World Sailing Special Regulations

GOVERNING OFFSHORE RACING FOR MONOHULLS & MULTIHULLS
STRUCTURAL FEATURES · YACHT EQUIPMENT
PERSONAL EQUIPMENT · TRAINING

OFFSHORE RACING ENVIRONMENTAL CODE

World Sailing is committed to the promotion of care for the environment. In offshore racing we will:

• use holding tanks where fitted and empty at a pump-out station or more than 3 miles offshore
• in the bilges use oil collection pads and dispose properly ashore
• use environmentally-friendly cleaning products suitable for the marine environment
• retain garbage on board for recycling or disposal ashore except in a long voyage when biodegradable waste may be discharged overboard
• avoid the use of 2-stroke engines (except advanced models with pollution control)
• use solar, water power or wind charging when appropriate
• use shore toilets when in port
• observe IMO guidelines on biofouling
• encourage new offshore racing yachts (OSR Cat 0, 1 & 2) constructed after 2022, to produce at least 20% of their power requirements using renewable energy sources whilst racing
The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations

APPENDIX 1 WORLD SAILING OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS AND RORC PRESCRIPTIONS

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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.

RED TYPE indicates significant changes in 2020
BLUE TYPE indicates RORC Prescriptions

Guidance notes and recommendations have been removed from the Regulations and are available on www.sailing.org/documents/offshorespecialregs/index.php

The use of the masculine gender shall be taken to mean either gender.

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 prao) 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 3 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 incapacitation.

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>Coaming</td>
<td>The part of the cockpit, including the transverse after limit, over which the boat is floating level and the cockpit is filled to overflowing</td>
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<td>International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea</td>
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<td>Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation</td>
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<td>Digital Selective Calling</td>
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<td>European Norm</td>
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<td>Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacon</td>
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<td>FA Station</td>
<td>The transverse station at which the upper corner of the transom meets the sheerline</td>
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<td>First Launch</td>
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<td>Foul-Weather Suit</td>
<td>Clothing designed to keep the wearer dry and may consist of one piece or several</td>
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<td>Global Maritime Distress &amp; Safety System</td>
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<td>Global Navigation Satellite System</td>
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<td>GPS</td>
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<td>Hatch</td>
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<td>High Modulus Polyethylene (Dyneema®/Spectra® or equivalent)</td>
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<td>International Maritime Organisation</td>
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<td>IMSO</td>
<td>The International Mobile Satellite Organisation, the independent, intergovernmental organisation that oversees Inmarsat's performance of its Public Service Obligations for the GMDSS and reports on these to IMO</td>
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<td>Inmarsat Global Limited is the private company that provides GMDSS satellite distress and safety communications, plus general communications via voice, fax and data</td>
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<td>International Sailing Federation- (now World Sailing)</td>
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<td>ITU</td>
<td>International Telecommunications Union</td>
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<td>Jackstay</td>
<td>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</td>
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<td>Hull Length as defined by the ERS</td>
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<td>LSA</td>
<td>IMO International Life-Saving Appliance Code</td>
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<td>(Length of) loaded waterline</td>
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<td>A boat with one hull</td>
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<td>Material carried for the sole purpose of increasing weight and/or influencing stability and/or trim and which may be moved transversely but not varied in weight while a boat is racing</td>
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<td>A boat with more than one hull</td>
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<td>Offshore Racing Congress (formerly Offshore Racing Council)</td>
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<td>OSR</td>
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<td>Permanently Installed</td>
<td>The item is effectively built-in by e.g. bolting, welding, glassing etc. and may not be removed for or during racing</td>
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<td>PLB</td>
<td>Personal Locator Beacon</td>
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<td>Primary Launch</td>
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<td>Proa</td>
<td>Asymmetric Catamaran</td>
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<td>Rode</td>
<td>Rope, chain, or a combination of both, which is used to connect an anchor to the boat</td>
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**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
Organizing Authorities shall select from one of the following categories and may modify the OSR to suit local conditions.

**2.01.1** Category 0
Trans-oceanic races, including races which pass through areas in which air or sea temperatures are likely to be less than 5°C (41°F) other than temporarily, where boats must be completely self-sufficient for very extended periods of time, capable of withstanding heavy storms and prepared to meet serious emergencies without the expectation of outside assistance.

**2.01.2** Category 1
Races of long distance and well offshore, where boats must be completely self-sufficient for extended periods of time, capable of withstanding heavy storms and prepared to meet serious emergencies without the expectation of outside assistance.

**2.01.3** Category 2
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.

**2.01.4** Category 3
Races across open water, most of which is relatively protected or close to shorelines.

**2.01.5** Category 4
Short races, close to shore in relatively warm or protected waters normally held in daylight.

**2.01.6** Special Regulations - for Inshore Racing
Short races, close to shore in relatively warm and protected waters where adequate shelter and/or effective rescue is available all along the course, held in daylight only (refer to Appendix B).

**2.01.7** Special Regulations - for Inshore Dinghy Racing
Short races in boats that may not be self-sufficient, with rescue boats available all along the course, held in daylight only (refer to Appendix C).

**2.02** Incident Reporting
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
A boat shall be/have:
   a) properly rigged, fully seaworthy and shall meet the OSR
   b) 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
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 2022: 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 2022: 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 2022: 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
   a) less than 24 m (78'-9") LH shall:
      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.
   b) 24 m (78'-9") LH and greater shall:
      b) be designed, built and maintained in accordance with the requirements of a Classification Society recognized by World Sailing
   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
   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.

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:
### Stability - Monohulls

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<td>3.04.1</td>
<td>Able to demonstrate compliance with ISO 12217-2(\text{\textcopyright}) design category A or higher, either by EC Recreational Craft Directive certification having obtained the CE mark or the designer’s declaration.</td>
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<td>3.04.2</td>
<td>Where compliance in accordance with 3.04.1 cannot be demonstrated, able to demonstrate either:</td>
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<td>a) i) a STIX value not less than 32; and</td>
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<td>ii) AVS not less than 130 - 0.002(\text{m}), but always (\geq 100^\circ), where (\text{“m”}) is the mass of the boat in the minimum operating condition as defined by ISO 12217-2; and</td>
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<td>iii) a minimum righting energy (m*AGZ &gt; 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</td>
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### Stability and Flotation - Multihulls

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<td>3.05.1</td>
<td>Watertight bulkheads and compartments (which may include permanently installed flotation material) in each hull, to ensure that the boat is effectively unsinkable and capable of floating in a stable position with at least half the length of one hull flooded (see OSR 3.13.2)</td>
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<td>3.05.2</td>
<td>Transverse watertight bulkheads at intervals of not more than 4 m (13’-3”) in every hull without accommodation if with a First Launch after 1998</td>
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<td>3.05.3</td>
<td>Designed and built to resist capsize.</td>
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Mo0,1,2,3,4 3.06.1 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.

Mo0,1,2,3,4 3.06.2 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)

Mo0,1,2,3,4 3.07 Exits and Escape Hatches - Multihulls

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 3.07.1 Exits

   Mu4 3.07.1 At least two exits in each hull which contains accommodations

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 3.07.1 At least two exits in each hull which contains accommodations if 8 m (26'-3") LH and greater

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 3.07.2 Escape Hatches, Underside Clipping Points & Handholds

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 a) If 12 m (39'-4") LH and greater each hull which contains accommodation:

       i) an escape hatch for access to and from the hull in the event of an inversion;

       ii) a minimum clearance diameter through each escape hatch of 450 mm (18") or when an escape hatch is not circular, sufficient clearance to allow a crewmember to pass through fully clothed on boats if First Launch after 2002;

       iii) each escape hatch above the waterline when the boat is inverted;

       iv) each escape hatch at or near the midships station if First Launch after 2000;

       v) each escape hatch on the side nearest the vessel’s central axis for a catamaran if First Launch after 2002

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 b) if a trimaran at least two escape hatches in compliance with the dimensions in OSR 3.07.2 a) ii if 12 m (39'-4") LH and greater if First Launch after 2002

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 c) if a trimaran at least one escape hatch in compliance with the dimensions in OSR 3.07.2 a) ii if less than 12 m (39'-4") LH if First Launch after 2002

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 c) each escape hatch shall have been opened both from inside and outside within 6 months prior to the race

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 d) appropriate handholds/clipping points on the underside sufficient for all crew (on a trimaran these shall be around the central hull)

   Mu0,1,2,3,4 e) a catamaran with a central nacelle first launched after 2002 shall have on the underside around the central nacelle, handholds of sufficient capacity to enable all persons on board to hold on and/or clip on securely

   Mu2,3,4 3.07.3 This is replaced by a RORC Prescription: Multihulls shall have escape hatch(es) as detailed in OSR 3.07.2

Mo0,1,2,3,4 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:

       a) permanently attached and capable of being firmly shut immediately and remaining firmly shut in a 180° capsize

       b) above the water when the boat is heeled 90°

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** 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

** 3.08.5  if a monohull with Open Cockpit(s):

   a) a companionway sill that does not extend below the local sheerline; or

   b) a companionway in full compliance with ISO 11812 category A

** 3.08.6  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.

** 3.08.7  if a multihull with a companionway hatch extending below the local sheerline either:

   a) have a minimum sill height of 300 mm (12") and be capable of being blocked off up to the level of the local sheerline whilst giving access to the interior with the blocking device(s) in place; or

   b) be in compliance with ISO 11812 to design category A

   be in compliance with ISO 11812 to design category B

** 3.09  Cockpits

   a) primary launch before April 1992: 6% (LWL x maximum beam x freeboard abreast the cockpit)

   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

   Cocktail 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

** 3.11  Sheet Winches

** 3.12  Mast Step

** 3.13  Watertight Bulkheads
3.13.1 Either a watertight “crash” bulkhead within 15% of LH from the bow and abaft the forward end of LWL, or permanently installed closed-cell foam buoyancy effectively filling the forward 30% LH of the hull.

3.13.2 Any required watertight bulkhead to be strongly built to take a full head of water pressure without allowing any leakage into the adjacent compartment.

3.13.3 At least two watertight transverse main bulkheads in addition to any bulkheads positioned within the forward and aft 15% of LH.

3.13.4 Outside deck access for inspection and pumping shall be provided to every watertight compartment terminated by a hull section bulkhead, except that deck access to extreme end “crash” compartments is not required.

3.13.5 An access hatch in every required watertight bulkhead (except a “crash” bulkhead). The access hatch shall have means of watertight closure permanently attached to the main panel, or lid, or cover of the hatch. The closure shall not require tools to operate.

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”)
   iv) a boat less than 8.5 m (28’) LH may use a single lifeline system with a height between 450 mm (18”) and 560 mm (22”)

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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 pulpit 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”).

Figure 2 - Diagram Showing Pulpit Opening
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:

- 50 mm (2") for an upper or single lifeline
- 120 mm (4.7") for an intermediate lifeline

** Special Requirements for Pulpits, Stanchions, Lifelines on Multihulls

When on a boat it is impractical to precisely follow OSR regarding pulpits, stanchions, lifelines, the regulations for monohulls shall be followed as closely as possible

** Lifeline Specifications

- a) Lifelines of stranded stainless steel wire
- b) The minimum diameter is specified in table 8 below
- c) 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
- d) 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
- e) All components of the lifeline enclosure system shall have a breaking strength no less than the lifeline
- f) When HMPE is used, it shall be protected from chafe and spliced in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommended procedures

** Multihull Nets or Trampolines

The words "net" and "trampoline" are interchangeable. A net shall be:

- a) essentially horizontal
- b) made from durable woven webbing, water permeable fabric, or mesh with openings not larger than 5 cm (2") in any dimension. Attachment points shall be planned to avoid chafe. The junction between a net and a boat shall present no risk of foot trapping
- c) solidly fixed at regular intervals on transverse and longitudinal support lines and shall be fine-stitched to a bolt rope
- d) able to carry the full weight of the crew either in normal working conditions at sea or in case of capsize when the boat is inverted

** Trimarans with Double Crossbeams

A trimaran with double crossbeams shall have nets on each side covering:-

- a) the area formed by the crossbeams, central hull and outriggers
- b) the triangles formed by the aft end of the central pulpit, the mid-point of each forward crossbeam, and the intersection of the crossbeam and the central hull
- c) the triangles formed by the aftermost part of the cockpit or steering position (whichever is furthest aft), the mid-point of each after crossbeam, and the intersection of the crossbeam and the central hull, except that:-

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<th>HMPE rope (Single braid)</th>
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<td>under 8.5m (28ft)</td>
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3.15.2 d) OSR 3.15.2(c) is not a requirement when cockpit coamings and/or lifelines are present which comply with the minimum height requirements in OSR 3.14.

3.15.3 **Trimarans with Single Crossbeams**

A trimaran with a single crossbeam shall have nets between the central hull and each outrigger on each side between two straight lines from the intersection of the crossbeam and the outrigger, respectively to the aft end of the pulpits on the central hull, and to the aftermost point of the cockpit or steering position on the central hull (whichever is furthest aft).

3.16 **Catamarans**

3.16.1 A catamaran shall have nets covering the area defined:

3.16.1a) laterally by the hulls; and

3.16.1b) longitudinally by transverse stations through the forestay base, and the aftermost point of the boom lying fore and aft. However, a catamaran with a central nacelle (non-immersed) may satisfy the regulations for a trimaran.

3.17 **Toe Rail or Foot - Stop**

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.

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**

3.18.1 Permanently installed toilet.

3.18.2 Permanently installed toilet or fitted bucket.

3.19 **Bunks**

3.19.1 Permanently installed bunk for each crewmember.

3.19.2 Permanently installed bunks.

3.20 **Cooking Facilities**

3.20.1 Permanently installed cooking stove, capable of being operated safely at sea, with fuel shutoff control.

3.21 **Drinking Water Tanks & Drinking Water**

3.21.1 **Drinking Water Tanks**

3.21.1.1 Permanently installed delivery pump and water tanks dividing the water supply into at least three compartments.

3.21.1.2 Permanently installed delivery pump and water tanks dividing the water supply into at least two compartments.

3.21.1.3 Permanently installed delivery pump and water tank(s).

3.21.2 **Drinking Water**

3.21.2.1 Equipment (which may include watermakers and tanks containing water) permanently installed to provide at least 3 l (0.8 US Gal) of drinking water per person per day for the likely duration of the voyage.

3.21.3 **Emergency Drinking Water**

3.21.3.1 At least 9 l (2.4 US Gal) of drinking water for emergency use in a dedicated and sealed container or containers.

3.21.3.2 In the absence of a power driven watermaker, at least 1 l (0.26 US Gal) per person per day in at least two separate containers shall be provided for the expected duration of the voyage.

3.21.3.3 When a power-driven watermaker is on board, at least 500 ml (0.13 US Gal) per person per day in at least two separate containers shall be provided for the expected duration of the voyage.

3.21.3.4 Facilities shall be provided to collect rainwater for drinking purposes including when dismasted.

3.22 **Hand Holds**

3.22.1 Adequate hand holds fitted below deck.

3.23 **Bilge Pumps and Buckets**

3.23.1 a) Two strong buckets, each with a lanyard and of at least 9 l (2.4 US Gal) capacity.

3.23.1 b) Two permanently installed manual bilge pumps, one operable from above, the other from below deck.
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MoMu0,1,2,3 3.28.3 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

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.28.4 a) a dedicated engine/generator starting battery when an electric starter is the only method for starting the engine and/or separate generator

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

** 3.28.4 c) 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

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.29.01 a marine radio transceiver with an emergency antenna when the regular antenna depends upon the mast

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.29.02 if the marine radio transceiver is a VHF:

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.29.02 a) a minimum rated output power of 25 W

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.29.02 b) a masthead antenna not less than 38 cm (15") in length and co-axial feeder cable with not more than 40% power loss

MoMu3 3.29.02 b) a masthead antenna and co-axial feeder cable with not more than 40% power loss

MoMu1,2,3 3.29.02 c) be DSC capable if installed after 2015

MoMu1,2,3 3.29.02 d) (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

MoMu0 3.29.02 e) a marine VHF DSC radio covering all international and US marine channels and meeting ITU class D

MoMu0 3.29.03 a) at least two hand-held satellite telephones, watertight or with waterproof covers and internal batteries. When not in use each to be stowed in a grab bag (see OSR 4.21)

MoMu1 3.29.03 b) One hand-held satellite telephone, watertight or with waterproof cover and internal battery

MoMu0 3.29.04 at least two hand-held marine VHF transceivers each with min 5 W output power, watertight or with waterproof covers. When not in use to be stowed in a grab bag (see OSR 4.21)

MoMu1,2,3,4 3.29.05 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)

MoMu0 3.29.06 a second radio receiver, which may be the handheld VHF in 3.29.5 above, capable of receiving weather bulletins

MoMu0 3.29.07 a direction-finding radio receiver operating on 121.5 MHz to take a bearing on a PLB or EPIRB, or an alternative device for crew overboard location when each crew member has an appropriate personal unit (see OSR 5.07);

MoMu3 3.29.08 a GPS

MoMu0 3.29.09 a Standard-C satellite terminal (GMDSS) shall be permanently installed and permanently powered up for the duration of the race and for which the race committee shall have polling authority

MoMu0 3.29.10 an MF/HF marine SSB transceiver [GMDSS/DSC] with at least 125 W transmitter power and frequency range from at least 1.6 to 29.9 MHz with permanently installed antenna and earth

MoMu0 3.29.11 an active radar set permanently installed either:

MoMu0 3.29.11 a) a pulse (magnetron) unit with not less than 4 kW PEP and an antenna unit with a maximum dimension not less than 533 mm; or

MoMu0 3.29.11 b) a frequency modulated continuous wave (FMCW) Broadband Radar™ unit. The radar antenna unit shall remain essentially horizontal when the boat is heeled and at least 7 m (23’) above the water. Installations in place before January 2006 shall comply as closely as possible with OSR 3.29.11 a)

Mu0 3.29.12 a class A AIS Transponder which either:

Mu0 3.29.13 an AIS Transponder which either:

MoMu0,1,2,3 3.29.13 a) shares the masthead VHF antenna via a low loss AIS antenna splitter; or
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**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 RORC Prescription: OSR 4.01.2 is amended to read: After the start when sail numbers are not displayed elsewhere (sails down) they shall be displayed on the port quarter. It is particularly important that all vessels can be easily identified so that they can be excluded from any search and rescue operation.

4.02 **Search and Rescue Visibility**

4.02.1 A 4 m² (43 ft²) area of highly-visible pink, orange or yellow on the coachroof and/or deck

4.02.1 A 1 m² (11 ft²) solid area of highly-visible pink, orange or yellow capable of being displayed on the coachroof and/or deck

4.02.2 A 1 m² (11 ft²) area of highly-visible pink, orange or yellow showing when the boat is inverted

4.04 **Soft Wood Plugs**

4.03.1 A tapered soft wood plug stowed adjacent to every through-hull opening

4.04 **Jackstays and Clipping Points**

4.04.1 Permanently Installed fittings for jackstay ends and clipping points

4.04.1 a) be independent on each side of the deck

4.04.1 b) enable a crewmember to move readily between the working areas on deck and the cockpit(s) with the minimum of clipping and unclipping operations

4.04.1 c) have a breaking strength of 2040 kg (4500#) and be uncoated and nonsleeved stainless steel 1 x 19 wire of minimum diameter 5 mm (3/16"), webbing or HMPE rope

4.04.2 Clipping points which shall:

4.04.2 a) be adjacent to stations such as the helm, sheet winches and masts, where crewmembers work

4.04.2 b) enable a crewmember to clip on before coming on deck and unclip after going below

4.04.2 c) enable two-thirds of the crew to be simultaneously clipped on without depending on jackstays

4.04.2 d) on a trimaran with a rudder on the outrigger, permit a crewmember to repair the steering mechanism whilst attached to a clipping point

4.05 **Fire Fighting Equipment**

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

4.05.2 3 fire extinguishers, each with 2 kg of dry powder or equivalent, in different parts of the boat, one system of which is to deal with fire in a machinery space

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

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4.06 **Anchors**

4.06 Anchors, chain and rope which comply with relevant class rules or the rules of a recognised Classification Society (e.g. Lloyd's, DNV, etc.)

4.06 2 unmodified 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

4.06 1 un-modified anchor that meets 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.
4.07 Flashlights and Searchlights

- Watertight lights with spare batteries and bulbs as follows:
  - a) a searchlight, suitable for searching for a person overboard at night and for collision avoidance
  - b) a flashlight in addition to 4.07 a)
  - c) the watertight flashlight in OSR 4.07 b) shall be stowed in the grab bag or emergency container
  - d) a high-intensity heavy duty searchlight powered by the boat’s batteries, instantly available for use on deck and in the cockpit
  - e) RORC Prescription: a floating waterproof torch for use in the event of man overboard at night, which can be thrown into the sea as a marker.

4.08 First Aid Manual and First Aid Kit

- 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

- A foghorn

4.10 Radar Reflector

- A passive radar reflector with:
  - a) octahedral circular plates of minimum diameter 30 cm (12"), or
  - b) octahedral rectangular plates of minimum diagonal dimension 40 cm (16"), or
  - c) 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

- A Radar Target Enhancer (RTE) which complies with ISO 8729-2:2009 or equivalent

4.11 Navigation Equipment

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

4.12 Safety Equipment Location Chart

- 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

- A knotmeter or distance measuring instrument (log)
- A depth sounder
- Two independent depth sounders

4.14 Spare Number

4.15 Emergency Steering

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

4.16 Tools and Spare Parts

- Tools and spare parts, suitable for the duration and nature of the passage
- An effective means to quickly disconnect or sever the standing rigging from the boat

4.17 Boat’s name

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

4.18 Retro-reflective material

- Marine grade retro-reflective material on lifebuoys, recovery slings, liferafts and lifejackets
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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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### 4.19 EPIRBs

- **4.19.1** Two water and manually activated 406 MHz EPIRBs
- **4.19.1** A water and manually activated 406 MHz EPIRB
- **4.19.2** A 406 MHz EPIRB registered after 2015 shall include an internal GPS
- **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

- **4.20.1 a)** One or more inflatable liferafts with a total capacity to accommodate at least the total number of people on board which complies with:
  - **4.20.1 a)** i) SOLAS LSA Code 1997 Chapter IV or later version; or
  - **4.20.1 a)** ii) ISO 9650-1:2005, Type 1, Group A - Small Craft - Inflatable; or
  - **4.20.1 a)** iii) ISAF liferafts manufactured before 2016 until replacement is due at end of service life; or
  - **4.20.1 a)** iv) ORC liferafts manufactured before 2003 until replacement is due at end of service life
MoMu0 4.20.1 b) A sufficient number of liferafts so that in the event of any one liferaft being lost or rendered unserviceable, sufficient aggregate capacity remains for all crewmembers
MoMu0 4.20.1 c) Liferafts shall comply with SOLAS LSA code 1997 Chapter IV or later version
2 Minimum Liferaft Equipment
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.2 a) A SOLAS liferaft shall contain as a minimum a SOLAS A pack;
MuMo1 4.20.2 b) An ISO 9650 liferaft shall contain as a minimum Pack 1 (greater than 24 hour pack);
MuMo2 4.20.2 c) An ISO 9650 liferaft shall contain as a minimum Pack 2 (less than 24 hour pack);
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:

*Drinking water in the grab bag (if any) may be replaced with a desalinator device
4.20.3 Liferat Packing and Stowage
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.3 a) Each liferaft shall be packed either in:-
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.3 a) i) a rigid container securely stowed on the working deck, in the cockpit or in an open space; or:-
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.3 a) ii) 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
MoMu1,2 4.20.3 b) 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
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.3 c) On a multihull or on a monohull with moveable ballast the liferaft shall be readily deployable whether or not the boat is inverted
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.3 d) The end of each liferaft painter should be securely fastened to the boat
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.3 e) Each raft shall be capable of being got to the lifelines or launched within 15 seconds
4.20.4 Spare Number
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 Liferat Servicing
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) A liferaft shall be serviced at a manufacturer authorized service station at the following maximum intervals:
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) i) SOLAS liferafts annually
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) ii) ISO 9650 canister packed liferafts every 3 years
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) iii) ISO 9650 valise packed liferafts every 3 years except that hired liferafts shall be serviced annually
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) iv) ISAF liferafts annually
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) v) ORC liferafts annually
MoMu0,1,2 4.20.5 a) b) Servicing certificates (original or a copy) on board
4.21 Grab Bags
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 Either a watertight compartment or a grab bag, readily accessible whether or not the boat is inverted, with the following minimum contents:
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 a) a watertight hand-held marine VHF transceiver with spare batteries
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 b) a watertight flashlight with spare batteries and bulb
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 c) 3 red hand flares
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 d) a watertight strobe light with spare batteries
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 e) a knife
Mo3Mu3,4 4.21 f) 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
MoMu0 4.22.1 a) A PLB (Personal Locator Beacon) equipped with 406Mhz and 121.5Mhz for each crew member
MoMu0,1,2 4.22.1 b) An AIS personal crew overboard beacon for each crew member

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**4.24** Spare Number

**4.25** Cockpit Knife

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

**4.26** Storm & Heavy Weather Sails

**4.26.1** Design

**4.26.1 a)** 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)

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

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**GPS Crew Overboard Position**

- **4.22.2 a)** A GPS capable of recording a crew overboard position, within 10 seconds, and monitoring that position, and
- **4.22.2 b)** connected to an emergency button immediately accessible to a helmsman which will sound an audible alarm in the accommodation and simultaneously send an appropriate signal to the GPS

**4.22.3** A lifebuoy with a self-igniting light, a whistle and a drogue within reach of the helmsman and ready for immediate use

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

**4.22.5** Each lifebuoy shall be equipped with a sachet of fluorescein dye

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

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

**4.22.8 a)** A recovery sling which includes:

- **4.22.8 b)** buoyancy section (horseshoe) with no less than 90 N (20#) buoyancy

**4.23 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.
** 4.26.1  c) Sheetling positions on deck for each storm and heavy-weather sail
4.26.1  d) Sheetling positions for the trysail independent of the boom

** 4.26.2
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** 4.26.2  a) A heavy-weather jib (or heavy-weather sail in a boat with no forestay) with:
4.26.2  a) i) area of 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared
4.26.2  a) ii) readily available means, independent of a luff groove, to attach to the stay

4.26.2  b) A storm jib with:
4.26.2  b) i) area of 5% height of the foretriangle squared
4.26.2  b) ii) area of 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared
4.26.2  b) iii) permanently attached means, independent of a luff groove, to attach to the stay

4.26.2  c) For sails made after 2011: Storm and heavy weather jib areas calculated as: (0.255 x luff length x (luff perpendicular + 2 x half width))

4.26.2  d) A storm trysail with:
4.26.2  d) i) area of 17.5% mainsail hoist (P) x mainsail foot length (E)
4.26.2  d) ii) For sails made after 2011: The storm trysail are calculated as (0.5 x leech length x shortest distance between tack point and leech)
4.26.2  d) iii) no headboard
4.26.2  d) iv) no battens
4.26.2  d) v) sail number and letters on both sides, as large as practicable
### SECTION 4 - MAJOR EQUIPMENT

#### 4.26.2 Sail Inventory
- **d)** vi) 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.

#### 4.26.3 Sail Inventory
- **e)** i) 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)
- **e)** ii) either a storm trysail as defined in OSR 4.26.2 d), or mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40% (or rotating wing mast if suitable)
- **e)** iii) either mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by 12.5% or a heavy-weather jib as defined in 4.26.2 a) (or heavy-weather sail in a boat with no forestay)

#### 4.27 Drogue, Sea Anchor
- **4.27.1** A drogue for deployment over the stern, or a sea anchor or parachute anchor for deployment at the bow, complete with all necessary gear (see Appendix K)

#### 4.28 Spare Number

#### 4.29 Deck Bags
- **4.29.1** If permitted by the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions or Class Rules, bags for storing sails on deck shall be:
  - **a)** so constructed to ensure rapid draining of water
  - **b)** securely fastened in such a way that the integrity of deck fittings e.g. stanchions and lifelines, is not compromised

#### 4.30 Emergency Pumps
- **4.30.1** either fixed or portable pump to remove ingress water from any compartment.
  - **a)** This pump shall:
  - **b)** have a minimum rated capacity of 200 l/min
  - **c)** be operated by battery, main engine powered or a separate engine
  - **d)** if portable electric-powered, power cables to be terminated with alligator clips
  - **e)** have sufficient hose to discharge directly overboard or into the cockpit.
  - **f)** 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:
  - **a)** if manufactured before 2012 comply with ISO 12402 - 3 (Level 150) or equivalent, including EN 396 or UL 1180 and:
    - **i)** if inflatable have a gas inflation system
    - **ii)** crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS))
    - **iii)** have an integral safety harness in compliance with OSR 5.02
    - **iv)** 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
  - **b)** have crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS))
  - **c)** an integral safety harness in compliance with OSR 5.02
  - **d)** have an emergency position indicating light in accordance with either ISO 12402-8 or SOLAS LSA code 2.2.3
  - **e)** be clearly marked with the boat’s or wearer’s name
  - **f)** have a sprayhood in accordance with ISO 12402-8
  - **g)** have a PLB unit (as with other types of EPIRB, should be properly registered with the appropriate authority)
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, except a PLB described in 5.01.1

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

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.5 RORC Prescription: A combined harness and lifejacket shall be worn when on deck:

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.5 a) between the hours of sunset and sunrise
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.5 b) when alone on deck
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.5 c) when reefed
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.5 d) when the true wind speed is 25 knots or above
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.01.5 e) when the visibility is less than 1 nautical mile

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 a) comply with ISO 12401 or equivalent
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 b) not exceed 2 m (6'-6") including the length of the hooks
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 c) have self-closing hooks
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 d) have overload indicator flag embedded in the stitching
MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.2 e) 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 5.02.3 c) a boat shall carry spare harnesses and tethers as required in OSR 5.02 above sufficient for at least 10% of the crewmembers (minimum one unit)

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.02.4 A tether which has been overloaded shall be replaced

5.03 Personal Location Lights

MoMu0 5.03.1 Two packs of miniflares or two personal location lights (either SOLAS or strobe): one to be attached to, or carried on, the person when on deck at night

5.04 Foul Weather Suits

MoMu0 5.04 a) A foul weather suit with hood

5.05 Knife

MoMu0 5.05.1 A knife, to be worn on the person at all times

5.06 Flashlight

MoMu0 5.06.1 A buoyant watertight flashlight

MoMu0,1,2,3 5.06.2 RORC Prescription: at night, each crew member shall carry a waterproof torch/light

5.07 Survival Equipment

MoMu0 5.07.1 an immersion suit (attention is drawn to EN ISO 15027-1 constant wear suits, and EN ISO 15027-2 abandonment suits and the LSA Code Chapter II, 2,3),

5.08 Diving Equipment

MoMu0 5.08.1 The boat shall have at least two diving suits each to cover the entire body and including gloves, fins and portable air supplies

SECTION 6 - TRAINING

MoMu0 6.01.1 Every member 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

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

MoMu3 6.01.3 When there are only two crewmembers, at least one shall have undertaken training within the five years before the start of the race in OSR 6.02 Training Topics
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 Damage Control
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 At least annually the crews shall practice the drills for:
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6.04 Crew-Overboard Recovery
**
6.04 Abandonment of vessel

6.05 Medical Training

MoMu0
6.05.1 At least one crewmember shall have a valid STCW A-VI/4-2 (Proficiency In Medical Care) certificate or equivalent

MoMu0
6.05.2 In addition to 6.05.1 another crewmember shall have a valid first aid certificate completed within the last five years meeting:

MoMu1
6.05.2 At least two crewmembers shall have a valid first aid certificate completed within the last five years meeting:

MoMu2
6.05.2 At least one crewmember shall have a valid first aid certificate completed within the last five years meeting:

MoMu0,1,2
6.05.2 a) A certificate listed on the World Sailing website www.sailing.org/specialregs of MNA recognised courses

MoMu0,1,2
6.05.2 b) STCW First Aid Training complying with A-VI/1-3 - Elementary First Aid or higher STCW level

MoMu3,4
6.05.3 At least one member of the crew shall be familiar with First Aid procedures, hypothermia, drowning, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and relevant communications systems

6.06 Diving Training
6.06.1 At least 30% of the crew shall have received appropriate diving training to enable them to carry out basic repairs underwater and to provide assistance if necessary in recovery of a crew overboard.
### APPENDICES TO SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- Appendix A - Moveable and Variable Ballast
- Appendix B - For Inshore Racing
- Appendix C - For Inshore Dinghy Racing
- Appendix D - A guide to ISO and other Standards
- Appendix E - World Sailing Code for the organisation of Oceanic Races
- Appendix F - Standard Inspection Card
- Appendix G - Model Training Course
- Appendix H - Model First Aid Training Course
- Appendix J - Hypothermia
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### RORC PRESCRIPTIONS TO THE WORLD SAILING OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS

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| ** | 4.01.2 | Amend to read: After the start when sail numbers are not displayed elsewhere (sails down) they shall be displayed on the port quarter. It is particularly important that all vessels can be easily identified so that they can be excluded from any search and rescue operation. |
| ** | 4.07 | Add to 4.07 |
| 4.07 | e) | a floating waterproof torch for use in the event of man overboard at night, which can be thrown into the sea as a marker. |

| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.01.5 | A combined harness and lifejacket shall be worn when on deck: |
| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.01.5 | a) between the hours of sunset and sunrise |
| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.01.5 | b) when alone on deck |
| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.01.5 | c) when reefed |
| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.01.5 | d) when the true wind speed is 25 knots or above |
| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.01.5 | e) when the visibility is less than 1 nautical mile |
| MoMu0,1,2,3 | 5.06.2 | at night, each crew member shall carry a waterproof torch/light. |
APPENDIX 2 WORLD SAILING INSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS

Special Regulations for inshore racing are intended for use in short races, close to shore in relatively warm and protected waters where adequate shelter and/or effective rescue is available all along the course, held in daylight only.

All the items relevant to Special Regulations for inshore racing are included in World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B, shown below.

Part A Basic

The following regulations shall be observed:-

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/her responsibilities in the event of his/her incapacitation.

2.03.1 All equipment required by OSR shall:

a) function properly
b) be regularly checked, cleaned and serviced
c) when not in use be stowed in conditions in which deterioration is minimised
d) be readily accessible
e) be of a type, size and capacity suitable and adequate for the intended use and size of the boat.

3.02 Watertight Integrity of a Boat

A boat shall be 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.

Part B Portable Equipment

The following shall be provided:

3.23 one strong bucket with a lanyard and of at least 9 litres (2.4 US Gal) capacity
3.24 one compass (a hand-held is acceptable)
4.05 one fire extinguisher required if electrical system, engine or stove on board
4.06 one anchor
4.22 a lifebuoy with a drogue
4.22.5 A heaving line, no less than 6 mm (1/4”) diameter, 15 - 25 m (50 - 75’) long, readily accessible to cockpit
4.25 A strong, sharp knife, sheathed and securely restrained shall be provided readily accessible from the deck or a cockpit.

5.01.1 each crew member shall have:

A personal flotation device which shall:

a) be equipped with a whistle
c) clearly marked with yacht’s or wearer’s name
d) if inflatable, regularly checked for air retention,

Unless otherwise specified by a boat’s applicable class rules or by sailing instructions, personal flotation devices shall have at least 150N buoyancy, arranged to securely suspend an unconscious man face upwards at approximately 45 degrees to the water surface.