Training course shall be accepted by a race organizing authority as evidence of compliance with Special Regulation 6.01. See Appendix G - Model Training Course, for further details.

6.02 Training Topics
6.02.1 Giving Assistance to Other Craft
6.02.2 Personal Safety Gear, theory and practice
6.02.3 Care and Maintenance of Safety Gear
6.02.4 Fire Precautions and Firefighting, theory and practical
6.02.5 Crew Overboard Identification and Recovery
6.02.6 Hypothermia, Cold Shock and Drowning
6.02.7 Crew Health
6.02.8 Marine Weather
6.02.9 Heavy Weather
6.02.10 Storm Sails
6.02.11 Damage Control
6.02.12 Search and Rescue Organization
6.02.13 Pyrotechnics and Signalling Gear, theory and practical
6.02.14 Emergency Communications, theory and practical
6.02.15 Liferafts and Abandon Ship, theory and practical
6.03 Spare Number

6.04 Routine Training On-Board
6.04 a) Crew-Overboard Recovery
6.04 b) Abandonment of vessel

6.05 Medical Training
6.05.2 At least one crewmember shall have a valid first aid certificate completed within the last five years meeting:
6.05.2 a) A certificate listed on the World Sailing website www.sailing.org/specialregs of MNA recognised courses
6.05.2 b) STCW First Aid Training complying with A-VI/1-3 - Elementary First Aid or higher STCW level

6.06 Diving Training

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