



2023 RACEBOARD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

11-16.06. 2023

followed by 2nd Nationscup on 17.06.2023

Steinhuder Meer, Germany

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An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event including

RACEBOARD MENS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

RACEBOARD WOMENS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

RACEBOARD UNDER 23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

The Organizing Authority is the Yacht-Club Niedersachsen Hannover e.V. in conjunction with the International Windsurfing Association

Amended 04 January 2023

Amended 03 May 2023

1 RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Fleet Racing Edition (WCR)

1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3 DIVISIONS

3.1 **Championship Gender Divisions (REC)** – Men and Women.

3.2 **Championship Age Divisions (RU23EC)**

3.2.1 A U23 shall be a competitor aged 22 or younger (born 2001 or later).

3.3 Age Sub-Divisions

3.3.1. A Youth shall be a competitor under 19 years of age (born 2005 or later).

3.3.2. A competitor may only enter one age sub-division.

3.3.3 A Master shall be a competitor aged 40 or older (born in 1982 or earlier);

3.3.4 A Grandmaster shall be a competitor aged 50 or older (born in 1972 or earlier);

3.3.5 A Veteran shall be a competitor aged 60 or older (born in 1962 or earlier).

3.3.6 A Super-Veteran shall be a competitor aged 65 or older (born in 1957 or earlier).

3.4 Weight sub-divisions. A Lightweight is a man who weighs less than 82kg; a Heavyweight is a man who weighs more than 78kg. A competitor shall stay within the chosen weight group throughout the regatta to remain eligible for the prize.

3.5 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a sub-division for prizes.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association which is a paid up member of the relevant class association, or of the IWA. Membership formalities may be completed on site.

4.2 Eligible competitors for the Championship may [enter online](#) - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.

4.2.1 An entry is not valid until paid.

4.2.2 Online entry will close on 06.06.2023

4.3 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 those under the age of 18

4.4 Support personnel/coaches shall contact the organizers prior to arrival.

4.5 and the following shall be presented upon registration at the race office:

- Boat Driving Licence (if applicable)
- Evidence of valid third-party insurance

5 ENTRY FEES

5.1 The required entry fee is 220 euro,

5.2 Competitor entry fees paid by **01.03.2023** shall receive a 30 euro discount.

5.3 A fee of 50 euro is required for support personnel and shall be paid onsite.

5.4 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash – Euros.

5.5 Late entries and payments after 06.06.2023 may be surcharged 20 euro.

5.6 Entry fees for the Championship paid by bank transfer to:

Bank Details:

Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association

IBAN: BE16 9671 7092 4874

SWIFTBIC: TRWIBEB1XXX

Please include "RWC" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment to:

iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com

All bank charges are at the expense of the competitor. Sail number and helm's surname shall be included with payment.

6 RACE FORMAT

6.1 There shall be a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.

6.2 U23, Women and Men may race together.

6.3 Group Racing - The Race Committee may decide to divide the fleet into groups. The method of division will be announced and detailed in the Sailing Instruction.

6.4 Three races are required to validate the championship

6.5 **Long Distance Race.** It is the intention of the Race Committee to include a long distance race in the championship race series, which will rank as a championship race and may be discardable. Details to be posted in the Sailing Instructions and on the Official Notice Board.

7 SCHEDULE

June 10 2023	Saturday	12:00-18:00	Training & Registration
June 11 2023	Sunday	10:00-17:00 17:00	Training & Registration Opening ceremony & Warm-up party
June 12 the	Monday	10:00 from 18:00	First possible Start Event to be announced
June 13 the	Tuesday	10:00 from 18:00	First possible Start Event to be announced
June 14 the	Wednesday	10:00 from 18:00	First possible Start Half Time Party
June 15 the	Thursday	10:00 from 18:00	First possible Start Event to be announced
June 16 the	Friday	10:00 15:00 from 16:00 from 18:00	First possible Start Last possible warning signal Prize giving (depending on last start) The winner is -Party (depending on last start)
June 17 the	Saturday	10:00 latest 15:00 latest 17:00	Nations Cup (Associated Team Event) First possible Start Last possible warning signal Prize giving
June 18 the	Sunday		Departure

Every day there will be surprise activities for all the competitors and their friends, partners and families.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form shall be completed and returned to the Event Equipment Inspectors by the close of registration.

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 technical committee.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury may be appointed in accordance with WCR Appendix N.

12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A.

13 Support Boats and Personnel

13.1 All support boats (boats with support persons on board as defined by the RRS) shall be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations or Sailing Instructions. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion;

13.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letters 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;

13.3 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in case of need.

13.4 Support boats may be required to clearly display a flag or stickers provided by the OA with unique identification for that boat.

14 SAFETY

14.1 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for every competitor.

14.2 A personal flotation device shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's.

15 PRIZES

15.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first 3 competitors of a properly constituted division.

15.2 The first Man in the RMWC shall be known as – '2023 Raceboard Men's World Champion.'

15.3 The first Woman in the RWWC shall be known as – ‘2023 Raceboard Women’s World Champion.’

15.4 The first competitor in each gender in the RU23WC shall be known as – ‘2023 Raceboard Under 23 World Champion’.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event’s social functions; Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non-attendance at the prize giving ceremony.

17 RISK STATEMENT

17.1 Rule 3 of the WCR states: “The responsibility for a board’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

17.2 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their board to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

17.3 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their board and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

17.4 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

17.5 Their board and other equipment is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

17.6 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

17.7 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

17.8 The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a board does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

18 INSURANCE

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

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Registration will take place at: Yacht-Club Niedersachsen Hannover e.V, Uferweg 1, 31535 Neustadt a. Rbg. OT Mardorf

20.2 For further information please contact: segelwart@ycn-hannover.de

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE)

Additional information is available on the event website - <https://worlds2023.raceboard.org>