



Briefing note for competitors and coaches of the Vaurien Worlds 2023

Vaurien Worlds 2023 takes place in Le Havre's little harbour. This body of water is part of the area of the Grand Port Maritime HAROPA Le Havre, and is therefore under the control of the Harbor Master's office.

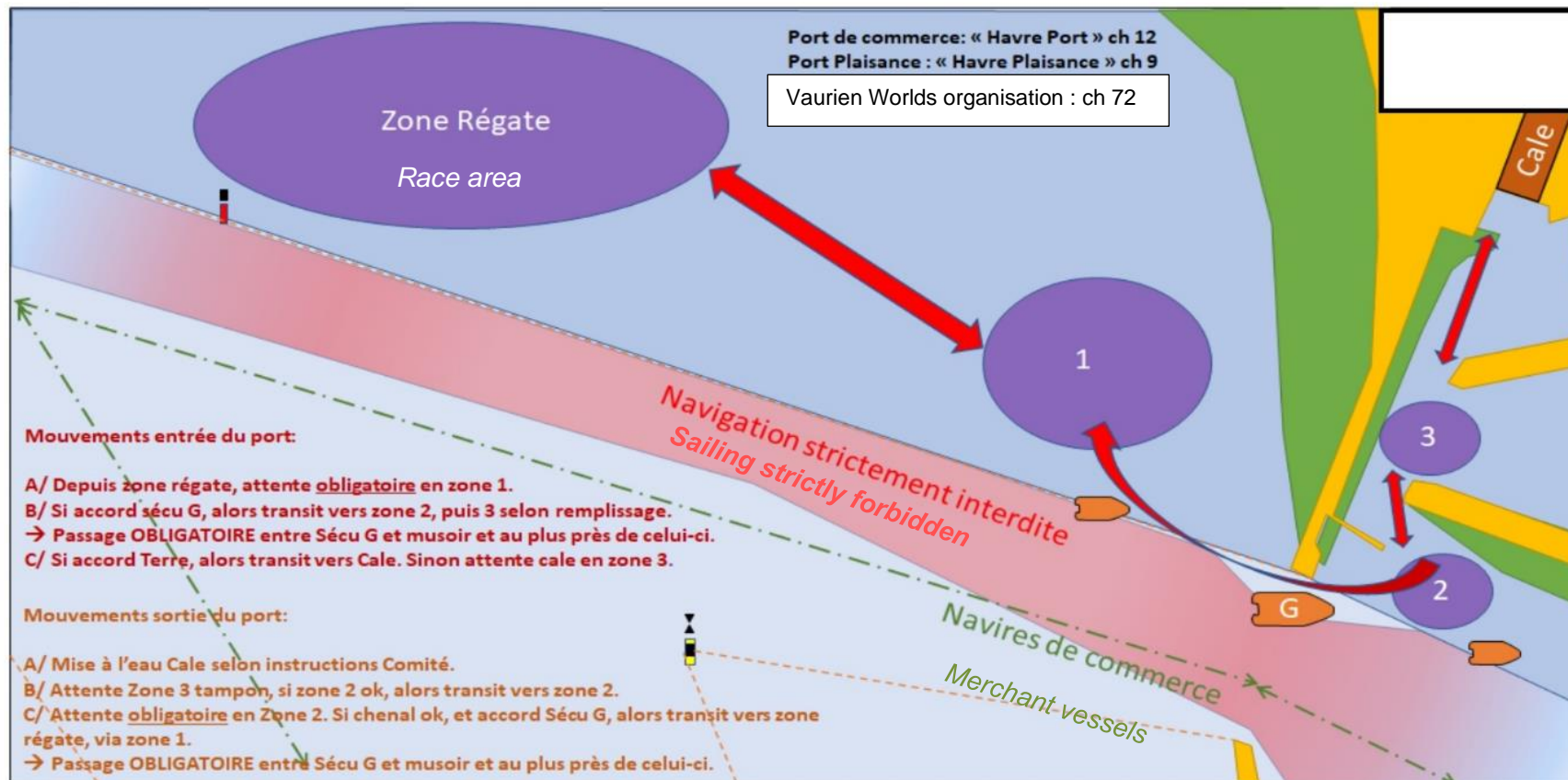
The Port Officer on duty has full authority to accept or refuse the movement of vessels, yachting, fishing or any other activity that could impact the security of the port.

The passage of very large ships by harbour walls and in the channel can be **very impressive** for navigators who are not used to it and generate stress and behavioral errors. Apart from the risk to the competitors, it must be understood that these vessels cannot easily alter their course in the channel, and **it is up to boat owners to keep clear in all circumstances.**

The Harbor Master's Office may at any time prohibit access to the marina to enforce this rule and will not hesitate to block competitors, or even the entire competition if security is involved, or if certain behaviors are deemed doubtful or at risk.

Please respect the following rules during the competition:

- Do not go between harbour walls without explicit authorization from the SECU-G of the Vaurien Worlds 2023.
- Respect any waiting areas before or after harbour walls.
- Never sail in the channel (pay attention to the strong currents expected).
- When going between harbour walls, stay as close as possible to the North wing-wall, and leave the area by the North immediately after crossing.
- If the slightest doubt exists on the ability of a group to pass the harbour walls directly (no windward leg, no wind, current etc..) the coach **MUST** put his group on tow.
- No cluster of towed boats should be carried away by the current across the channel, or form close to the harbour walls.
- No single competitor must transit alone from or to the marina. He must always be accompanied.



Port entry movements:

A/ From the race area, compulsory waiting in zone 1.
B/ If SECU G is ok, then transit to zone 2, then 3 depending on water level.
→ MANDATORY passage between Sécu G and roundhead + remain as close as possible to roundhead
C/ If ashore team is ok, then transit to dock (refer to CALE on drawing). Otherwise remain in zone 3.

Movements out of port:

A/ Launching on dock according to Committee instructions.
B/ Wait in Zone 3 until zone 2 is cleared. Once zone 2 is ok, then transit to zone 2.
C/ Compulsory waiting in Zone 2. If channel cleared, and Sécu G is OK, transit to race area via zone 1. –
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