



Les Voiles de Saint-Tropez 2020 – Saturday, September 26th to Saturday, October 10th

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The Voiles de Saint-Tropez: Stay on course, trim sails accordingly

In agreement with the French Sailing Federation and in accordance with government directives, the Société Nautique de Saint-Tropez confirms the following in terms of organisation for the 2020 edition of the Voiles de Saint-Tropez for modern and classic boats from September 26th to October 10th.

At this stage and taking into account the information available, the organisers are working on a number of options : a “normal” version with a capacity to welcome 2,500 people at the same time, a reduced version with a capacity of 1,000 people, a restricted version with a capacity of 500 and a version closed to the public.

Despite the situation, requests for participation from competitors are higher than last year at the same period, reflecting a readiness to race. *“The signs are that there is a strong demand to participate, which is not surprising in light of the regatta cancellations that have to date marked this season.”* Explains Tony Oller, the Director General of the Société Nautique. *“The popularity of the Voiles is long standing, and each year there is a waiting list which, for logistical and security reasons, we are often unable to accommodate. It is for this reason that the event is “by invitation”. We may have to do the same this year because of the restrictions that will be imposed on us, particularly with regards to foreign boats and crews. The other question concerns the on-shore organisation, receiving competitors and the public, the village festivities, the crew parade and all the entertainments which could, potentially, be restricted”.*

The format of the event will be reviewed monthly

- at the end of May
- end of June
- end of July
- end of August

in order to better specify the conditions for welcoming competitors and the public, as well as ensuring the protection and safety of the staff and volunteers involved in the organisation.

In brief:

The Société Nautique de Saint-Tropez’s team expands

Following the Board of Directors meeting held on Monday, April 27th, the Société Nautique de Saint-Tropez approved the appointment of Pierre Roinson at the helm, in the capacity of President, taking over from Tony Oller – former President – who will, in turn, take-on the position of Director General from May 1st. The new SNST team will thus be well equipped to face the challenges of managing the club and the many events it organises each year, notably the Voiles de Saint-Tropez. The date of the next General Assembly has not yet been fixed.

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