

2024 Amendments to World Sailing Category 3 Monohull
Offshore Special Regulations w/Canadian Prescriptions 2022–2023

3.02.2	Structural Inspection	Prepend “Recommended:”
3.04	Stability	Prepend “Recommended:”
3.18.2	Toilet	Replace word “Permanently” with word “Securely.”
3.19.2	Bunks	Replace word “Permanently” with word “Securely.”
3.20	Cooking Facilities	Replace word “Permanently” with word “Securely.”
3.21.1	Drinking Water Tanks	Replace word “Permanently” with word “Securely.”
3.21.3	Emergency Drinking Water	Prepend “Recommended:”
3.24 b)	Permanently Installed Compass	Altered to recommend a correctly adjusted deviation card.
3.27.1/3.27.2	Navigation Lights	Replace with “shall carry navigation lights that meet Coast Guard/National Safety Authority of the OA requirements mounted so that they will not be obscured by the sails.”
3.28.1	Propulsion Engines	Add “f) A boat shall have a mechanical propulsion system that is ready for immediate use.”
3.29.5	Hand-held marine VHF	Append “This VHF transceiver must be DSC capable.”
3.29.13	AIS	Prepend with “Recommended:” Append “Events may declare a requirement on a course-basis or division basis in their NOR or Event Rules document altering OSR 3.29.13 if there is an expectation of all boats on the course being capable of broadcasting an AIS signal. BC Category 3 events desire to enact an unaltered OSR AIS requirement by 2026.”
4.01.2	Sail Letters & Numbers	Prepend with “Recommended:” Append “Events may elect to enact a rule stating ‘All Boats shall display their official sail numbers on both the port and starboard lifelines or hull while racing. The size of these sail numbers shall be similar to that required by RRS Appendix G1.2.’ in their NoR or Event Rules document altering OSR 4.01.2.”
4.05.2	Fire Fighting Equipment	Replace with “Fire extinguishers that meet Coast Guard/National Safety Authority of the OA requirements for the size of boat.”
4.06.2	Anchors	Replace “2 un-modified anchors” with “1 un-modified anchor.”
4.10.1 c)	Radar Reflector	Append “, or” to c);

		Add “d)	A tubular radar reflector is acceptable if permanently mounted within 15 degrees of vertical.”
4.21 f)	Grab Bags	Prepend “Recommended:”	
4.22.2	GPS Crew Overboard Position	Add “4.22.2 c)	Required: A GPS capable of recording a crew overboard position, within 10 seconds, and monitoring that position.”
4.23	Pyrotechnic Signals	Replace with	“A boat shall carry the number and type of flares required by its national safety authority for day and night requirements at a minimum. They shall not be older than 4 years.”
4.26.1	Storm Trysail/Mainsail Reefing	Prepend “Recommended:”	
5.01.1	Lifejacket	Add “iii	<p>“If manufactured after 2011 comply with UL 1180 and be fitted with a whistle, reflective material and crotch/thigh straps (ride up prevention system (RUPS)).”</p> <p><i>Note: ISO 12402 is not currently approved by Transport Canada.</i></p>
6.01.2	Training	Append	<p>“Note: A Sail Canada accredited (or equivalent) coastal personal survival training course will meet the requirements of OSR 6.01.2.</p> <p><i>For US registered boats, valid certificates from US Sailing "Safety at Sea - Coastal" course (either in-person or online) are acceptable.”</i></p>
6.05.3	Medical Training	Prepend “Recommended:”	

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