

Notice of Race

2nd NATIONS - CUP 17th June 2023 Mardorf / Steinhuder Meer – Germany

<http://worlds2023.raceboard.org/>

The following abbreviations shall apply:

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a board. **This changes WCR 60.1(a).**

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing. **This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in [The Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Edition](#) (WCR).
- 1.2. [Raceboard Class Championship Rules](#) (RCCR) will apply as long as they are applicable for team competitions.
- 1.3. No National prescriptions will apply
- 1.4. WCR Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 1.5. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.6. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.7. All competitors under the age of 19 will be required to wear an adequate personal floatation device at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. A personal floatation device shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's. Attention is drawn to WCR Fundamental Rule 1.2.

2. ADVERTISING [NP][DP]

- 2.1. World Sailing Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.
- 2.2. Boards and/or sails may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1. Venue and race office is Beach area. The schedule is as follows:

Schedule Nations Cup			
Saturday	June 17 th	9.00-10.00	Late equipment inspection
		10.00	Nations - Cup – Opening and Skippers meeting
		11.00	Nations - Cup – First warning signal
		16.00	Nations - Cup – Last possible warning signal
		18.00	Nations - Cup – Price Giving Ceremony and Nations Cup Party
Sunday	July 14 th		Travel home

- 3.2. A maximum of 4 races per team may be sailed.
- 3.3. All participants are requested by IWA and the Organizing Authority to attend the Closing Ceremony.
- 3.4. No warning signal will be made after 16.00 hrs.

4. RACE FORMAT

- 4.1. Four (4) races per team are scheduled.
- 4.2. In absence of official international team competition rules, the proven rules of the national German team championship will apply (a qualified translation is available). These are still the same since the first Nations Cup in Warnemünde in 2019.
- 4.3. To allow all nations and their national associations to register a team for this second Nations Cup, the associations are free to register **their national team**, without any age or sex requirements.
Furthermore every country may register **special teams as:**
 - Veteran team (all crew aged 60 or older)
 - Grand Master team (all crew aged 50 or older)
 - Master team (all crew aged 40 or older)
 - Women team
 - Junior team (U23)
 - Mixed team with male/female sailors (in each race the best male and the best female will be scored), so that a maximum of 7 teams per country is allowed.

- 4.4. Each nation team may consist of a maximum of 4 competitors.
- 4.5. If some nations are only represented by one competitor at the Raceboard Worlds in Mardorf, they may register as an exception a continental team or bi-national team for the Nations Cup (e.g. in 2019 the US competitor joined the competitors of Argentina).
- 4.6. The points of the two best placed competitors of each team in each race will be counted for the Nation – Cup scoreboard. For team registered and competing for the “mixed” title, always the best male and best female will be scored in each race.

5. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 5.1. Eligible competitors shall be current members of a National Class Association which is a paid-up member of Raceboard Class Association, or of the IWA. Membership formalities may be completed on site.
- 5.2. National teams composed by eligible competitors shall be registered by their national associations before **11th June 2023** by completing the **entry form provided by the DWSV through the official event website or as printouts at the registration office**. It should be filled completely, signed, scanned and returned to the tmichaelis484@gmail.com and in copy to LDei@gmx.de, if possible before the event. The original shall be handed over during the registration at Mardorf (preferably on June 11th, but latest on June 18th at 18.00 in the race office).
- 5.3. An **entry is only valid with payment of the entry fee** until the given deadlines. For timing reasons, this year only cash/card payment at the registration office is possible.
- 5.4. If a national wants to register further special teams to a later stage, they might do this following the same approach and the given rules and deadlines.
- 5.5. If a team is properly registered with at least 2 competitors until 11th June 2023, it can be extended to up to 4 competitors of the same nationality by written and signed request to be handed in to the race office until 16th June at 18.00. The difference of the entry fee for the additional competitors shall be paid in the race office.
- 5.6. National associations shall appoint one representative team coach for the national team(s), who will act as key contact for the organizer and the race committee. This person shall ensure that each team member completes the on-site registration form. This can be done either together with the registration for the World Championship or later on in the official opening hours of the race office.
- 5.7. Entries received later after **June 11th 2023** may be accepted until 16th June at the discretion of the OA and shall pay the late entry fee as stated in NoR 7.1 at event registration.
- 5.8. A completed **Equipment Registration Form** shall be presented by the close of event registration (see 3.1). If the same equipment will be used as during the worlds no separate form is required.

- 5.9. Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed **Parental Permission Form** (Download over the official Event site or use the provided print-outs available at the Regatta-Office if the parents are on the spot) or provide a signed scan via mail if your parents are not travelling with you (please send it to tmichaelis484@gmail.com).
- 5.10. The following shall be presented by competitors upon registration at the race office:
- Evidence of valid third party insurance
 - Proof of age
 - **Parental Permission form** (for competitors under the age of 18)

6. CLASSIFICATION

Not applicable

7. FEES

7.1. Required Fees are as follows:

Entry fees (EUR) for the Nations Cup per team	Early Bird payment until 12 th June	Late payment after 12 th June
Team with 2 competitors	60 €	80
Team with 3 competitors	90 €	120
Team with 4 competitors	120 €	160

- 7.2. The Entry Fee is non-refundable, except for the regatta or class/event being cancelled by the Organizing Authority.
- 7.3. Entry fees paid at registration can only be paid by card or cash.

8. MEASUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [NP][DP]

- 8.1. An **Equipment Inspection Form** shall be completed and returned to the Event Equipment Inspectors by the close of registration. It will be expected that all Nations Cup participants have participated to the Raceboard Worlds and have registered their equipment already on June 11th. If a competitor has to change any part of the equipment, he/she shall inform the organizer and race office latest until June 16th, and shall agree with them on an appointment for an inspection on June 17th between 9.00 and 10.00.
- 8.2. Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3. Upon completion of registration and until the end of the event, at all times when ashore except when launching and retrieving, all equipment shall be kept in their assigned places at event site. Removal of any equipment from the event site requires prior written approval from the race committee.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTION

The Sailing Instructions will be available at on-site registration. A preliminary version may be posted on the event website <https://worlds2023.raceboard.org>/VENUE

- 9.1. The regatta will be hosted at Steinhuder Meer / Mardorf
- 9.2. The Race Office is located on the Club Yacht-Club Niedersachsen (<https://worlds2023.raceboard.org>/The Material Storage is located on the Beach Area (please refer to <https://worlds2023.raceboard.org/>).
- 9.3. The course area will be shown at <https://worlds2023.raceboard.org/>

10. COURSES

Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1. No additional rules

12. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. Low point system
- 13.2. The points of the two best placed competitors of each team in each race will be counted for the Nation – Cup scoreboard. For team registered and competing for the “mixed” title, always the best male and best female will be scored in each race.
- 13.3. No discards are foreseen.

14. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS [NP][DP]

- 14.1. All support boats shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event Support Team Regulations that will be published in the Sailing Instructions. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 14.2. Coach and support boats shall be insured with valid (and for the racing area suitable) third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 € per incident or the equivalent.
- 14.3. Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need. If the Race Committee displays flag V all support boats shall monitor VHF and comply with requests from the Race Committee and any published Safety Procedures. The VHF channel will be announced in the SI.
- 14.4. All Coach and Support Boat drivers must have safety kill-cords or similar safety devices connected/activated when sailing.
- 14.5. All coach and support crew shall wear personal floating devices at all times being afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their World Sailing Member National Authority in contrasting colour to the background at all times while

afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm and visible from both sides of the boat

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 15.1. [DP] Except in an emergency, a board that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boards.
- 15.2. [DP] Electronic equipment is prohibited with the exception of devices whose sole capability is timing

16. PRIZES

- 16.1. Nations – Cup
 - 16.1.1. The first national team “Overall” and in the division Veteran, Grandmaster, Master, Women, Junior and Mixed shall be known as – ‘**2023 Raceboard Nations – Cup Winner**
 - 16.1.2. Prizes will be awarded to the best three scored nations in each division.

17. [DP] MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 17.1. By participating in an event of the Raceboard Worlds 2023/Yacht Club Niedersachsen competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 17.2. Boards may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment and positioning equipment as specified and supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 17.3. Competitors may be required to be available for interviews at the regatta.

18. Privacy Policy

Reference is made to data protection of personal information and data. Any personal information and data given to the organizers will be used only as follows:

1. All data regarding participating athletes, coaches and their boats will be processed and archived for the purpose of this sporting event.
2. Personal information contains the participant’s real name, date of birth, home club, board type, board number and address data. In particular, results, calculatory and visual analyses, position monitoring and race analyses will be published with reference to the competitors’ names.
3. In order to achieve this, the data will be transferred to our service providers such as, xxxxx and to such governing bodies like World Sailing, Class Associations and DSV. It cannot be ruled out, that your data will be processed outside of the EU. Our service providers and governing bodies have been or will be committed by us, to exclusively use your data for the event and its preparation and post-processing, including ranking lists and global multi event scorecards.
4. The commercial use of your data is prohibited.

5. The use of your data is governed by German law, particularly by the German Data Protection Act (Datenschutzgesetz) and the German Telemedia Act (Telemediengesetz).

19. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY COGNOVITS CLAUSE

- 19.1. The responsibility for the decision to participate in a race or to continue with it is solely with the skipper; to that extent the skipper also accepts full responsibility for the crew. The skipper is responsible for the qualification and the correct nautical conduct of the crew as well as for the suitability and the transport-safe-condition of the registered board. In cases of force majeure or on grounds of administrative orders or for safety reasons, the organizer is entitled to make changes in the realization of the event or to cancel the event. This does not constitute any liability by the organizer towards the participant, if the reasons for the changes or the cancellation do not result from a willful or grossly negligent behavior of the organizer. In case of a violation of obligations that do not constitute primary or material contractual duties (cardinal obligations), the liability of the organizer for financial and property damages incurred by the participant during or in connection with the participation in the event and resulting from a conduct of the organizer, its representatives, servants or agents, is restricted to damages that were caused willfully or grossly negligent. When a violation of cardinal obligations occurs due to minor negligence, the liability of the organizer is limited to foreseeable, typical damages. To the extent that the liability for damages of the organizer is excluded or restricted, the participant also relieves the staff – employees and representatives, agents, servants, sponsors and individuals who provide or drive salvage, safety or rescue vessels or assist with their use from the individual liability for damages, as well as also all other individuals who were instructed to act in connection with the realization of the event.

The effective racing rules of World Sailing, the administrative regulations regatta-sailing and the articles of association of DSV, the class rules as well as the regulations of the invitation to the competition and the sailing instructions are to be complied with and are expressly recognized.

- 19.2. The German law shall prevail.
- 19.3. All participants and crew shall sign the form of disclaimer of liability and copyright at registration.

20. [DP] INSURANCE

Each participating board shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 € per incident or the equivalent.