

**Prescriptions of the Fédération Française de Voile (FFVoile)  
Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028**

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**Prescription 1**

**FFVoile Prescription to RRS 25.1 (Notice of race, sailing instructions and signals)**

For events graded 4 and 5, standard notices of race and sailing instructions including the specificities of the event shall be used. Events graded 4 may have dispensation for such requirement, after receipt of FFVoile approval, received before the notice of race has been published. For events graded 5, posting of sailing instructions will be considered as meeting the requirements of RRS 25.1 application. These standard documents can be downloaded on the "Arbitrage" website of FFVoile. <https://arbitrage.ffvoile.fr>

**Prescription 2**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 60.5(d) (Decisions on protests concerning class rules)**

The protest committee may ask the parties to the protest, prior to checking procedures, a deposit covering the cost of checking arising from a protest concerning class rules.

**Prescription 3**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 65.1 (Legal liability)**

Any question or request related to legal liability arising from an incident occurred while a boat was bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing depends on the appropriate courts and cannot be examined and dealt by a protest committee. A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that such action, admit legal liability.

**Prescription 4**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 70.3(b) (Appeals and requests to a national authority)**

The denial of the right of appeal is subject to the written approval of the FFVoile, received at least 2 months before the event. This approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

**Prescription 5**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 76.1 (Exclusion of boats or competitors)**

An organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary reason.

**Prescription 6**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 78.1 (Compliance with class rules; certificates)**

The boat's owner or other person in charge shall, under his sole responsibility, make sure moreover that his boat complies with the equipment and security rules required by the laws, by-laws and regulations of the Administration.

**Prescription 7**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 86.3 (Changes to the racing rules)**

An organizing authority wishing to change a rule listed in RRS 86.1(a) in order to develop or test new rules shall first submit the changes to the FFVoile, in order to obtain its written approval and shall report the results to FFVoile after the event. Such approval shall be mentioned in the notice of race and in the sailing instructions and shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

**Prescription 8**

**(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 88.2 (Changes or deletions to National prescriptions)**

Prescriptions of the FFVoile shall not be changed or deleted in the notice of race and sailing instructions, except for events for which an international jury has been appointed. In such case, the prescriptions marked with an asterisk (\*) shall not be changed in the notice of race and sailing instructions. (The official translation of the prescriptions, downloadable on "Arbitrage" website of FFVoile shall be the only translation used to comply with RRS 90.2(b)).

## **Prescription 9**

### **(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 91(a) (Minimum number of protest committee members)**

The protest committee shall be composed of a minimum number of committee members in accordance with the provisions of the federal regulations of the FFVoile, unless a derogation is granted by the FFVoile

## **Prescription 10**

### **(\* FFVoile Prescription to RRS 91(b) (Appointment of an international jury)**

The appointment of an international jury meeting the requirements of Appendix N is subject to prior written approval of the FFVoile. Such approval shall be posted on the official notice board during the event.

### **FFVoile Prescription to APPENDIX R (Procedures for appeals and requests)**

Appeals shall be sent to: Fédération Française de Voile, jury d'appel - 17 rue Henri Bocquillon, 75015 Paris  
– email: jury.appel@ffvoile.fr, using preferably the appeal form downloadable on the “Arbitrage” website of FFVoile.