



# 36<sup>th</sup> Mini Fastnet

## **DOUARNENEZ – FASTNET LIGHTHOUSE – DOUARNENEZ Mini 6.50**

**From Tuesday 7th to Saturday 18th June 2022**

### **RACE NOTICE**

#### **1 ORGANIZATION**

The “Mini Fastnet” will take place from the **7<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> of June 2022** and is organized by the **Winches Club** in association with the **Mini Class**, and with the support of the **Douarnenez Council** and the **Finistère Regional Council** under the auspices of the **French Sailing Association (FFVoile)**.

#### **2 RULES**

The race will be governed by:

- The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (World Sailing) 2021-2024)
- The set of rules of the French Sailing Federation (FFVoile), applying to foreign competitors and defined in the attached Annex “*Prescriptions of the French Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 / 2020-2024*”
- The Offshore Sailing Regulations 2022-2023 – **category 2** race.
- The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS)
- The 2022 Mini Class rules (see the 2022 Mini Guide).

**If there is a conflict between languages, the French text will take precedence.**

#### **3 ADVERTISING**

Advertising will be only allowed under the condition that the sailing boats carrying individual advertising during the race are in the possession of a valid 2022 card issued by the French Sailing Federation (FFVoile) or the Sport Authority of their own country.

In accordance with the article 20.3 (d) (i) of the Advertising Code (World Sailing) and article R-18 of the Mini Guide, each boat may be required to display the advertising supplied by the Race Authority during registration. The setting up and maintenance of the advertising will be under the responsibility of the crew who will have to replace it if necessary.

#### **4 ADMISSION**

- 4.1 The **Mini Fastnet** race is opened to all boats complying with the 2022 Mini Class Rules. This race is classified as a **B Level Race** by the Mini Class.
- 4.2 The Skipper and his/her crew in this double-handed race, who have been permitted to take part in the race by the organiser and sport and maritime authorities (Cf. Class Mini Rules article R-2).
- 4.3 All competitors must hold a valid and signed license from the FFVoile or a valid certificate from the Sport Authority of their country (+ health certificate).
- 4.4 **At least one member of the crew must possess a valid first aid certificate** (see article R-11 of the Mini Guide 2022, and article 6.05.2 of the OSR 2022-2023).
- 4.5 **The Survival course (World Sailing) is compulsory for both members of the crew.**

***Info: For races related to the RSO 2 category, the results of a stress test and cardiac ultrasound are optional but recommended.***

- 4.6 The Race Committee reserves the right to accept or refuse an entry (R.76 of the RCV 2021-2024).

## 5 **REGISTRATION**

- 5.1 Initial registrations are possible upon publication of the present race notice (see § 5.4) The registration date is fixed on **11 February 2022**. All registrations received beforehand will be registered on that date and will be processed according to order of preferences (article R-9 of the Mini Class Rules). After February 11th registrations will be processed in the order they are received. Beyond the first 84 registrations, competitors will be placed on a waiting list. The 8 competitors ranked 85 to 92 will be classified as « short listed » (see § 5.6, § 5.8, and § 5.10).
- 5.2 Entries will be restricted to 84 boats.  
However, the organization has the right to:
  - accommodate additional boats participating in the race;
  - refuse registrations;
  - stop the transfer of competitors on the waiting list
- 5.3 The registration fee is €485 (including a non-refundable application fee of €20, including for those on the waiting list).
- 5.4 Initial registrations and payment of the application fee (€20) are done online by **clicking on this link**.
- 5.5 In the event payment cannot be performed online with a credit card, a request for exemption – providing proof – and for payment by bank transfer must be sent by email to **courses@winchesclub.org**.
- 5.6 **The full balance (€465) is due between March 15<sup>th</sup> and April 18<sup>th</sup> and must be done online from a link that will be sent via e-mail. The e-mail will be sent to the 84 eligible competitors as defined in § 5.1 as well as the 8 short-listed competitors. Eligible or short-listed competitors that have not paid the full balance by April 18th will be switched to the end of the waiting list.**
- 5.7 Registration forms must be received by **Monday 18 April 2022**. After this date, the organization has the right to refuse entries.

- 5.8 Starting on Monday 25th April and depending on the number of confirmed registrations, the organizer will be able to offer competitors in the waiting list to move to the « short list. » These competitors will have one week – upon receipt of the notification e-mail to move to the « short list » - to confirm their registration by online payment of the full balance (€465). Competitors on the « short list » that have not paid the full balance within a week will be switched to the end of the waiting list.
- 5.9 All remaining administration documents necessary for the registration (Article R-12 of the 2022 Mini Class Rules) must be sent to the Mini Class.
- 5.10 **Cancellations and reimbursements: If a competitor withdraws his/her entry to a race less than one month before the start of the race for reasons other than absolutely necessary, they he/she will lose 100% of the entry fees. (R-14 of the 2022 Mini Class Rules).** Requests for reimbursement for cases of force majeure must be sent with supporting documents to [courses@winchesclub.org](mailto:courses@winchesclub.org). These requests will be examined by an internal commission at the Winches Club the day after the start of the race. The 20€ applications fees will not be refunded. **Any competitors still on the short list on the day of departure and therefore unable to participate will be reimbursed 465 euros.**
- 5.11 The registration is final as soon as:
- the complete registration form is received
  - the full payment of the registration fee is received
  - and the skipper has received agreement from the Race Committee, the Gauge Committee, the Mini Class and from the organizer of the race in general.

It is the skipper's responsibility to track the progress of his registration and to contact the organization if necessary.

## 6 **CHANGING CREW MEMBERS**

All changes in the crew members **less than three days before the start of the race** will be submitted for agreement to the Race Committee.

## 7 **LIFTING RESTRICTIONS**

Cost of lifting and masting/demasting using the port services are the skipper's responsibility. The rate is fixed at 22€ per half hour of handling; lifting will take place at low tide. The cost of each lifting is to be paid at the Harbour Office before presenting oneself at the crane. (There is no lifting on Sunday). **Please contact the Tréboul Harbour Office in advance:**  
tel 0033 (0)2 98 60 26 30 - email [port.de.plaisance@mairie-douarnenez.fr](mailto:port.de.plaisance@mairie-douarnenez.fr).  
Lifting for fairing will not be allowed during the pre-race arrival. Any lifting during this period will be subject to authorisation by the President of the Race Committee and/or the Race Director.

## 8 **MEASUREMENT (GAUGE)**

Boats must comply with the 2022 Mini Rules.  
A measurement session may be organized in Douarnenez before the race. Please take contact with the Classe Mini.

## 9 **SECURITY CHECKS**

Boats fittings out must follow the Class Mini requirements at the starting date (see special rules for events of the 2021 Mini Guide). Please use the timetable available on the race website to book a meeting.

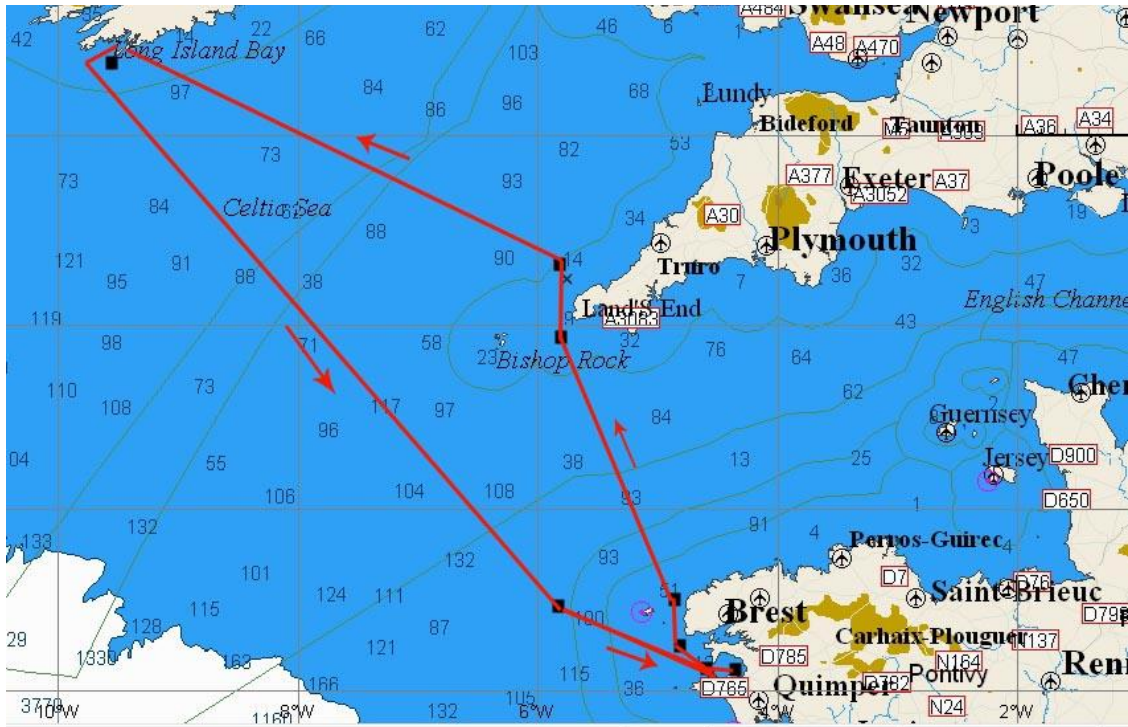
10 **TRACKING DEVICES**

Skippers commit to personally returning the tracking device which has been given to them by the club for the race, in working condition.

In case of loss or breakage, the skipper must reimburse the unit cost of the device to the Winches Club (720€). In case of lateness returning the device, 12€/day as well as postal costs will be invoiced to the skipper.

11 **RACE**

**Douarnenez – Chenal du Four – Wolf Rock – bypass via the north of the DST East of the Scillies– Stags buoy - Fastnet lighthouse – Douarnenez**



(Non contractual document)

Alternative courses are possible ; especially a South course towards the Gironde estuary (towards the former BXA marker, now a virtual 'aton' AIS BXA, in case of bad weather in the Celtic sea, see map below).

The markers of the selected course will be defined in the "Appendix – Course" distributed with the Race Instructions after confirmation of the registration.



(non contractual document)

Please note : former BX A marker – is now a virtual AIS 'aton' BX A

## 12 NAUTICAL DOCUMENTS AND MAPS

Skippers will have to show the following documents and charts at the security check before the start of the race (see 2022 Mini Guide – B level race). French/foreign equivalents are accepted if adapted to shore / offshore navigation. Due to the possibility of an alternative South course that can be decided by the Race Director, **Nautical documents and charts for both courses are required and will have to be shown** during the security check and kept aboard till the race director confirms the selected course.

### Nautical documents:

- International Regulations for Avoiding Collisions at Sea (COLREGS);
- Logbook;
- Tide tables;
- Sailing Directions for the areas concerned (France, United Kingdom, Ireland);
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### Maps (paper version) – Fastnet course (SHOM charts, equivalent accepted):

- Baie de Douarnenez - SHOM 7121 – Starting and finishing line;
- from Pointe Saint Mathieu to chaussée de Sein – Iroise – SHOM 7172 ;
- from Goulet de Brest to Portsall – île d'Ouessant – SHOM 7149 – chenal du Four ;
- Landfall entrance to the Channel, Celtic Sea – SHOM 7210 – (sailing) ;
- SW Coast Cornwall – SHOM 7340 or details of the entry of Cornwall harbours on nautical documents or other charts showing safe access to those harbours (Penzance, Falmouth, Newlyn...) ;
- from Saint Agnes Head to Dodman Point - Isles of Scilly – SHOM 6967 ;
- from Kenmare River to Cork port – SHOM 7336 - (landfall Ireland).

Maps (paper version) - southern course towards the Gironde estuary (SHOM charts, equivalent accepted:

- Baie de Douarnenez – SHOM 7121 (L) - Starting and finishing line;
- from chaussée de Sein to Pointe de Penmarc'h - Baie d'Audierne – SHOM 7147(L) ;
- from Pointe de Penmarc'h to Pointe de Trévignon, Glénan islands archipelago-SHOM 7146 (L);
- from l'île de Penfret to plateau des Birvideaux - around Lorient – SHOM 7031 (L) ;
- from presqu'île de Quiberon to sables d'Olonne – SHOM 7068 (L) ;
- from l'île d'Yeu to pointe de la Courbe - plateau de Rochebonne – SHOM 7069 (L);
- from Saint Jean-de-Monts to Sables d'Olonne – SHOM 7402 (L) ;
- from plateau de Rochebonne to bassin d'Arcachon – SHOM 7070 or map or nautical document ensuring the junction with the 7069 map and that allows a safe navigation towards the Gironde estuary (virtual marker AIS 'aton' BXA).

### 13 **PROGRAMME**

The Mini Fastnet pre-race phase will take place in the Tréboul harbour.

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| - <b>Boat arrivals and free berthing period:</b>   | - from Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2022 |
| - <b>Start of checks and entry confirmations:</b>  | - Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June at 09:00   |
| - <b>End of security checks:</b>   | - Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June at 18:00   |
| - <b>End of registrations:</b>   | - Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June at 18:00   |
| - <b>Compulsory Prologue in the Bay of Douarnenez:</b><br>(tests on tracking devices and VHF Checking) | - <b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>    |
| - <b>Skippers' reception and buffet:</b>   | - <b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>    |
| - <b>Start of the race:</b>  | - <b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>      |
| - <b>Race results and awards ceremony:</b>   | - <b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>    |
| - <b>End of the free berth period in the harbour:</b>  | - Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2022       |

Attention: for boats not participating in the Calvados cup, free berthing will be from Monday June 20, at Port Rhu. For this, it is necessary to anticipate towing and to warn the organizer and the port in advance of your intentions.

**Please inform the Race Committee and the harbour office about your eventual intention to remain in the harbour after the race and/or about the parking of your trailer.**

### 14 **PRE-RACE**

- 14.1 Boats and skippers (or skippers' representative) must be available for the Race Committee no later than on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 10:00 in Douarnenez.**

**At that time at the latest and before starting the security check, skippers (or their representative) must sign in to the race secretary to prove their presence as well as that of their boat in Douarnenez.**

14.2 After this deadline, the following penalties can be applied: 80€ for the first 24 hours, then 160€ after 48 hours (See 2020 Mini rules, article R-14-c and 2021 Mini Rules to be published). These penalty fees will be donated to a Marine Search and Rescue organization.

14.3 Boats and skippers, who, according to article R-12 agreed by the race director, are not in Douarnenez by **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 12:00** will not be allowed to take part in the race.

## 15 **CLASSIFICATION**

There will be a Proto and a Series classification. They will be made in real time taking into account eventual penalties and bonuses (adjustment to RCV A.4).

## 16 **PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the winner of each category.

"Good perf" prizes provided by the Mini Class will be given to the skippers selected by the winners of each category.

## 17 **INSURANCE**

Every boat taking part in the race must have a valid insurance and a third party Civil Responsibility with a minimal cover of 2 million Euros for the race.

(Competitors with no FFVoile license must be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 2 000 000 € - Mini Guide 2022 article R-12.)

## 18 **BRIEFINGS AND RECEPTIONS**

It is compulsory for competitors to attend the official briefings and receptions listed on the programme detailed in this Race Notice.

## 19 **USE OF RIGHTS**

In accordance with n° 84-610 of July 16<sup>th</sup> 1984 about the organization and advertising sporting activities, modified by law n° 2003-708 of August 1<sup>st</sup> 2003, competitors taking part the MINI FASTNET race automatically give authorization to the organizing authority to use and show, whenever they wish, their name and images of the boat and sponsors and communication on the race in all territories and all medias.

## 20 **RESPONSIBILITY**

Competitors participate at the event at their own risk and they alone shall be responsible for their participation.

**It is the sole responsibility of each skipper to decide to take part in the event, to stop or continue it at any given time according to his or her skills, their equipment, the weather conditions, etc. ...**

## CONTACTS :

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## ANNEX

### « National prescriptions applying to foreign competitors »

#### Prescriptions of the French Sailing Federation

##### Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 / 2020-2024

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 64.3 (Decisions on protests concerning class rules):

The jury may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, a deposit covering the cost of checking arising from a protest concerning class rules.

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 67 (Damages):

Any question about or request of damages arising from an incident involving a boat bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing or International Regulation to Prevent Collision at Sea depends on the appropriate courts and cannot be dealt by the jury.

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 70.5 (Appeals and requests to a national authority):

The denial of the right of appeal is subject to the written authorization of the Fédération Française de Voile, received before publishing the notice of race. This authorization shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 78.1 (Compliance with class rules; certificates):

The boat's owner or other person in charge shall, under his sole responsibility, make sure moreover that his boat complies with the equipment and security rules required by the laws, by-laws and regulations of the Administration.

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 86.3 (Changes to the racing rules):

An organizing authority wishing to change a rule listed in RRS 86.1(a) in order to develop or test new rules shall first submit the changes to the FFVoile, in order to obtain its written approval and shall report the results to FFVoile after the event. Such authorization shall be mentioned in the notice of race and in the sailing instructions and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 88 (National prescriptions):

Prescriptions of the FFVoile shall neither be changed nor deleted in the notice of race and sailing instructions, except for events for which an international jury has been appointed.

In such case, the prescriptions marked with an asterisk (\*) shall neither be changed nor deleted in the notice of race and sailing instructions. (The official translation of the prescriptions, downloadable on the FFVoile website [www.ffvoile.fr](http://www.ffvoile.fr), shall be the only translation used to comply with RRS 90.2(b)).

(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 91(b) (Protest committee):

The appointment of an international jury meeting the requirements of Appendix N is subject to prior written approval of the Fédération Française de Voile. Such authorization shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.