



# RACE INFORMATION

## OUTRIGGER CANOE – V6

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# 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Pre-registration confirmation is mandatory at the times scheduled by the organization (Tivoli organization):

- Friday, October 3: 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM
- Saturday, October 4: 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

A deposit of €180 per canoe is required at the time of pre-registration confirmation (ONE single check for the crew, payable to Régie Fort Boyard Challenge). The registration fee includes: organizational costs, safety device costs, Saturday evening event, and the event t-shirt.

The organization will refund the registration fee (only the registration amount and excluding additional costs) for the Fort Boyard Challenge only upon presentation of a medical certificate justifying an injury/contraindication to sports practice on the event date.

In case of inability to participate in the events, it is forbidden to transfer your registration to another crew.

Competitor identification is done only via numbered bibs and GPS beacons provided by the organization. VA'A identification is done by a numbered sticker that will be given at the time of registration confirmation, to be affixed to the front of the V6, within the first meter, and on each side.

A supervised equipment storage area at night (on the beach, on either side of the central access ramp) is available to challengers from Friday evening to Sunday inclusive. A trailer park is planned and mandatory in the competitor parking lot (Parking Fort Vauban).

Photographs and films will be taken during the event. By participating, I authorize the organizer to use these photos and films (royalty-free) in which I would appear for the promotion of the event and its partners.

For all information regarding accommodation and other tourist activities available in the area: Rochefort Océan Tourist Board [www.rochefort-ocean.com](http://www.rochefort-ocean.com) - 05 46 99 08 60.

## 2. NOTICE OF RACE

### 2.1. RULES

The competition will be governed by:

- 2.1.1. The current federal regulations, including the Ocean Racing and Va'a regulations and their appendices.
- 2.1.2. The specific rules indicated below.
- 2.1.3. The race instructions and directives from the race director posted on the day of the event and presented at the briefing before each start.
- 2.1.4. Participants undertake under their own responsibility and that of the club president to start and run the Fort Boyard Challenge.
- 2.1.5. Good spirit and "Fair play".

### 2.2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

2.2.1. The competition is open to V6s meeting the definitions of the current regulations of the French Canoe Kayak and Paddle Sports Federation for outrigger competitions.

- 2.2.2. Eligible competitors can register only by completing the online registration form on the website [www.fortboyardchallenge.fr](http://www.fortboyardchallenge.fr). The number of registrants is limited to the first 50 complete applications received.
- 2.2.3. Competitors residing in France must present their valid FFCK license (competition medical certificate) at the time of registration, which will be verified by the organizer, or present a valid medical certificate and be accompanied by parental authorization for minors. Foreign competitors not licensed in France must prove their membership in a National Federation member of the FIC or FIV.
- 2.2.4. Crew composition: crews are composed of 6 to 8 members, 6 main members, and 1 or 2 substitutes (not mandatory). Crews can only participate in the events if the team is complete on the water at the start (6 members).
- 2.2.5. The crew categories are described in Article 8. Each paddler must have a sufficient level of practice, certified by a minimum yellow paddle level, preferably green, or validated by their club president

### 2.3. FEES

Registration fees are :

| Class              | Fees  | Fees from 09/26/2025 |
|--------------------|-------|----------------------|
| V6 (1 substitute)  | 420 € | 440 €                |
| V6 (2 substitutes) | 480 € | 500 €                |
| V6 Youth           | 350 € | 370 €                |

The registration fee includes: organizational costs, safety device costs, Saturday evening event, and the event t-shirt.

## 2.4. SCHEDULING

2.4.1. Registration confirmation: Registration confirmation will take place under the Tivoli organization, Fouras main beach, on Friday, October 3 from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM and Saturday, October 4 from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Briefing: An initial information meeting will be held on Saturday, October 4 under the Tivoli organization. The presence of each captain and helmsman of each competing crew is mandatory at a minimum, with other crew members being able to attend.

2.4.2. Race days: The race schedules will be posted on the official event notice board in the Tivoli organization.

## 3. RACE INSTRUCTIONS

The race instructions, courses, and any appendices will be posted on the official notice board.

## 4. COURSES

The courses are of the "raid" type, each with 25 km, with the start and finish at the same point. Consequently, they may include all types of paces. The final courses to be completed will be presented to the competitors during the official information meetings and posted on the official notice board. Replacement courses are planned depending on the wind strength and direction, up to winds of force 5. A fallback course in Charente is planned for winds up to force 6.

### Start

The start procedures will be specified at each briefing. Unless impossible due to sea conditions, it will be a beach start, by category or all boats simultaneously.

### Finish

If conditions permit, the stopwatch will be stopped on the beach when a crew member crosses the finish line on foot, marked between two flags. The arrival procedures will be specified at the start briefing of each stage. If weather conditions do not allow a beach finish, the finish line will be marked between two buoys.

### Surveillance and assistance on the water

The organization is responsible for the proper conduct of the surveillance of the event on the water and assistance from enough motorized boats. This system does not prevent mutual aid and assistance between boats if necessary, especially in case of a request for assistance from another crew.

## 5. MAXIMUM CONDITIONS

According to the recommendations for organizing outrigger events and the V6 navigation categories, it is specified that the race will be modified, neutralized, or cancelled if the wind is or becomes greater

than 17 knots (force 5 and above) on any part of the course where competitors are or if the navigation conditions are not or no longer acceptable.

The decision on acceptable navigation conditions will be made by the Race Director, who will consider all elements (wind, current, competitors' equipment, etc.) to determine if safety is maintained for all participants and companions.

**NEW: The flotation (rescue) vest is mandatory to participate in the FBC regardless of weather conditions**

## 6. RANKING

The general and category rankings will be established by the cumulative times over the 2 events. The categories are as follows:

- V6 Men (16 years and older)
- V6 Women (16 years and older)
- V6 Mixed (minimum 3 women on board for each race)
- V6 Disabled (minimum 2 people with disabilities on board for each race)
- V6 Youth (21 years maximum in the current year)

## 7. AWARDS

A trophy will be awarded to the first in the general classification (Open). The second and third will each receive various prizes. Depending on the number of registered teams, awards will be given to the first in the category rankings. Prizes may also be awarded to the second and third in these rankings. These trophies will be awarded after the results are established.

## 8. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

The decision to participate in a race or to stay in the race is the sole decision of the competitors, under the responsibility of the crew captain. To this end, the mandatory departure signature constitutes the captain's commitment, after having read the race conditions (briefing), and releases the organization from liability.

## 9. INSURANCE

Competitors must ensure that they are covered by civil liability insurance adapted to the practice of Polynesian outrigger in competition. Foreign competitors not licensed with the FFCK must provide proof of valid civil liability insurance with a minimum coverage of €1.5 million.

## 10. ENVIRONMENT

During this competition, respect the sea and the environment. It is the responsibility of each team leader to ensure the collection of their crew's waste.

## 11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For all additional information: [www.fortboyardchallenge.fr](http://www.fortboyardchallenge.fr)