



2026 ORC DH WORLDS

18 - 25 May Scheveningen, Netherlands



Category 3 + Liferaft: Races across open water, most of which is relatively protected or close to shorelines. (OSR 2.01.4)
 The present inspection card is based on World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2024-2025 and do not cover ALL rules of OSR. The full compliance with OSR Category 3 (www.sailing.org) is the sole responsibility of the person in charge and it cannot be limited to the present inspection card (OSR 1.02). The OSR do not replace, but rather supplement, the requirements of governmental authority, or any other rules or regulations (OSR 1.01.2).

Safety Checklist

BOAT

MMSI Number

Skipper Name

MEASURER

DATE

Crew Name

SPARE NAVIGATION LIGHTS

MARINE TRANSCEIVER or VHF + emergency antenna
 when the regular antenna depends upon the mast

HAND-HELD MARINE VHF

AIS TRANSPONDER & GPS

SOFT TAPERED WOOD PLUGS

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS (2 x 2 Kg) + FIRE BLANKET

FLASHLIGHT & SEARCHLIGHT

Minimum IP67 rated of at least 400 Lumens

FIRST AID MANUAL & FIRST AID KIT

FOGHORN / RIGGING CUTTER / KNIFE

RADAR REFLECTOR

CHARTS & COMPASS

PYROTECHNIC SIGNALS

2 orange smokes + 4 red hand flares

BILGE PUMP + handle / 2 BUCKETS with lanyard

2 ANCHORS with suitable combination of CHAIN and ROPE

TETHERS not exceeding 1m or if 2m meters need to have an intermediate self-closing hook + overload indicator

LIFEJACKETS (with crotch / thigh strap / spray hood / light)
 + spare gas bottle or spare lifejacket

GRAB BAG

LIFEBUOY with WHISTLE, LIGHT and DROUGE

HEAVING LINE 15 -25 m floating line

RECOVERY SLING

PULPITS, STANCHIONS and LIFELINES

All lifelines in stainless steel wire, Dyneema is NOT allowed

JACKSTAYS and CLIPPING POINTS

HEAVY WEATHER JIB

STORM TRYSAIL or REEFABLE MAINSAIL

EMERGENCY TILLER

INFLATABLE LIFERAFT

TRAINING OSR 6.01.3 OSR 6.02

At least one crew member shall have undertaken training within the five years before the start of the race in OSR 6.02 Training Topics



STABILITY

OSR reference 3.04 / 3.04.2 b)
Stability in accordance to OSR 3.04
(e.g. ORC Stability Index ≥ 103).

BALLAST OR GENERATOR

OSR reference 2.04.2 / 3.28.2
If ballast or generator exists: must be permanently installed. Heavy items securely fastened.

NAVIGATION LIGHTS

OSR reference 3.27
Navigation lights mounted above sheerline + reserve lights that can be powered independently, spare bulbs (not required for LED).



VHF with MASTHEAD ANTENNA and spare antenna

OSR reference 3.29.5
Marine radio transceiver with an emergency antenna when the regular antenna depends upon the mast. If VHF min power of 25W, and, if it's installed after 31/12/2015, be DSC capable with an assigned MMSI (unique to the boat) & connected to GPS receiver.



HAND-HELD MARINE VHF with VHF stored in the Grab Bag

OSR reference 3.29.1
Hand-held marine VHF transceiver, watertight or with a waterproof cover. **When not in use to be stowed in a grab bag.**



AIS TRANSPONDER & GPS

OSR reference 3.29.7 / 3.29.8 /
AIS Transponder sharing VHF masthead antenna or with a dedicated AIS antenna and a GPS.

AIS shall be active from the first day of equipment inspection until the end of the event.



SOFT TAPERED WOOD PLUGS

OSR reference 4.03
Soft tapered wood plugs attached or adjacent to the appropriate fitting for every through-hull opening.



FIRE EXTINGUISHERS (2X 2Kg) FIRE BLANKET

OSR reference 4.05.1 / 4.05.2
2 fire extinguishers, ≥ 2 kg, dry powder, accessible, different positions. Fire blanket near cooking device of open flame.



FLASHLIGHTS and SEARCH-LIGHTS

OSR reference 4.07
Watertight lights (minimum IP67 rated) with spare batteries and bulbs as follows, or awatertight (minimum IP67 rated) rechargeable LED torch, of at least 400 Lumens. **Stowed in each grab bag.**



FIRST AID MANUAL and FIRST AID KIT

OSR reference 4.08

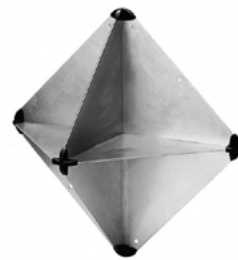
A First Aid Manual and First Aid Kit. The contents and storage of the First Aid Kit shall reflect the likely conditions and duration of the passage, and the number of crewmembers.



FOGHORN / RIGGING CUTTER / STRONG KNIFE

OSR reference 4.09 / 4.16.2 / 4.25

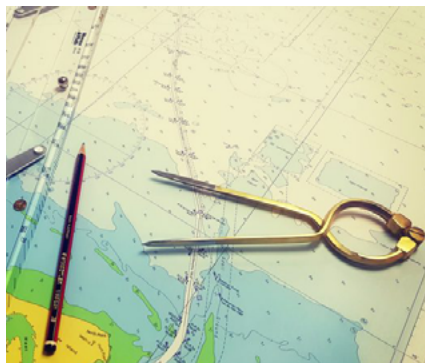
Foghorn. Rigging cutter. Knife strong, securely restrained, readily accessible from the cockpit.



RADAR REFLECTOR

OSR reference 4.10

Radar reflector: octahedral (with plates circular 12" or rectangular 16") or of min 2m² radar cross-section.



CHARTS & COMPASS

OSR reference 4.11.1 / 3.24

Navigational charts (not solely electronic), and chart plotting equipment.

Permanently installed marine magnetic steering compass, independent of any power supply, correctly adjusted with deviation card.



PYROTECHNIC SIGNALS

OSR reference 4.23

Pyrotechnic signals:

4 red hand flares, 2 orange smokes.



BILGE PUMP

OSR reference 3.23.1 c)

Bilge pump, manual, permanently installed, operable with all cockpit seats. Removable bilge pumps handle retained by lanyard.



BUCKETS

OSR reference 3.23.1 a)

Two strong buckets, each with a lanyard and of at least 9 l (2.4 US Gal) capacity.



ANCHORS

OSR reference 4.06.1

Two unmodified anchors with **suitable combination of chain and rope**, ready for immediate assembly, and ready for deployment within 5 minutes, except for boat less than 8.5m LH there shall be 1 anchor meeting the same criteria.



SAFETY HARNESS AND TETHERS

OSR reference 5.02.1 / 5.02.2 / 5.02.3 / 5.02.5

A harness shall comply with ISO 12401 or equivalent. A tether shall comply with ISO 12401 or equivalent. A tether shall have overload indicator flag embedded in the stitching and be manufactured after 2000.

All of the crew shall have either: a tether not exceeding 1m(3'3") including the length of the hooks, or an intermediate self-closing hook on a 2 m (6'-6") tether. A tether which has been overloaded shall be replaced.



LIFEJACKETS

OSR reference 5.01 / 5.01.2 / 5.01.4

If manufactured before 2012 shall comply with ISO 12402 - 3 (Level 150) or equivalent, including EN 396 or UL 1180, **if inflatable** have a gas inflation system, hand be fitted with a whistle, lifting loop, reflective material automatic/manual gas inflation system, crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS)) **If manufactured after 2011** shall comply with **ISO 12402-3 (Level 150)** and be fitted with a whistle, lifting loop, reflective material automatic/manual gas inflation system, crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS)). All Lifejackets shall have an emergency position indicating light in accordance with either ISO 12402-8 or SOLAS LSA code 2.2.3, be clearly marked with the boat's or wearer's name, have a spray hood in accordance with ISO 12402-8. A boat shall carry at least one gas inflatable lifejacket spare cylinder.



GRAB BAG

OSR references 4.211 / 4.21.4

A grab bag **for each liferaft** shall have inherent flotation, at least 0.1 m² (1 ft²) area of highly visible colour (e.g. dayglo yellow or orange) on the outside, shall be marked with the name of the boat, and shall have a lanyard and clip, with the following minimum contents:

watertight hand-held marine VHF transceiver (**same one from 3.29.1**)

watertight flashlight with spare batteries and bulb (**same one from 4.07**)

3 hand flares in addition to Pyrotechnic signals required by 4.23.1

a watertight strobe light with spare batteries (may be part of the flashlight) (**same one from 4.07**)

knife / whistle.



LIFEBUOY

OSR reference 4.22.3 a)

Lifebuoy near the helmsman with self-igniting light, yacht's name, retro-reflective material and a drogue.



HEAVING LINE

OSR reference 4.22.4

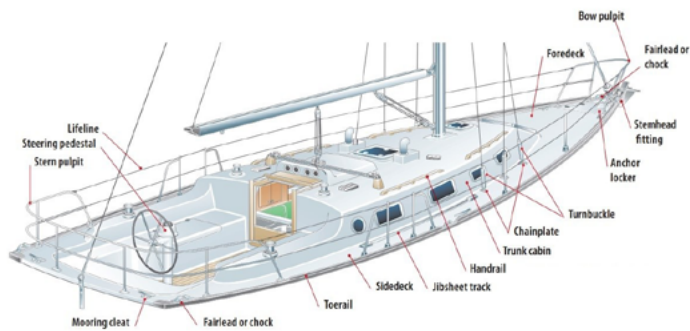
A Heaving line 15-25m long, diameter ≥ 6mm, readily accessible to cockpit.



RECOVERY SLING

OSR references 4.22.5

Recovery sling marked with the boat's or wearer's name g with (a) buoyant line of length no less than the shorter of 4×LOA or 36m, (b) buoyancy section (horseshoe) with ≥ 90N buoyancy and (c) minimum strength capable to hoist a crew member aboard



PULPITS, STANCHIONS and LIFELINES

OSR reference 3.14

Lifelines: Two (for LOA $\geq 8.5\text{m}$) or One (for LOA $< 8.5\text{m}$), uncoated stainless steel wire. A lanyard of synthetic rope may be used with gap not exceeding 100 mm. When a deflecting force of 4 kg is applied to a lifeline at the mid-point of the longest span between supports that are aft of the mast, the deflection shall not exceed: 50 mm (2") for an upper or single lifeline 120 mm (4¾") for an intermediate lifeline. Lifelines permanently supported at intervals of not more than 2.2 m (7'-2 1/2") and not passing outboard of supporting stanchions.



HEAVY WEATHER JIB

OSR reference 4.26.2 / 4.271 / 4.27.3

With an area, in unreefed condition, of 13.5% height of the foretriangle squared, and b) readily available method, independent of a luff groove, to attach to the stay.

STORM TRYSAIL or REEFABLE MAINSAIL

OSR reference 4.26.1 / 4.271 / 4.27.2

Either a storm trysail or Mainsail reefing to reduce the luff by at least 40%
The storm trysail area calculated as:
(0.5 x leech length x shortest distance between tack point and leech).

JACKSTAYS / CLIPPING POINTS

OSR reference 4.04

Jackstays shall be independent on each side of the deck. Clipping points adjacent to the elm, sheets winches and mast.



EMERGENCY TILLER & EMERGENCY STEERING

OSR reference 4.15 / 4.15.2

Emergency tiller capable of being fitted to the rudder stock except when the principal method of steering is by means of an unbreakable metal tiller or there are two methods (tillers, wheels) of controlling a rudder, neither of which shares components with the other except for the rudder stock.

INFLATABLE LIFERAFTS - ISO 9650 Liferrafts can not be stowed below deck!



RIGID CONTAINER LIFERAFT STOWAGE

- a rigid container securely stowed on the working deck, in the cockpit or in an open space

OSR reference 4.20 / 4.20.1 / 4.20.3
One or more inflatable liferafts ISO 9650 with a total capacity to accommodate at least the total number of people on board.

SOFT TYPE LIFERAFT STOWAGE

- if a valise type (soft type bag) securely stowed in a dedicated weather tight locker in the cockpit containing Liferaft and abandon ship equipment only which is readily accessible and opens onto the cockpit or working deck, or transom.