



**LOOR Prescriptions to
World Sailing’s Offshore Special
Regulations (OSR) for Category 4
Monohull with Sail Canada
Prescriptions
2026-2027
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The following are LOOR’s adds, changes and deletes as prescriptions to the World Sailing’s Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 4 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 4.

Table 1 LOOR Amendments

#	SECTION	TITLE	DETAILS
1.	1.03.1	Definitions, Abbreviations, Usage	Add row after “LWL” “MOB Man Overboard”
2.	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.”
3.	3.18.2	Toilet	Delete: “or fitted bucket.”
4.	4.05.3	Fire Fighting Equipment	Replace with: “Meets Governmental authority requirements for fire extinguishers in accordance with vessel registry.”
5.	4.23	Pyrotechnic and Light Signals	Replace with: “Meets Governmental authority requirements for pyrotechnic and light signals in accordance with vessel registry.”
6.	4.26 4.27	Storm & Heavy Weather Sail Inventory	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,

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#	SECTION	TITLE	DETAILS
		Storm & Heavy Weather Sail Specifications	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.
7.	5.01.1	Lifejacket	Add after the end: “Crotch strap(s) / thigh straps that are functionally equivalent to ISO 12401 will be accepted.”
8.	6.04	Routine Training On-Board	Add after the end: “LOOR highly recommends that 30% or more of the crew have undertaken a Sail Canada Coastal Personal Survival Training Course, or training accepted as equivalent by LOOR within the five years before the start of the race.”

The base documents are available at:

World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR)

www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/offshore-special-regulations/

Sail Canada Prescriptions to the World Sailing OSR

www.sailing.ca/special-regulations/

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

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