

WORLD SAILING OFFSHORE SPECIAL REGULATIONS CHECKLIST 2017

CATEGORIES 1, 2 & CATEGORY 3 including Cat 2 Liferaft and AIS Transponder

Except where otherwise stated **ALL** RORC races require compliance with World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations **AND** RORC Prescriptions as printed in the RORC 2017 Notice of Race and at www.rorc.org

PLEASE COMPLETE IN CLEAR PRINT

Name of Yacht: _____ Sail No: _____
 Design or Type: _____ LH (LOA) in metres: _____
 MMSI Number: Call Sign:
 Home Port / Event Port: _____
 Mobile Phone Number (to be carried while racing): +
 Satellite Phone Number (if carried): +
 Name of person completing this form (please print): _____
 Signed: _____
Contact details for queries:
 Phone Number: +
 Email: _____

Under RORC Notice of Race 1.5.6.1 this Checklist shall be completed and returned to the RORC before a yacht may start in her first offshore RORC race of the season. **This form should be completed on board your yacht. Please keep a copy of the completed form on board to help you check your yacht during the season.**

This list is to assist the owner to check the yacht and her equipment for compliance with the Offshore Special Regulations. **It is not exhaustive and reference should be made to the complete Offshore Special Regulations;** <http://www.sailing.org/specialregs>. There are mandatory RORC Prescriptions and recommendations in addition to the Offshore Special Regulations.

The numbers in the left column refer to Offshore Special Regulations.
If you require help with completing this form please contact the RORC:
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The following extracts from the Offshore Special Regulations are particularly important.

1.02	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 their responsibilities in the event of their incapacitation.	
2.03	A yacht may be inspected at any time. If she does not comply with these Special Regulations her entry may be rejected, or she may be subject to protest.	
2.04	All equipment shall: function properly; be regularly checked, cleaned, and serviced; when not in use be stowed in conditions in which deterioration is minimised; be readily accessible; be of a type, size and capacity suitable and adequate for the intended use and size of the boat.	
	Do you ask each crew if they have any medical conditions?	YES / NO
	Do you know how to deal with any special medical problems (e.g. heart disease, asthma) that your crew has?	YES / NO

3.08	Hatches:		
	Does the companionway hatch have a catch that can be locked and unlocked from both above and below deck?		YES / NO
	Are the hatch boards tied to the boat whilst at sea to prevent their loss overboard?		YES / NO
3.09	Cockpits:		
	Can all openings into the hull (e.g. locker lids) be strongly and rigidly secured?		YES / NO
3.14	Pulpits, Stanchions, Lifelines:		
	Note: HMPE (Dyneema/Spectra) is prohibited by World Sailing OSR for Monohulls Cat 1, 2 & 3		
	Are all of your lifelines made of wire? Tensioning lashings shorter than 100mm are permitted.		YES / NO
	Is the pulpit continuous with no gap or dip at the bow? If not does it comply with SR 3.14.1 g)?		YES / NO
	Are your lifelines, pulpit, etc, continuous around the yacht at both levels?		YES / NO
	Are the supports for the lifelines a maximum of 2.20m (7' 2½"), apart including across the transom?		YES / NO
	Is every lifeline taut?		YES / NO
4.04	Jackstays:		
	Owners should consider where crew members must unclip and how this can be kept to a minimum.		
	Do you have Jackstays?		YES / NO
	When were they last checked?	When were they last replaced?	
	Can a crewmember clip on to a pad-eye or jackstay before coming on deck?		YES / NO
3.27	Navigation Lights:		
	What is your main set of Navigation Lights? (Masthead tricolour or bow and stern):		
	Do your main Navigation Lights comply with ColRegs?		YES / NO
	What is your reserve set of Navigation Lights?		
	Are your reserve Navigation Lights at least as powerful as your main set?		YES / NO
	How are your reserve Navigation Lights powered?		
4.15	Emergency Steering:		
	Do you carry a spare tiller?		YES / NO
	When (approx) did you last try the spare/emergency tiller?		
	What method would you use to steer in the event of rudder loss?		
	When (approx) did you last try this?		
4.16	Standing Rigging:		
	What tools do you carry to sever the standing rigging in an emergency?		
	Has this device been tested by you? (e.g. on sample pieces of equal strength)		YES / NO
4.25	Cockpit Knife:		
	Do you carry a strong, sharp knife, sheathed and securely restrained?		YES / NO
4.12	Safety Equipment Location Chart:		
	Where do you display the Safety Equipment Location Chart?		
2.03.2	Heavy Equipment:		
	Are you satisfied that all heavy items are securely stowed to resist a 180° capsize?		YES / NO
3.29	Communication Equipment:		
	Do you carry an AIS Transponder capable of transmitting and receiving for the duration of the race(s) as required by RORC NoR 1.5.6?		YES / NO
	An emergency VHF antenna?		YES / NO
	A waterproof hand-held VHF transceiver?		YES / NO
Cat 1, 2	A masthead antenna not less than 38 cm (15") in length?		YES / NO
3.12	Mast Step:		
	Do you have a keel-stepped mast?		YES / NO
	If so, how is the heel restrained or secured?		

3.21	Drinking Water Tanks & Drinking Water:	
	How much and how do you carry emergency drinking water?	
Cat 1	Is the drinking water supply divided into two compartments?	YES / NO

3.23	Bilge Pumps & Buckets:	
	Are bilge pump handles secured against loss overboard?	
	Can at least one pump be operated with cockpit lockers, hatches and companionways shut?	
Cat 1, 2	Does the boat have at least two manual bilge pumps? (Required for Category 1 & 2 monohulls only)	YES / NO

4.03	Plugs:	
	Do you carry a softwood plug secured at or near every through-hull opening?	
		YES / NO

4.05	Fire Fighting Equipment:	
	How many 2kg dry powder fire extinguishers do you carry?	
	Do you have a fire blanket adjacent to every cooking device with an open flame?	
		YES / NO

4.08	First Aid Manual:	
	Do you carry a First Aid Manual that covers marine medical emergencies?	
	What is the title?	
		YES / NO

4.22	Man Overboard:	
	Do you have a lifebuoy with a self-igniting light and drogue?	
Cat 1, 2	Do you have an additional lifebuoy within reach of the helmsman, ready for use and equipped with a whistle, drogue, light and danbuoy? (Two lifebuoys are required for Categories 1 & 2).	YES / NO
Cat 1, 2	Does at least one lifebuoy contain permanent (e.g. foam) buoyancy?	YES / NO
	Are the lifebuoy(s) marked with the yacht's name and retro-reflective material?	YES / NO
	When did you last practise a Man Overboard Drill?	
	How would you retrieve a Man Overboard from the water?	
Cat 1, 2	What is your means of recording and monitoring a Man Overboard incident within 10 seconds?	
	Do you have a recovery sling? (Mandatory)	YES / NO

4.19	406 MHz EPIRB:	
Cat 1, 2	Do you carry a 406 MHz EPIRB?	YES / NO
	When was the EPIRB Registered?	
	With whom was the EPIRB Registered?	
	What is the Hex ID?	<input type="text"/>

4.20	Liferaft(s):	
	Please send a digital photograph of each liferaft stowed in accordance with regulation 4.20.3 a) ii. SOLAS, ISAF, ORC and hired valise packed liferafts require annual servicing.	
	1 st Liferaft Serial No:	Capacity (No. Persons):
	Canister <input type="checkbox"/> Make:	Date of last service:
	Valise <input type="checkbox"/> Model:	Date of next service:
	What specification is the liferaft (Please tick one):	
	ISO9650 Pack 1 (Over 24h) <input type="checkbox"/>	ISO9650 Pack 2 (Under 24h) <input type="checkbox"/>
	ISAF <input type="checkbox"/>	ORC <input type="checkbox"/>
	SOLAS <input type="checkbox"/>	
	2 nd Liferaft Serial No:	Capacity (No. Persons):
	Canister <input type="checkbox"/> Make:	Date of last service:
	Valise <input type="checkbox"/> Model:	Date of next service:
	What specification is the liferaft (Please tick one):	
	ISO9650 Pack 1 (Over 24h) <input type="checkbox"/>	ISO9650 Pack 2 (Under 24h) <input type="checkbox"/>
	ISAF <input type="checkbox"/>	ORC <input type="checkbox"/>
	SOLAS <input type="checkbox"/>	
	3 rd Liferaft Serial No:	Capacity (No. Persons):
	Canister <input type="checkbox"/> Make:	Date of last service:
	Valise <input type="checkbox"/> Model:	Date of next service:
	What specification is the liferaft (Please tick one):	
	ISO9650 Pack 1 (Over 24h) <input type="checkbox"/>	ISO9650 Pack 2 (Under 24h) <input type="checkbox"/>
	ISAF <input type="checkbox"/>	ORC <input type="checkbox"/>
	SOLAS <input type="checkbox"/>	

4.21	Grab Bags:		
	Do you carry a grab bag on board?		YES / NO
4.23	Flares:		
	Number of SOLAS Flares in date for the whole season:	Red Hand	
		Orange Smoke	
5.01	Lifejackets and Harnesses:		
	How many tethers do you have of 1m or less?		
	How many tethers do you have of 2m or less with a midpoint snaphook?		
	From 2018 all crew must have a tether with a midpoint snaphook		
	How many combined lifejackets and harnesses do you have?		
	Each with a lifting loop, gas inflation system, crotch/thigh straps, spray hood?		YES / NO
	Is each lifejacket clearly marked with the boat or wearers name?		YES / NO
	Is there at least one gas inflatable lifejacket spare cylinder and a spare activation head for each type of lifejacket onboard?		YES / NO
Cat 1, 2	Is there at least one spare lifejacket onboard?		YES / NO
Cat 1	Is there a personal AIS beacon for each member of the crew?		YES / NO
4.07	Flashlights:		
	Do you have a high intensity heavy duty search light immediately available for use on deck capable of prolonged use to search for a person overboard at night or collision avoidance?		YES / NO
	Do you have an additional floating waterproof torch which can be thrown into the sea as a marker?		YES / NO
	In addition, does each crew member carry their own waterproof torch/light at night?		YES / NO
4.26	Storm & Heavy Weather Sails:		
	Do you carry a heavy weather jib?		YES / NO
Cat 1, 2	Do you carry a storm jib?		YES / NO
	Are storm sails of a highly visible colour?		YES / NO
	How can the storm and heavy weather jibs be attached to a forestay (other than by luff groove?)		
	Both a heavy weather jib and a storm jib are required for Categories 1 and 2.		
	Do you have a rotating wing mast?		YES / NO
	Do you have a trysail? (Not required for Category 3 if the mainsail can be reefed by 40%)		YES / NO
	Does your mainsail have reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40%		YES / NO
	Does it have correct sail letters/numbers?		YES / NO
4.06	Anchors:		
	How many anchors do you have?		
	Can they be assembled and be ready for deployment within 5 minutes?		YES / NO
Any other information (e.g. Equipment to be bought to comply with OSR)			