



NOTICE OF RACE

The Nations Trophy will take place in Saint Tropez from 08 to 12 October 2025 and is organized, under the authority of Federation Francaise de Voile, by Societé Nautique de Saint-Tropez in collaboration with ClubSwan Racing Srl and the classes ClubSwan 50, Swan 45, ClubSwan 43, ClubSwan 42, ClubSwan 36, ClubSwan 28 Class.

Preamble. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat and for which the International Jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2(a)

1. RULES

1.1 This event will be governed by:

- (a) the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS),
- (b) the ClubSwan 50, Swan 45, ClubSwan 43, ClubSwan 42, ClubSwan 36 and ClubSwan 28 Class Rules unless they are amended within this Notice of Race, in accordance with RRS 87.
- (c) The Nation League scoring system applies, available [AT THIS LINK](#)
- (d) For ClubSwan 50, Swan 45, ClubSwan 43, ClubSwan 42 - the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 4, subject to possible amendments by class rules.
- (e) For ClubSwan 36 and ClubSwan 28 - the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix for Inshore Racing, subject to possible amendments by class rules.
- (f) RRS 47 is in force (see NOR 19)
- (g) Prescriptions of FFvoile RRS 2025-2028 (available [here](#))
- (h) In the event of a discrepancy between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence. (this changes RRS rule 63.7).
- (i) The races may be umpired.
- (j) For ClubSwan50 Class ONLY: it may be established a "Guest-onboard-day". All ClubSwan 50 teams will be asked to welcome one guest onboard, with the aim of not creating any advantage/disadvantage.
It is the sole responsibility of the OA to decide if, given weather condition, to cancel the "Guest-onboard-day".
This amends Class Rule C.2.6 limited to the "Guest-onboard-day".
Class Rule C.2.6 applies to any other racing days.

(k) For ClubSwan 36 and ClubSwan 28: Class Rule Crew number/ weight C.2.1(a) is amended as follows:

“The crew weights recorded during the 1st event of The Nations League will apply to all of The Nations League events, with the exception of the Swan OD Worlds.

By entering the weight-in room, each crew member authorizes the Class Secretary to register his/her weight and to record it for the forthcoming events. Re- weighing shall only take place if a valid protest shows that the pre-race weights were not recorded correctly.

If there is a crew member change FROM THE PREVIOUS EVENT:

- the new crew member will need to weigh-in prior the start of that event;
- the team’s overall weight shall remain under the maximum allowed weight, if the weight should exceed the limit, the whole or part of the crew shall re-weight;
- if two (2) or more crew members are being replaced for an event, the entire team will need to re-weigh in.

A new team joining The Nations League during the season, after the first event, shall weigh-in before the first race it attends.”

(m) For ClubSwan 50, ClubSwan 43, ClubSwan 42 and Swan 45: Class Rule C.2.1(a) Crew number/ weight is amended as follows:

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- if three (3) or more crew members are being replaced for an event, the entire team will need to re-weigh in.

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1.2 The organizing committee reserves the right to install on every participating boat a tracking or positioning device. The correct installation and use during the regatta,

following the instructions handed out during the registration confirmation and the skipper's briefing, is responsibility of the crew.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTION

SIs will be available at registration from Monday 6 October and will be posted on the event website.

3. NOTICES

The Official Notice Board will be available online at

<https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50061>

4. ELEGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the ClubSwan 50, Swan 45, ClubSwan 43, ClubSwan 42, ClubSwan 36 and ClubSwan 28 with valid Measurement Certificate and Measurement Forms.
- 4.2 The World Sailing Eligibility Code and the World Sailing Sailor Categorization Code shall apply.
- 4.3 Crew lists and World Sailing Sailor IDs for all crew, as well as declarations of alternate, substitute and relief helmsmen shall be submitted through YachtScoring or by email to the Class Secretariat no later than Tuesday, 24 September 2025:
 - CLUBSWAN 50 CLASS: class@clubswan50.com;
 - SWAN 45 CLASS: swan45class@nautorswan.com
 - CLUBSWAN 43 CLASS: clubswan43class@nautorswan.com
 - CLUBSWAN 42 CLASS: clubswan42class@nautorswan.com
 - CLUBSWAN 36 CLASS: clubswan36class@nautorswan.com
 - CLUBSWAN 28 CLASS: clubswan28class@nautoswan.com
- 4.4 Crew Lists will be displayed on the Official Notice Board within 20:00 on Wednesday, 08 October.
- 4.5 The Classification Protest Time Limit will be at 10:00 on Thursday 09 October.
- 4.6 Eligible boats may enter through their Class Secretariat. Details will be made available.
- 4.7 The full entry shall be received by the Class no later than 08 September 2025, accompanied by the required entry fee.
- 4.8 The Swan OD Grand Prix may be established, bringing together the Swan 45, ClubSwan 43 and ClubSwan 42 classes. There will be two separate rankings: one for the individual One Design fleets, and another for the combined One Design Grand Prix fleet, based on the ORC One Design certificate.

5. ENTRY FEE

The entry fees will be as stated for The Nations League 2025 fee. For more details, contact your Class Secretariat.

6. ADVERTISING

- 6.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with WS Regulation 20.
- 6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising and bow numbers chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Find below the preliminary schedule for the event:

CLUBSWAN 50, SWAN 45, CLUBSWAN 43, CLUBSWAN 42, CLUBSWAN 36

Tuesday 07/10/25	
Registrations	14.00-18.00
Measurements	09.00-18.00
Wednesday 08/10/25	
Measurements	09.00-18.00
Practice Race	14:00
Thursday 09/10/25	
Skippers briefing	09.30
Racing	12.00
Daily prize giving	At dock in
Friday 10/10/25	
Racing	12.00
Daily prize giving	At dock in
Saturday 11/10/25	
Racing	12.00
Daily prize giving	At dock in
Sunday 12/10/25	
Racing	12.00
Prize-giving ceremony	At dock in

CLUBSWAN 28

Thursday 09/10/25	
Measurements	09.00-18.00
Friday 10/10/25	
Skippers briefing	09.30
Racing	12.00
Daily prize giving	At dock in
Saturday 11/10/25	

Racing	12.00
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Sunday 12/10/25	
Racing	12.00
Prize-giving ceremony	TIME TBC

Social functions will be announced closer to the event.

- 7.2 The scheduled time of warning signal for the first race is 12:00.
- 7.3 A maximum of 8 races are scheduled, of which at least 1 has to be completed by each class for the event to be valid. The RC may decide to sail one coastal race, when weather forecasts permit so. This race counts as one race.
- 7.4 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
- 7.5 No race shall start after 15.00 hours on Sunday 12 October.
- 7.6 The OA and/or RC reserve the right to modify the program because of weather conditions or for any other reason.

8. SCORING

The scoring system will be the Low Point Scoring System described in Appendix A4 of the RRS will apply.

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Boats competing in the event will be subject to inspection before the event begins; random measurement checks will be set during the event.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 of the RRS is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

11. VENUE

11.1 The venue will be old Port of Saint Tropez

11.2 The race area will be in the waters in front of Saint Tropez. A diagram of the Race Area will be attached to the SI.

12. THE COURSE

The course will be shown in details in the SI and will be a windward/leeward type of course. It could be a quadrilateral with inner loop/outer loop.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority, filling the form available on the online Official Notice Board and will have to comply with their Class Rules. The support boat shall collect an identification flag at the race office to be displayed throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the finish of the last race of the regatta. The Organizing Authority requests from each support boat a declaration of the boat's insurance company stating that the boat has a valid certificate of insurance including third party cover with a minimum value of Euro 1,500,000.00. Any infringement to the RRS or to the Class Rules could be reported to the Jury, that could open a hearing based on 60.4 of the RRS

14. COMPETITOR DRONES

- 14.1 Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the The Nations Trophy shore base or over the race area during racing days without complying with local legislation and in any case unless prior written approval by the organizer has been obtained.
- 14.2 The approval granted at sole discretion of the organizer may impose limitation on where and when to fly, with reference to any applicable Class Rule limitations.
- 14.3 At any time the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone and images made inside the race area shall be shared with the organizer, race committee or jury at reasonable request.

15. BERTHING

- 15.1 Boats whose entry has been confirmed for the regatta, will have a berthing place reserved, free of charge (included in the entry fee) from Monday October 6th at 12:00 (time of arrival to be confirmed boat by boat) to Monday October 13th at 12:00.

16. PRIZES

The following prizes will be awarded:

- (a) 1st, 2nd, 3rd of each class;
- (b) Best-placed nation.

Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA. Details will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

17. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

The boats shall not be hauled out during the event, starting from Thursday 9 October at 09:30, unless they have been authorized by the Technical Committee.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The Organizing Authority (OA) and any person or entity involved in the organization of the event will not accept any liability for loss, damage, injury or nuisances to people or things, both on the water or ashore, occurring as a result of taking part in the event announced in this Notice of Race, whether or not they are consequence of any proper or improper action of the OA and any person or entity involved in the organization. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity that carries risks. These risks include the possibility of dealing with strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in the weather, breakdowns / damage to equipment, maneuvering mistakes, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance due to yacht instability and fatigue with resulting in an increased risk of injury. The risk of permanent and serious injuries or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes is inherent in the sport of sailing. Competitors and their support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 (decision to race).

19. ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSABILITY

Recalling the Basic Principle that mentions: "Participants are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of sailing", we recommend the utmost attention to environmental protection in all moments that accompany the practice of the sport of sailing before, during and after the event. In particular, attention is drawn to RRS 47 - Waste Disposal - which verbatim states: "Competitors and their support people shall not intentionally put trash in the water. This rule applies at all times while afloat. The penalty for a breach of this rule may be less than disqualification."

20. INSURANCE

The Organizing Authority requests from each participating boat a declaration of the boat's insurance company stating that the boat has a valid certificate of insurance including third party cover with a minimum value of Euro 1,500,000.00 per accident, including cover for racing and taking into account the value of the boats racing and the measure of damages likely to arise in the event of an accident. For the support boats see paragraph 13.

The responsibility to hold adequate insurance cover for Third Liability and Third-Party Insurance (Property and Persons) is to the owners or the skippers alone. The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of insurance certificates.

21. CHANGES TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

The organisation reserves itself the right to change this Notice of Race. Any change made to this Notice of Race prior to the 9 October 2025, will be published on the event's website [according to RRS 89.2(b)].

22. SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Further details on Social Functions will be posted on the event website.

23. FURTHER INFORMATION

- CLUBSWAN 50 CLASS: class@clubswan50.com;
- SWAN 45 CLASS: swan45class@nautorswan.com
- CLUBSWAN 43 CLASS: clubswan43class@nautorswan.com
- CLUBSWAN 42 CLASS: clubswan42class@nautorswan.com
- CLUBSWAN 36 CLASS: clubswan36class@nautorswan.com
- CLUBSWAN 28 CLASS: clubswan28class@nautorswan.com

24. MEDIA RIGHTS

In participating in the Regatta a competitor expressly and automatically grants, without any demand for compensation, the Organizing Authority and sponsors of the Regatta the right, in perpetuity, to make, unrestricted right and permission to use and show at any time, and at their sole discretion, any still or motion pictures and live, filmed or taped television and other reproductions taken during the Regattas, the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the yacht they are sailing during the event, to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' name and biographical material may also be used or reproduced in any way known.

25. MEDIA & PRESS

25.1 Media representatives and Boat Press representatives wishing to cover the event are requested to contact pressclubswanracing@nautorswan.com

25.2 Media Drone: Accredited media are not authorized to fly drones on the regatta course.

25.3 Accredited media using their own vessel (or at their own expense) to follow the regatta shall obligatorily inform pressclubswanracing@nautorswan.com

26. ACCOMODATION

For hotel suggestions, please refer to your Class Secretariat.