



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – Formula Fin and Foil

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules set out in the [Racing Rules of Sailing \(2025-2028\) - Windsurfing Fleet Racing Edition \(WCR\)](#). In the event of conflict, the Racing Rules of Sailing (2025 2028), with RRS Appendix B shall take precedence.
- 1.2 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.3 In all rules governing this regatta:
 - 1.3.1 [SP] denote a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing (this amends RRS A5).
 - 1.3.2 [NP] denote a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a board. This changes RRS 60.1;
 - 1.3.3 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification.
- 1.4 The arbitration system as described in the “Supplement 1 to SI” will apply.
- 1.5 The second sentence of WCR60.(a)(1) is deleted.

2. [SP] [NP] ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Class and Sponsor stickers may be provided by the local organizing committee and shall be applied as per SI Appendix A.
- 2.2 Event lycras will be provided by the organiser and ***shall be always worn outside any other clothing or equipment*** when afloat and during media interviews ashore.
- 2.3 Class and Sponsor stickers shall not be cut, trimmed, defaced, or altered in any way
- 2.4 Event lycras shall not be cut, trimmed, defaced, or altered in any way.
- 2.5 Penalties:
 - 2.5.1 Failure to comply with SI 2.3 and 2.4 will result in a ***2-point penalty*** without a hearing for the first race sailed on the day.
 - 2.5.2 Application of these penalties shall not result in a board being scored worse than DSQ
 - 2.5.3 If no race is completed on the day of the infringement the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed race in the series or, if there were no races previously completed to the next completed race in the series.

3. [NP] CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 3.1 Competitors may be required to carry cameras on their boards/rigs as specified by the organizer.

4. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB), which will be maintained through the **WhatsApp application**. Competitors shall join the *Worlds 2026 ONB* WhatsApp group using the link provided by the Organizing Authority at the time of registration confirmation.

5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board **at least 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the first race affected**, except that changes affecting the **race schedule** shall be posted **no later than 20:00 on the day before they take effect**.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located at the event's shore base area.
- 6.2 When a signal is displayed over a Class flag it applies to that Class only. **This changes WCR Race Signals;**
- 6.3 When the **AP flag** is displayed ashore, the signal '1 minute' shall be replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'. **This modifies WCR Race Signals.**
- 6.4 [SP] When flag DELTA is displayed together with a Class Flag, accompanied by one sound signal, it means: "The warning signal will not be made less than 30 minutes after this signal." **Windsurfers shall not launch or go afloat before this signal is displayed.**
- 6.5 **Failure to comply** with SI 6.4 will result in a 1-point penalty without a hearing for ALL races sailed on the session. If no race is completed on the day of the infringement the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed races in the series or, if there were no races previously completed to the next completed races in the series.

7. FORMAT OF RACING

- 7.1 The regatta consists of a **single series**.
- 7.2 Classes will race separated as specified in SI 9.1.

8. EVENT SCHEDULE

8.1 The Championship schedule is as follows:

Monday 14 Sep	10.00 – 18.00	Registration.
	17.00	Welcome meeting.
	18:00	Opening Ceremony.
Tuesday 15 Sep to Friday 18 Sep	9:00	Competitors' Meeting
	10.00	First possible warning signal
Saturday 19 Sep	9:00	Competitors' Meeting
	10.00	First possible warning signal
	16:30	Last possible warning signal
	18:30	Prize giving ceremony
Sunday 23 Jun		Departure

8.2 There will be a daily skipper meeting.

8.3 Competitors shall sail no more than **five (5)** races per day, with a maximum of **fifteen (15)** races in the series for the **Formula Fin Class**. Competitors shall sail no more than **six (6)** races per day, with a maximum of **twenty-five (25)** races in the series for the **Formula Foil Class**.

8.4 Three (3) races may be sailed 'back-to-back';

8.5 To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal for at least three minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

8.6 The warning signal for the last race shall not be after 16.30hrs. on September 19th.

8.7 [DP] [NP] When a fleet is sent ashore by AP over H or N over H, all boards in the fleet shall return ashore promptly when they have finished their race or retired.

9. CLASS FLAGS

9.1 Classes flags shall be:

Class	Flag	
Formula Fin	White background with class logo	
Formula Foil	Blue background with class logo	

9.2 The daily race schedule and the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race will be posted on the Official Notice Board and announced at the daily competitors' meeting. (See also SI 5).

10. RACING AREA

10.1 The racing area is defined as an area extending 50 m beyond the course, including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board would normally sail while racing.

10.2 [SP] Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area. This modifies WCR 23.1.

10.3 The racing area will be located in the vicinity of Praia de Santa Mônica, in the northern region of Guarapari.

10.4 **Failure to comply** with SI 10.2 will result in a 1-point penalty without a hearing for the first race sailed on the day. If no race is completed on the day of the infringement the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed race in the series or, if there were no races previously completed to the next completed race in the series.

11. COURSES

11.1 The course or courses to be used are described in **Appendix B**. The diagram shows the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left;

11.2 If a gate is set it may be replaced by a single mark: in this case, it shall be left to port.

11.3 If more than one course option is prescribed for the days racing, no later than one minute before the warning signal the race committee signal vessel shall display the course to be sailed on a white board. **This changes WCR 27.1;**

12. MARKS

Mark 1	Red pyramid buoy
Marks 2s and 3p	Red pyramid buoy
Replacement Marks	Yellow pyramid
Start marks	RC vessels
Finish marks	RC vessel and yellow pyramid mark with a black stripe or RC vessels

13. THE START

13.1 Races will be started using WCR26.1 (RRS B3.26.1) System 1. with the following amendment:

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
3	Class flag	One	Warning signal
2	U or black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Start signal

13.2 The starting line will be defined by the base of the mast with orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end of the start line, and either the course side of a mark or the base of the mast with orange flag on a Race Committee Boat/"dan" buoy at the port end.

13.3 When a green flag is displayed before or together with the warning signal boards shall start on starboard tack.; When a red flag is displayed before or together with the warning signal boards shall start on port tack.;

13.4 A board starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. **This changes WCR A4 and A5.**

13.5 When a board breaks rule 30.3 or 30.4, the race committee will display the sail number(s) on a white board on the back of the race committee signal vessel before the first board has finished that race. Failure to display the sail numbers(s) will not be grounds for redress. This changes WCR 62.1(a).

14. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will as need:
- 14.1.1** Lay a new mark.
 - 14.1.2** Move the finish line.
 - 14.1.3** Move the leeward gates or mark.
- 14.2** When the new mark is laid, the original mark will be removed as soon as practicable.
- 14.3** When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 14.4** Replacement marks are pyramidal yellow buoys with a black horizontal stripe.

15. THE FINISH

- 15.1** The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark, or between two vessels displaying blue flags. **When the LG course is used, the finishing mark shall be left to starboard.** (See also Appendix B - LG).

16. TIME LIMITS, TARGET TIMES & REST PERIOD

- 16.1** The time limits for both classes and target times are as follows:

Class	Time limit	Target time	Finish Window
Formula Fin	40 minutes	18 minutes	20 minutes
Formula Foil	24 minutes	12 minutes	12 minutes

- 16.1** Competitors who fail to finish within the time limit specified in the Finish Window, after the first competitor of their class has sailed the course and finished, shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This modifies **WCR 35, A4 and A5**.
- 16.2** The warning signal for back-to-back races will be made as soon as practicable. However, the minimum interval between the closing of the finishing line and the next warning signal shall be:
- 16.2.1 ten (10) minutes** for the **Formula Fin Class**, and
 - 16.2.2 eight (8) minutes** for the **Formula Foil Class**.
- 16.3** Rest Periods-Ashore. After a series of back-to-back races there shall be a rest period of a minimum of 30 minutes ashore for the last finisher in the last race of that class.

17. PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1** Hearing request forms are available at the event's office and shall be submitted within the appropriate time limit;
- 17.2** The protest time limit shall be **60 minutes** after the last board of **each class** has finished the last race of the day, or after the race committee signals "*no more racing today*" for that class. Protest Time Limits, Hearing Schedules and Hearing Decisions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 17.3** Hearing schedules informing competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses will be posted on the WhatsApp group. Hearing schedules are provisional until clearly marked as **FINAL**, which will occur approximately ten (10) minutes after the end of each division's Protest Time Limit. Arbitration meetings and protest hearings will begin as soon as practicable after being posted. Arbitrations and protests may be heard in any order at the discretion of the Jury. Hearings will be held in the protest room at the event venue or in the meeting area designated at the Hotel Quatro Estações.
- 17.4** Breaches of WCR 77 and rules in the sailing instructions marked [NP] will not be grounds for a protest by a board. **This changes WCR 60.1(a);**

18. SCORING

- 18.1** Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, as amended in SI 18.4 for discards.
- 18.2** A minimum of 3 races shall be completed to validate a championship.
- 18.3** Titles and prizes will be awarded based upon a board's position in the overall ranking and in accordance with the respective Class policies.
- 18.4** A competitor's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score(s) as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Discards</i>					
	1 to 3 races	4 to 6 races	7 to 10 races	11 to 15 races	16 to 20 races	21 to 25 races
Formula Fin	0	1	2	3	-	-
Formula Foil	0	1	2	3	4	5

- 18.5** To request correction of an alleged error in the posted results, a board shall submit a scoring enquiry form, available at the event's office.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Check-Out and Check-In

19.1.1 [SP] Windsurfers shall check-out and check-in by **personally delivering or collecting their identification badge** at the location designated by the Organizing Authority.

19.1.2 [SP] Only the competitor himself/herself may perform the check-out and check-in procedures.

19.1.3 **Failure to comply** with SI 19.1.1 and 19.1.2 will result in a 1-point penalty without a hearing for the first race sailed on the day. If no race is completed on the day of the infringement the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed race in the series or, if there were no races previously completed to the next completed race in the series.

19.2 Not Going Afloat

19.2.1 Competitors **not going afloat for all, or part of the day's racing** shall inform the Race Office **prior to the first start affected**.

19.3 Retirement

19.3.1 A windsurfer that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

19.4 personal flotation device

19.4.1 [SP] Competitors shall, always while afloat, wear an impact vest or a personal flotation device that conforms to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50). Competitors in the Formula Foil Class shall also wear a certified protective impact helmet.

19.4.2 **Failure to comply** with SI 19.4.1 will result in a 1-point penalty without a hearing for each race sailed without the safety devices on the day.

19.5 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct.

20. EQUIPMENT REGISTRATION and REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

20.1 A provided registration form shall be completed by each competitor and submitted before the close of registration at 18:00 on 14 September.

20.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall not be permitted unless approved by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity using the form provided.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

21.1 All support boats may display their national flag.

21.2 Support boats must always be outside course area that boards are racing in except to assist a crew in distress or at the specific request of the race committee.

22. [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

22.1 Rubbish may be placed aboard support and Committee boats.

22.2 Failure to comply with SI 22.1 will result in a 1-point penalty without a hearing for the first race sailed on the day. If no race is completed on the day of the infringement the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed race in the series or, if there were no races previously completed to the next completed race in the series.

23. PRIZES

23.1 Prizes will be awarded as specified in a separate notice.

23.2 All competitors and coaches are required to attend the closing ceremony. Prize winners not attending may forfeit their prize.

24. RISK STATEMENT

24.1 Rule 3 of the WCR: “The responsibility for a board’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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:

24.1.1 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.

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

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

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

24.1.5 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.

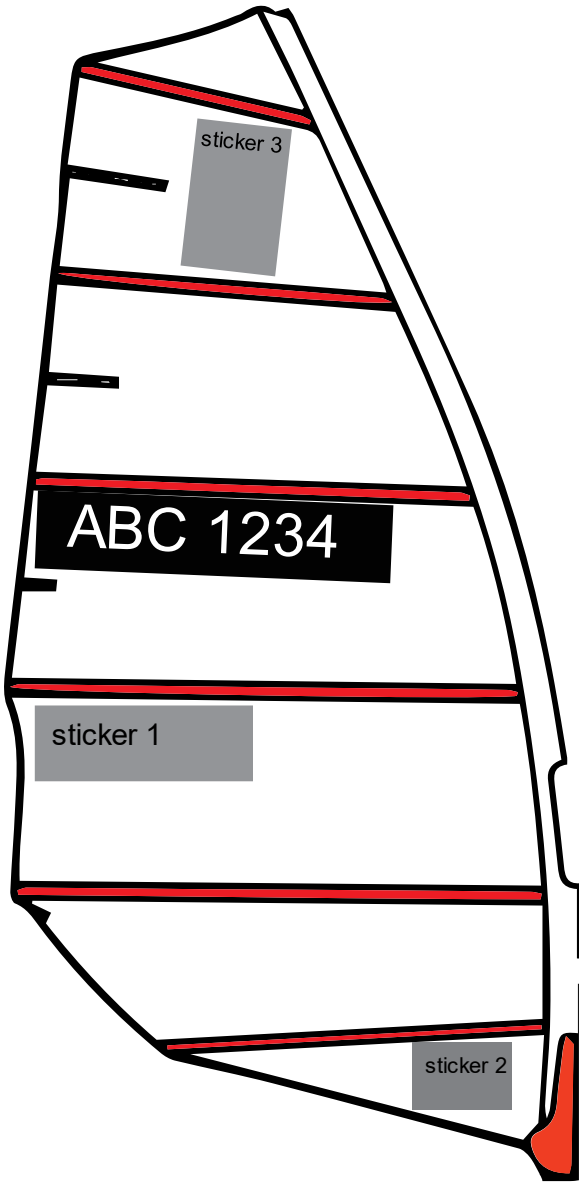
24.1.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

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

25. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

25.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

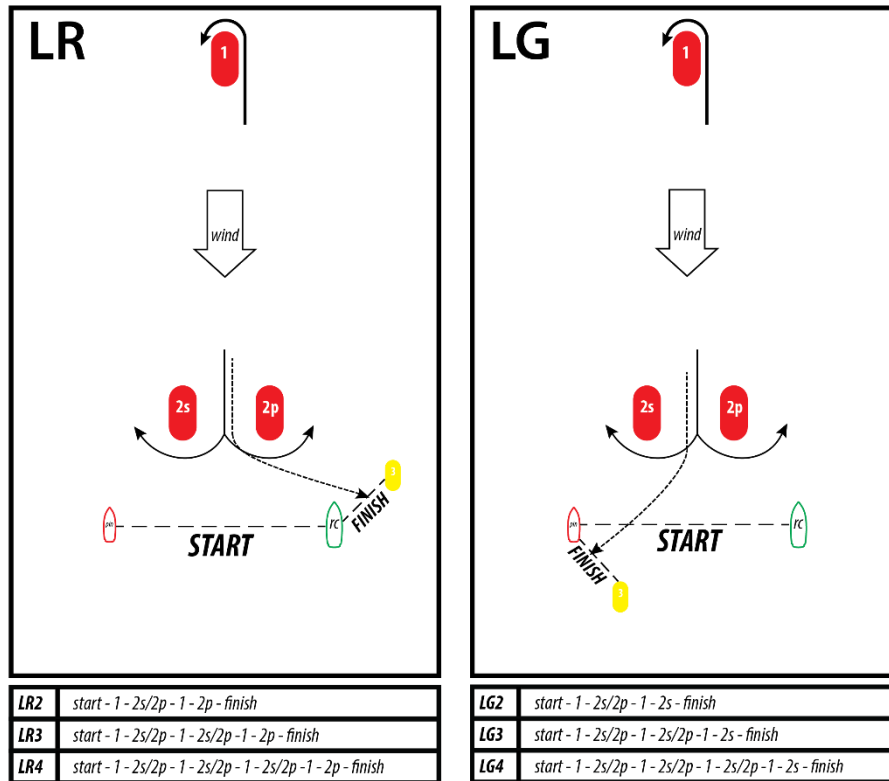
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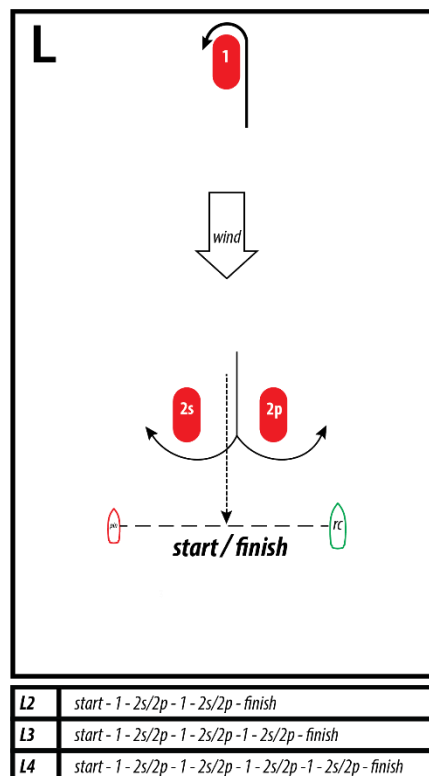
Sticker 1	Event sponsors
Sticker 2	(not in use)
Sticker 3	State Gov

APPENDIX B

Course Illustration – Windward Leeward with reaching finish



Course Illustration – Windward Leeward



Sport Fleet

For the **Sport fleet** (Formula Fin only), **both fleets shall start simultaneously**. Regardless of the course designated for the main fleet, the Sport fleet shall always sail a course containing a single upwind leg, as detailed in the table below.

LR1	start - 1 - 2p - finish
LG1	start - 1 - 2s - finish
L1	start - 1 - 2s/2p - finish

SUPPLEMENT n.1 to SI

POST-RACE PENALTY, ARBITRATION

1. POST-RACE PENALTY

- 1.1** A board that may have broken a rule of WCR Part 2 or rule WCR 31 while racing and has not taken a turns penalty on the water or retired, may take a Post-Race Penalty after she has finished and before the start of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- 1.2** The race score for a board that takes a Post-Race Penalty shall be the score she would have received without that penalty made worse by 30% of the score for DNF, rounded to the nearest whole number (0.5 rounded upwards), but not more than half of the difference between the board's score before applying the penalty and the score for DNF. However, if the board caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.
- 1.3** A board that accepts a Post-Race Penalty shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing for the same incident unless the International Jury concludes that the board caused injury or serious damage, gained a significant advantage in the race or series, or broke a rule other than a rule of WCR Part 2 or rule WCR 31

2. ARBITRATION

- 2.1** Rule WCR 63.1 is changed to add: "The International Jury may appoint an arbitrator to review a protest, who may allow the protest to be withdrawn."
- 2.2** Rules WCR 63.1 and WCR 64.3 are changed to add: "When, during arbitration, a board that, in the opinion of the arbitrator, is at fault has taken an appropriate penalty for the incident on the water or has accepted a Post-Race Penalty, or retired, an arbitrator may, acting for the international jury, offer redress to a board not considered at fault provided that, in the opinion of the arbitrator, the requirements of WCR 62.1(b) are met. If a board accepts redress, her score shall not be changed in a later hearing for the same incident unless the International Jury concludes that she was at fault in the incident."
- 2.3** An arbitration meeting will be held before the hearing for each protest involving a rule of WCR Part 2 or rule WCR 31, provided that:
 - 2.3.1** the arbitrator decides that the protest is appropriate for arbitration, and - the parties to the protest are present
 - 2.3.2** The arbitrator will listen to testimony from the parties. No witnesses will be permitted
 - 2.3.3** The arbitrator will then give one of the following opinions
 - 2.3.3.1** The protest is invalid. The arbitrator may allow the protestor to withdraw the protest

2.3.3.2 No board broke a rule. The arbitrator may allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.

2.3.3.3 One or more boards broke a rule of WCR Part 2 or rule WCR31. Each of those boards may take a PostRace Penalty or retire

If all boards considered to be at fault have taken an appropriate penalty for the incident, the arbitrator may, if appropriate, offer redress to boards not considered to be at fault. If all boards considered to be at fault have taken a penalty and all offers of redress are accepted by all parties, the arbitrator may allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.

2.3.3.4 A hearing by the International Jury is required. The protest cannot be withdrawn without the permission of the International Jury.

2.3.4 If the protest is not withdrawn, the International Jury will schedule a hearing. The arbitrator may be a member of the panel that hears the protest.

2.3.5 If the protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held. Redress given in arbitration may be the subject of a request for redress.