



**LOOR Prescriptions to  
World Sailing’s Offshore Special  
Regulations (OSR) for Category 3  
Monohull with Sail Canada  
Prescriptions  
2026-2027  
Effective as of 2026-01-01  
Published on 2026-01-12**

The following are LOOR’s adds, changes and deletes as prescriptions to the World Sailing’s Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3 without liferaft with the prescriptions from Sail Canada.

For timing and logistics reasons, LOOR is issuing its prescriptions as a separate list rather than updating and revising the base documents.

These prescriptions are effective as of 2026-01-01 and apply to monohulls in all LOOR Events classified as LOOR OSR Category 3.

**Table 1 LOOR Amendments**

#	SECTION	TITLE	DETAILS
1.	1.03.1	Definitions, Abbreviations, Word Usage	Add row after “LWL”: “MOB Man Overboard”
2.	3.02.4	Watertight and Structural Integrity of a Boat	Add at the beginning: “Highly recommends ...”
3.	3.02.5	Watertight and Structural Integrity of a Boat	Add at the beginning: “Highly recommends ...”
4.	3.14.3	Lifeline Specifications	In d), Add after the end: “Vinyl coated lifelines are permitted in LOOR events. Person-in-Charge is required to remove the coating to either side of any apparent rust and verify the integrity of the lifelines; this is particularly important for older yachts with original lifelines or yachts that have been exposed to salt water in the past.”
5.	3.18.2	Toilet	Delete: “or fitted bucket.”
6.	3.29.7	AIS	Add at the beginning: “Highly recommends ...”

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#	SECTION	TITLE	DETAILS
7.	4.05.02	Fire Fighting Equipment	Replace with: “Meets Governmental authority requirements for fire extinguishers in accordance with vessel registry.”
8.	4.23	Pyrotechnic and Light Signals	Replace with: “Meets Governmental authority requirements for pyrotechnic and light signals in accordance with vessel registry.”
9.	4.26 4.27	Storm & Heavy Weather Sail Inventory Storm & Heavy Weather Sail Specifications	Replace with: “An adequate means of reefing the mainsail by at least 30% of the luff length shall be installed. (With following sentence added for V01.01, March 1, 2025) For mainsails manufactured before June 1, 2024, 12% shall suffice if a storm jib, number 4 jib or roller furling genoa is on board.”
10.	5.01.1 a)	Lifejacket	Add after the end: “Crotch strap(s) / thigh straps that are functionally equivalent to ISO 12401 will be accepted.”
11.	5.01.2	Lifejacket	Add after the end: “Recommend crewmembers each have a personal MOB device that is conducive with search and rescue efforts on behalf of the boat they are racing on and the assets of the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC)Trenton.”
12.	6.01.2	Training	Change “at least 30%” To “at least 15%” before July 1, 2026, and at least 30% from July 1, 2026.”

The base documents are available at:

World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR)

[www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/offshore-special-regulations/](http://www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/offshore-special-regulations/)

Sail Canada Prescriptions to the World Sailing OSR

[www.sailing.ca/special-regulations/](http://www.sailing.ca/special-regulations/)

Full details on LOOR and the Official Notice Boards for LOOR events, see:

[www.loor.ca](http://www.loor.ca)

[racing.loor.ca](http://racing.loor.ca)

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