

Vendée Globe 2008-2009
Rider n°4 to the Notice of race
14 August 2008

This rider modifies several clauses in the Notice of race issued on 10 October 2006 and several clauses in the rider no. 3 of the Notice of race issued on 30th June 2008.

In order to facilitate the reading of the document:
Modifications are in bold.

Amendment to Rider no. 3

2.1.1.2 Permitted weather forecasts

Now reads :

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To supplement the information made available by SAEM Vendée, each competitor will have the option of acquiring maps, satellite images or files in Grib format either free of charge or for a fee. **The details of these additional acquisitions will be published, by Rider, before 15 September 2008.**

Amendment to Rider no. 3

3. COURSE

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Start off from Les Sables d'Olonne after a race in the bay.

Competitors shall leave:

Cape of Good Hope to port
Cape Leeuwin to port
Cape Horn to port

Antarctic to starboard.

Finish in the bay of Les Sables d'Olonne.

Crossing points or portals must be respected by the competitors.

Definition:

A portal is defined by a number of points of the same latitude, limited at the east and west by two points of different longitude.

Every competitor will at least leave one point of each portal, on the required side.

Modification of the position of the crossing points or portals:

The mandatory crossing points or portals may be modified in the following circumstances

- **If a significant climatic event occurs before or during the race, such as the dispersion of ice due to pack rupture or any other significant event which affects the safety of the race.**
- **If information affecting the safety of the competitors is given by a competitor, ship, plane or satellite radar, or any other source.**

Under these conditions, the Race Direction may inform the competitors of a position change of one or several portals.

This information will be transmitted to the competitors by e-mail via Inmarsat C, B, or F, by VHF via a ship or a competitor, or any other means at its disposal.

- **Before the crossing of the first competitor at the equator in North South direction for a modification of the Atlantic portal South-West of Cape Town.**
- **Before the crossing of the first competitor at the longitude of the most western point of the N portal for a modification of the N+1 portal. In this scheme, the portal N is located west of portal N+1, etc.**

Every competitor will have to confirm receipt of this information.

6.4 Waypoints along the course

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Crossing points and portals on the route of the Vendée Globe 2008

Mark	Name*	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	Leave at:
1	Portal Atlantic	42°00 S	Between 01°00 E and 11°00 E	At least one point at Starboard
2	Cape Good Hope			Port
3	Portal Kerguelen	48°20 S	Between 40°30 E and 50°30 E	At least one point at Starboard
4	Heard	Heard Island		Starboard
5	Portal West Australia	47°00 S	Between 103°00 E and 113°00E	At least one point at Starboard
6	Cape Leewin			Port
7	Portal East Australia	52°00 S	Between 136°00 E and 147°00 E	At least one point at Starboard
8	Portal New Zealand	50°30 S	Between 180°00 and 170°00W	At least one point at Starboard
9	Portal West Pacific	50°30 S	Between 151°00 W and 141°00 W	At least one point at Starboard
10	Portal East Pacific	52°00 S	Between 121°00 W and 110°00 W	At least one point at Starboard
11	Cape Horn			Port
12	Antarctica			Starboard
Finish	Les Sables d'Olonne			

