

SPECIAL RULES version 28/06/23

FISLY European Championship Landyachting 2023 De Panne

30/09/2023 – 6/10/2023

Classes: 2,3,5,Standart

1. Special Rules

- 1) This championship is organized under the regulation issued by “F.I.S.L.Y.” (ISRR and Appendixes) and the special rules issued by the organizing committee and authorities.
- 2) By participation to the EC, each pilot declares his/her approval of all of the rules in this document (Special Rules EC 2023). In particular they accept and understand that:
 - a. They will act in such a way as not to ever endanger others.
 - b. They will commit to following all instructions by the organizing committee, the race direction and the authorities.
 - c. They are aware that the non-respect of such rules can lead to disqualification (races and/or event) or prohibition to start.
 - d. They are aware of their obligation to restore all damages caused by themselves (be they voluntary, by carelessness, or through their behaviour) to the material of the organizing committee.
 - e. Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provisions of this agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.
 - f. Any and all legal disputes concerning this European Championship and these rules will be the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Veurne, Belgium.

2. Briefing

- 1) General briefing

It is obligatory for all participating pilots to attend the general briefing on Saturday September 30 at 18:00 h in Town Hall De Panne, Zeelaan 21.

- 2) Daily briefing

A pilots briefing for all classes will be held on the beach near the technical zone at the start of each racing day to define the circuits for the classes, start lines, start order etc... Specific or last minute information on the event will be announced at this time too. Pilots and yachts are expected to be in the technical zone and ready to sail 30 minutes BEFORE the announced time of (race) briefing. The class running order for the first day will be announced at the daily briefing of the first day. In principal, the starting order for all the consecutive days will be announced at the price giving the day before and be posted on the ONB.

- 3) Race Briefing

Before the start of each race, the circuit race director will hold a race specific briefing on the race track. Language of these race briefings will be English + French. This briefing is mandatory.

3. Starting numbers – Morel Grid

A sticker containing a morel grid and the pilot's personal starting numbers will be provided at the general briefing to all competing pilots. Each pilot is obliged to put this sticker on his yacht prior to the first race.

4. Start

Pilots who start too early will be considered as “compromising the result”.

5. Sailing during other classes races.

Without permission of the race director, it is absolutely forbidden to sail while another race is in progress. Pilots who ignore this rule will be sanctioned.

6. Vehicles

It is forbidden to access the beach with a motorized vehicle, except for the organization vehicles. Each class (all countries together) can place maximum 2 trailers with spare material in the technical zone on the beach. These trailers must be towed by the organization before and after the races. No motorized vehicles are allowed on the club terrains including the roads/paths to the club.

7. Technical check

The Race Team can ask the Jury to perform a technical check and sail measurement at any given time.

8. Technical assistance

In case a technical assistance vehicle makes an intervention on the race track, pilots are obliged to leave sufficient space for the assistance team to operate safely. Pilots must strictly adhere to instructions signalled by the race team or authorities. These may include extra marks and restricted access zones. Pilots who ignore such instructions will be sanctioned by the jury.

9. Securing the yachts

When not sailing, pilots are obliged to secure their yachts to prevent them from moving on their own, or causing any damage to people or other yachts. This may be sanctioned and pilots will be held responsible for all damages caused by their yacht.

10. Accidents

Pilots (and others) who are involved in an accident, must stand upright ASAP in order to signal that they are not hurt badly.

11. Sail numbers

Each pilot must use the same sail number during the championship. This is the same number that was applied during the inscription. Pilots who use a different sail number will not be scored. Pilots who use an unclear or hard to read sail number will also not be scored.

12. The beach

All signals on the beach in whichever form must be respected. It is forbidden to ride on dykes, ramps or dunes.

13. Sponsoring

Pilots or other persons are not allowed to install commercial signs (flags, transparencies, etc...) in the zone between the sea and up to and including the public road and this during the entire championship, except in case such sponsors are indeed sponsoring the organization of the E.C. in accordance to agreed modules.

All pilots are asked to put the sponsor stickers provided by the organization on a clearly visible spot on their yacht. (without sponsors it is not possible to organize championships now or in the future)

14. Equipment and storage

Landyachts are allowed to stay on the designated parking's after racing, taking into account that the organizers cannot be held responsible for any damage and/or theft.

15. Jury

The jury is entitled to ask and see all personal or commercial images and movies to help in their decisions. (including drone footage or onboard cameras). These images may be used as evidence.

16. Morel Grid

The first start number will be randomly attributed. The second start number (after 6 races) will be the number equal to the pilots place in the provisional ranking after 6 races. The morel starting grid is followed for each start number attributed.

17. Class specifications

Pilots remain responsible to follow the conformity of the class rules. The jury may ask the scrutineering team to check class specifications during the whole event.

If any anomalies are detected, the Jury may disqualify the pilot for all previous races sailed with this yacht. Two pilots per class will be appointed to assist the scrutineering.

18. Race circuit A and race circuit B

There are 2 race circuits: Circuit A = club direction West (France) and Circuit B will be club direction East. In principle classes 2 and 3 will sail on one circuit and classes 5 and Standart will sail on the other circuit. However, according to the enrolment of the races, the race direction can decide otherwise.

19. Long Circuit

After 6 races and if beach and weather conditions are suitable, the race direction may organize a long circuit race (7th race only). In that case class Standart yachts and class 5 yachts may race on the same circuit together, but will be given a separate start. The same applies for class 3 and class 2.

The classes will be scored separately.

Regardless of the class, the yacht which is in the lead overall will be finished after minimum time of race duration has expired.

For this long circuit race in class Standart and 5, the Race Director is allowed to cancel the race for Standart or class 5 if wind speed is too low for one class or another.

20. Maximum number of yachts per class per country

Class 2 and 3: 10 yachts per team (m/f/x) + 2 champions (m/f)

Class Standart and 5: 16 yachts per team (m/f/x) + 2 champions (m/f)

21. Environment

All parties involved must limit their environmental impact.

- by respecting the markings and the circulations set up on the site
- by depositing their waste in the containers provided for this purpose
- by limiting the rinsing of yachts to minimize the use of water

22. Pilots and Registration

Each pilot must have a valuable FISLY ID 2023 attesting the possession of a national license and civil liability insurance.

By signing this document, the pilot declares that he/she is medically fit for the practice of sandyachting in competition and in particular for an international championship.

Each pilot may be asked by the organization or authorities to procure proof of documents, attesting the compliance of this article.

Each pilot must complete the registration form on the euro23depanne.be website and pay the associated costs 1 month before the start of the championship.

This registration must be confirmed by a member of FISLY or by FISLY.

23. Daily price giving

There will be a daily price giving for all races.

24. Exclusion of responsibility

The organiser is Royal Sand Yacht Club vzw. The organizing committee, the race direction, the organizing clubs and federations do not accept any responsibility over possible accidents, incidents or losses, be it

personal or equipment-wise which occurred before, during or after the European championship. This also applies to parking places, the clubhouse and all permanent or non-permanent accommodation (on site or off side areas).

All safety prescriptions must be observed and respected.

25. Fair Play

Exemplary Fair Play attitude is expected from all pilots, volunteers and organization.

(all capital)

surname and first name:

sailnumber: class:

date: 30/09/2023

Signature :