

The logo features the text 'RS Feva' in a large, bold, black font, with 'FeVa' in a pink, cursive script. Below this, 'EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP' is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the year '2019' is centered between two horizontal lines. The background consists of abstract, flowing, translucent blue and red shapes.

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**RS**  
*Sailing*



**RS Feva European Championship 2019**

**30<sup>th</sup> May - 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019**

The Organising Authority is the Sport Nautique et Plaisance du Havre ( SNPH ) in conjunction with the RS Feva Class Association ( IRSFCA ).

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 – RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017–2020 (RRS).
- 1.2 The national authority prescriptions that apply are listed in Attachment B.

1.3 The racing rules will be changed as follows :

RRS 35 is changed so that after the first boat has finished, boats may be finished based on their observed position on the course.

RRS 40 changed so that competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing of personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.

RRS 63.7 is changed so that in the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions prevail.

The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

1.4 For infringements of rules other than Parts 1 and 2 of the RRS, the protest committee may award a penalty less than disqualification.

1.5 International RS Feva Class rules apply

## 2 – NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the SNPH Club House's window, in front of the SNPH Club House's terrace.

## 3 – CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at least two hours before the scheduled start time of the race or races concerned, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

## 4 – SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpoles on the SNPH Club House's roof.

4.2 Flag G and one sound means «Boats can go afloat and join the regatta's area »

Dates of registration and racing	Registration time ( SNPH Club House )	First scheduled warning signal
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	09 :00 – 12:00 & 13:30 – 18:00	
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	09 :00 – 12:00 & 13:30 – 18:00	
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	9:00 – 11:00	14:00:00
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May		11:00:00
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June		11:00:00
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June		10:00:00

## **5 – SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 The competitors and Support Boat briefing will be held at 11:30 at the SNPH's terrace on the first day of racing.
- 5.2 The race committee reserve the right to modify the programme due to extreme weather conditions or other causes. This may include bringing scheduled races forward, except the first scheduled race.
- 5.3 No more than six races will be sailed in any one day. It is likely that all races during a day will be sailed without time to go ashore between races.
- 5.4 In the event of a race being recalled, restarted, re-sailed or abandoned the next race sailed will be that race with subsequent races being sailed thereafter in their scheduled order.
- 5.5 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with multiple sound signals at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 12:30

## **6. CLASS FLAGS & REGATTA FORMAT**

- 6.1 The class flag will be a white flag with black 'RS' and pink 'Feva'.
- 6.2 All boats will sail together for each race during the whole event. The fleet isn't splitted into different flights.

## **7 – SAILING AREA**

The racing area will be Le Havre's bay, in front of Le Havre's beach.

## **8 – COURSES**

- 8.1 The courses are defined in Attachment A, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3 The course to be sailed will be indicated on the committee boat.
- 8.4 If one of two gate marks is missing and has not been replaced as described, then the single mark shall be rounded to port

## **9 – MARKS**

The marks are defined in Attachment A.

## **10 - AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 10.1 Boats shall keep more than 100 metres away from vessels longer than 100 metres, vessels displaying Flag A (indicating divers in the water) or vessels at anchor (except for race committee vessels). These areas are obstructions as defined in the RRS.
- 10.2 The channel of the Le Havre's port is forbidden for sailing. Every competitor and Support Boat must go out of this channel as faster as possible when they go out of the port.

## **11 – THE START**

- 11.1 The starting line will be between masts displaying orange flags on the race committee vessel at the

starboard end and a vessel or buoy at the port end.

11.2 A boat that does not start within five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

## 12 – CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

12.2 Minor mark moves (up to approximately 100m) may be made without signalling the change. This changes RRS 33.

## 13 – THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the finish mark.

## 14 – PENALTY SYSTEM

These sailing instructions are modifying RRS 44.1, 60.1, 62.1, 63.1, 66 et 70.

14.1 when an Umpire has decided that a boat has infringed a rule from chapter 2 or the RRS 31, he can indicate that a rule has been infringed by showing up a red flag with a sound signal

14.2 If after an umpire has indicated a rule breakage, the faulty boat has not done his penalty according to RRS 44.2, or gain significantly because of this infringement even with the penalty repair, the umpire can penalised again by pointing the red flag to that boat, with a sound signal and spelling the sail number.

In that case, the penalised boat must repair with a 2 laps penalty according to RRS 44.2

14.3 if a boat is penalised by an umpire and does not repair, he should be disqualified without instruction

(i) a decision, action or lack of action from an umpire should not be a reason to require : repair, re-opening or submit to appeal

(ii) the Jury or a competitor could place a protest against a boat in case of serious damage, injury or if RRS 2 may have been infringed, even if a boat was penalised by an umpire during the incident.

## 15 – TIME LIMITS & TARGET TIMES

15.1

Target Times	Minutes
Mark 1 time limit	25
Race time target	45

15.2 If no boat has passed mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15.3 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be

scored Did Not Finish without a hearing, unless SI 15.3 applies. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **16 – PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committees signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the SNPH' Club House Office, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 66.2.
- 16.6 A list of boats that have been penalised by the jury for breaking RRS 42 will be posted on the official notice board.

## **17 – EXONERATION PENALTY**

- 17.1 A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing or rule 31 may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of any related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts an Exoneration Penalty – a 30% scoring penalty (SCP) 5 calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c), except that the minimum penalty is three places and she shall not be scored worse than the number of boats that came to the starting area. However, if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.
- 17.2 When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted:
  - (a) Neither the boat nor a protest committee may then revoke or remove the penalty.
  - (b) The boat shall not be penalised further in a protest hearing when the protest committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules

## **18 – SCORING**

- 19.1 Two validated races are required to constitute a regatta
- 19.2 Points will allocate to the helm named on the entry form, and not the boat entered.
- 19.3 The total score of each boat will be the sum of her scores as follows :
  - Fewer than four completed races : all her race scores
  - Four or more completed races : all scores except her worst score
- 19.4 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a competitor may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office. If a request for correction is rejected, the time limit for requesting redress for the alleged error will run from the time that the rejection is advised to the competitor.

## **19 – SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 20.1 RRS 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 20.2 A tally system will be in operation.

20.2.1 The tally control point will be located by the RS Stage.

20.2.2 Tallies comprise of numbered rubber wristbands. Numbers will be allocated at registration.

Tallies shall be worn visibly, over clothing, on the right wrist by sailors at all times while afloat.

20.2.3 Sailors shall individually check-out before racing by personally collecting their tally.

20.2.4 Sailors shall individually check-in immediately on returning to shore after racing, but no later than the protest time limit, by returning the tally personally to tally control point.

20.2.5 Failure to tally-out or tally-in will result in a penalty of five points added to the boat score for the race finishing nearest to the time of initial failure to tally in or out.

20.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. A declaration sheet will be available at the tally board which must be signed by competitors who have retired as they tally-in.

## **21 – REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

21.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

21.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity

## **22 – EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

22.1 Equipment may be inspected or measured at any time for compliance to the class rules.

22.2 A breach of a class rule will be subject to a standard penalty which will be five points added to the boat's series score without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

## **23 – EVENT ADVERTISING**

23.1 Boats shall display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority.

23.2 When provided at registration, competitors shall make every reasonable effort to display event sponsors promotional items on their boat and sails as directed. If sponsor promotional items come off whilst racing, competitors must obtain replacement items from the RS Association before the start of racing the following day, if the Association has sufficient stocks available.

23.3 There will be no restriction on the number or coverage of advertisers logos or slogans except as specified in SI 23.3 above [see ISAF regulation 20 Advertising Code]

23.4 Any individual caught stealing sponsor promotional items, e.g. flags, banners, prizes, etc. shall be the subject of a report by the Race Committee to the Protest Committee requesting action under RRS 69.2(a).

## **24 – SUPPORT BOATS**

Support boats and support persons must comply with the requirements of the Notice of Race.

## **25 – TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

## 26 – RADIO COMMUNICATION & RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

Boats may carry fixed video recording equipment attached to any part of the boat, provided that this equipment is not remotely controlled.

## 27 – PRIZES

27.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows :

- 1st to 3rd Overall
- 1st Junior ( Helm and crew aged 13 or under on 31st December 2019 )
- 1st Ladies
- 1st Mixed

27.2 Titles will be awarded as follows :

### **RS Feva European Champion :**

First boat ( helm and crew aged 18 or under on 31st December 2019 ) A boat that comes first without meeting the age criteria for both sailors will be 'Open Winner of the RS Feva European Championship'.

### **1st Ladies at RS Feva European Championship :**

First all girl boat ( helm and crew aged 18 or under on 31st December 2019 )

### **1st Junior at RS Feva European Championship :**

First boat with helm and crew aged 13 or under on the 31st December 2019.

## 28 – RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the RRS states “The responsibility for a boat decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone”.

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk while taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
- (g) It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any competitors briefing held for the event.

## 29 - INSPECTIONS

The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in these Sailing Instructions.

### **30 - INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €2,000,000 per event or the equivalent.

### **31 - RIGHTS AND COPYRIGHT**

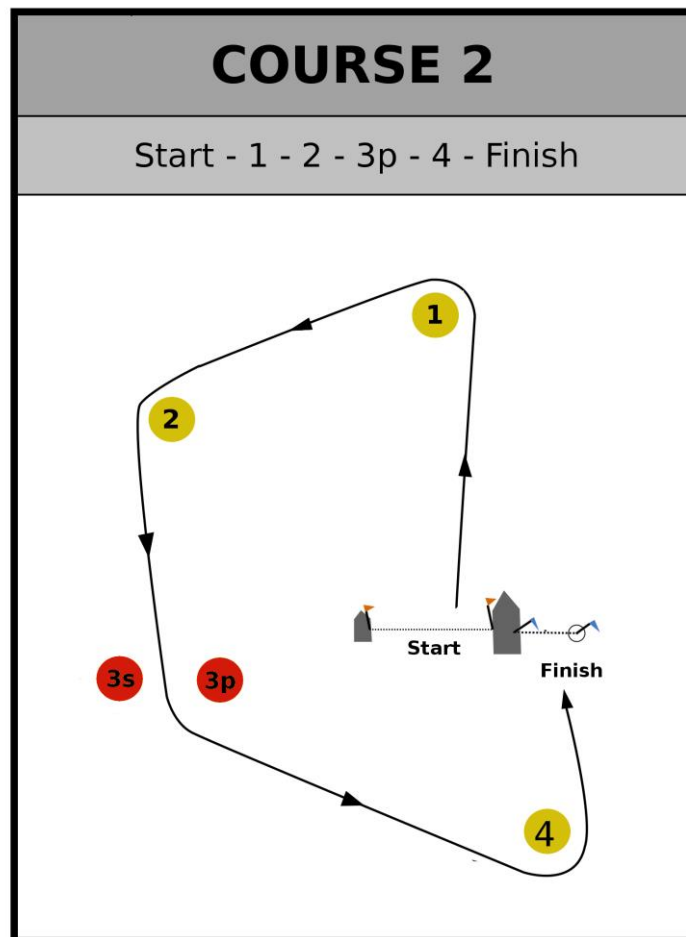
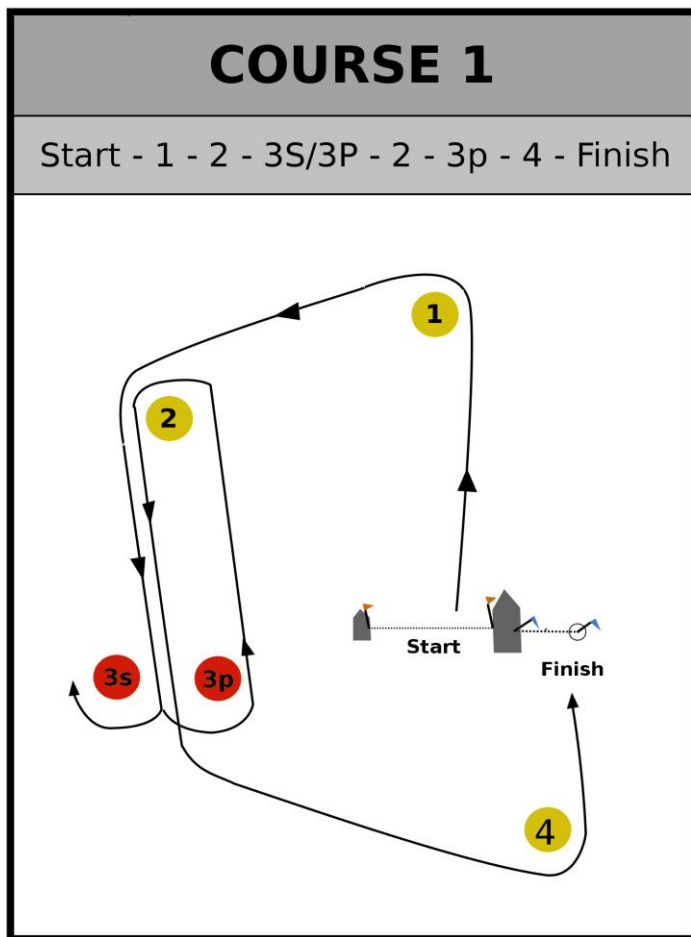
By participating in this event, a competitor automatically grants the Organising Authority, the national and International Class Associations and the sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show at their discretion any motion picture, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the championship, and of all of his/her material related to the championship, without compensation.

### **32 - USE OF DRONES**

Event drones (UAVs/UASs) may be used in close proximity to obtain media for an event. This may be on land and/or over water. Any material gained from their use can be used by the event team or sponsors for PR and media purposes.

## **ATTACHMENT A – COURSES**





Marks	RS Feva
1 - 2 - 4	Yellow
3S/3P	Red
Finish Mark	White "FFV" Buoy

## ATTACHMENT B – NATIONAL PRESCRIPTIONS

### Rule 3 Acceptance of the Rules

Add new rule 3.6 : 'Each competitor and boat owner shall ensure that their *support persons* comply with the rules.

### Rule 5 Anti-Doping

The national authority procedural rules required by World Sailing regulation 21.16 to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through World Sailing Regulation 21 are the FFV Anti-Doping Rules, as published on the FFV website.

### **Rule 67 Damages**

- 1 - Any issue of liability of claim for damages arising from an incident while a boat is bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts and not considered by a protest committee.
- 2 - A boat that takes a penalty or retires does not hereby admit liability for damages or that she has broken a rule.





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