



NOTICE OF RACE / NEW CALEDONIA GROUPAMA RACE

DATES: 17 June to 23 June 2018
PLACE: Noumea, New Caledonia

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: Yacht Club Cercle Nautique Calédonien - BP 235 - 98845 Nouméa Cedex

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I. RULES

The regatta will be governed by:

- 1.1 The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2 Offshore Special Régulation Category 3 plus life raft
- 1.3 ORC class rules
- 1.4 IRC class rules, part A, B and C
- 1.5 Offshore Multihull Rule (OMR) Multi 2000 rules
- 1.6 Between sunset and sunrise, when a boat cannot determine with certainty what tack the other boat is on, she shall keep clear of that boat. Competitors are reminded that part of the definition of "room" in the RRS includes taking into account the existing conditions (including visibility).

Nothing in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions relieves a boat of her responsibility under civil law to comply with the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea or local regulations.

1.7 In case of conflict in translating, the French text shall prevail.

2. ADVERTISING

The boats will be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (see ISAF Regulation 20) (Places allocated to event sponsors will be specified in a file which will be given to competitors)

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Eligibility of boats

Requirements For All Boats

A boat shall:

- Be single hulled and self-righting or a multihull;
- Have a waterline length not less 8.5 meters ;
- · Have a marine radio VHF that we can heard inside and outside the boat and have a satellite phone
- The following Classes are eligible to participate at the Groupama Race :

For monohulls:

- ORC class (orc club and ORCi)
- And, or IRC class,

For Multihulls

- Multi 2000.
- As well as any other category determined by the Organizing Authority, according to the interest of the participants.
- In any case and under the Organizing Committee, one group or class will be established if there a minimum number of registered boats in order to provide a satisfactory regatta.
- Boats shall state which Class entered at time that you make your registration to the regatta ie before the 17 April 2018.
- Boats with an ORC (club or ORCi), valid certificate for 2018. The following group will be established:



ORC	GPH (sec/mile)
Groupe 0	GPH < 510
Groupe 1	510 <= GPH < 550
Groupe 2	550 <=GPH <590
Groupe 3	590 <=GPH <630
Groupe 4	GPH =>630

The organising authority may alter, amalgamate or divide any group, may reassign boats to other groups to equalise the groups and may add group as required. The organising authority may cancel any group if fewer than three entries have been received by the closing date. In this event, boats that have entered will have the option of transferring to another group (if eligible) or having their entry fee refunded. The Race Committee's decision shall be final and not be subject to requests for redress. This alters RRS 62.1(a)

For IRC Boats with an IRC valid certificate for 2018 and under Organizing authority's criteria and depending on the entered yachts the fleet may divided in group, these will be established in the sailing instructions.

3.2 Eligibility of crew

- The minimum number of crew on any yacht shall be 4.
- The minimum age of the crew shall be sixteen (16) years.
- At least 30% of the crew including the skipper shall have completed at Sea survival Certificate World Sailing approved. Copies
 of the crew members current certificates shall be provided.
- At least 30% (rounded up) of the crew including the skipper & or sailing master shall have completed at least a category 3 race or an equivalent passage.
- At least one crew members on the boat shall have a Senior First Aid Certificate or equivalent or higher qualification.
- All crew shall have a Personal Location Beacon Each overseas competitor shall present :
 - A valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.5 million Euro
 - A certificate proving he/she is a member of a national authority member of World Sailing.

3.3 Entries:

Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to Cercle Nautique Calédonien no later than 17 April 2018.

Bank transfer is allowed. Our bank details are :

3.4 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of OA.

3.5 A valid measurement Certificate must be sent before the 13 of June. Any modification will be accepted after except as a result of a claim or to

correct an administrative error (coming from the Organization or the authority of handicap system).

3.6 Groups will be established definitively the 16 June 2018.





4. FEE

The fees for all class (ORC, IRC, Multi) are as follows:

* 30% add on if registration received after the 1 $^{\mbox{\tiny er}}$ mars 2018

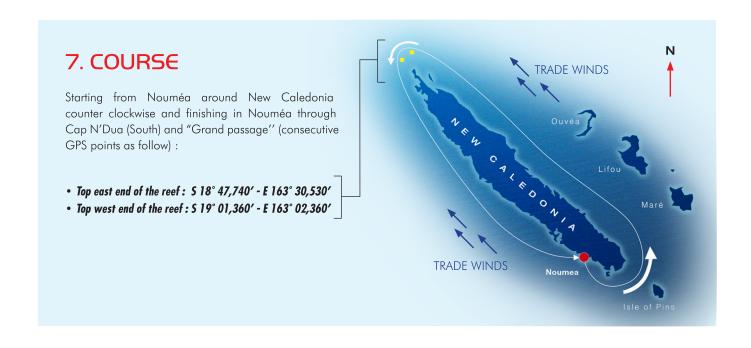
LOA	Fee ·	Fee included :
> ou = 16m	80 000 F ^{cfp*}	The tracking beacon, An event tee-shirt per each crew,
14 <= LOA <16m	70 000 F ^{cfp} *	Stickers and flag event to put on boat,3G card to share the onboard video
12 <= LOA <14m	50 000 F ^{cfp} *	L
10 <= LOA <12m	40 000 F ^{cfp} *	
8,5 <= LOA <10m	35 000 F ^{cfp} *	

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Entries close at 1600 hours, Thuesday 17 April 2018
- **5.2** A valid measurement certificate must have received **before 13 of June 2018**
- 5.3 Briefing will be held on Saturday 16 of June 2018 at 4pm at CNC yacht club
- 5.4 The scheduled time for the warning signal is Sunday 17 of June 2018 at 10am.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions and any appendix will be available on briefing that will be held on the **16 of June** at the Cercle Nautique Calédonien. Sailing Instructions may be available before this time





8. CLASSES

- Monohull line Honours
- Multihull line Honours
- Multihull multi 2000 overall and by group
- Monohull ORC overall and by group
- Monohull IRC overall and if needed by group

9. MEDIA IMAGES and AUDIO

All boats shall be provided with Iridium Radio Communications (satphone). Communication amongst yachts will be permitted at hours stated in Sailing Instructions.

IO. PRIZES

Prizes will be as follows:

- 1st, Monohull GROUPAMA line Honours prize
- 1st, Multihull GROUPAMA line Honours prize
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Monohull ORC 2018 GROUPAMA offshore overall prize
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Monohull ORC 2018 GROUPAMA offshore by group prize
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Monohull IRC 2018 GROUPAMA offshore overall prize and if needed by group
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Multihull 2000 2018 GROUPAMA offshore overall prize

II. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (Rule 4, Decision to Race). The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

12. INSURANCE

For the event each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.5 million Euro or equivalent.

13. FURTHER INFORMATION

Berthing is provided by the organizing authority from one week before the beginning of the regatta and one week after the end of the event.

A regatta sail to Noumea start the 2nd of June from Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne and Auckland. Refer to the different clubs website to have more information: www.cyca.co.au (cruising Yacht Club of Australia); www.rqys.com.au (Royal Queensland Yacht Sqaudron); www. rayc.co.nz (Royal Akarana Yacht Club)

For further information please contact

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM

Please register my interest to complete in the GROUPAMA RACE 2018.

Design: LOA:					
Class: ORC IRC Multi 2000 Other:					
Skipper / Owner: Email :					
Or postal address :					
Phone number :					
I would like to receive any updates and information as it becomes available regarding the Groupama race 2018					
I may interested to have a marina birth from to					

Please return this form before the 17 April 2018* to:



Cercle Nautique Calédonien BP 235 - 98 845 Nouméa cedex New Caledonia



Ou par email : contact@groupamarace.nc



Ou par Fax : (687) 26.28.38

*Entree close on the 17 of April but 30% add on the entree fee if registration received after the 1st March 2018.