



# WINDSURFING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS BALATONFURED 2017

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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

**[NP]** denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a board.

**[SP]** denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing – [Windsurfing Competition Rules \(WCR\)](#).
- 1.2. No national authority prescription will apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between these Sailing Instructions and any other document governing the event, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. **This changes WCR 63.7.**
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5. **[DP][NP]** Event stickers shall be applied in the correct place according to Regulation 20-Advertising Code; and shall not be cut, trimmed, defaced or altered in any way.
- 1.6. **DII European Championships.** For competitors in this championship see Appendix A of the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.7. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in WCR 70.5
- 1.8. **[DP][NP]** Every competitor will be issued with an Accreditation Card (AC) at event registration. The AC shall be carried with them at all times during the event; and shall be used for the Tally System (see 22. Safety Regulations).

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to the competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the white tent at the event venue.

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board not less than 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of any race on the day that it takes effect, except that any change affecting the schedule of the next day's racing will be posted 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Official Flag Pole located next to the white tent.
- 4.2. When a signal is displayed over a Class flag it applies to that Class only.
- 4.3. When the **AP Flag** is displayed '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 30 minutes'. **This changes WCR Race Signals.**

### 5. RACE SCHEDULE and FORMAT

- 5.1. The daily race schedule and the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race will be as follows:

Sat/Sun 2/3 Sept		Arrival and training
Monday 4 Sept	10:00 – 17:00 19:00	Registration Opening ceremony
Tuesday 5 to Saturday 9 Sept	10:00 11:00	Skippers meeting First possible warning signal
Saturday 9 Sept	17:00 20:00	Last possible warning signal Prize giving /Closing ceremony



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- 5.2. There shall be a maximum 4 races per day; with a maximum in the event of 15 races.
- 5.3. 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 five minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.4. Three (3) races may be sailed "back to back".
- 5.5. When racing back to back the minimum interval between closing of the finishing line and the next warning signal for that class shall be 10 minutes.
- 5.6. After a series of back to back races there shall be a rest period of a minimum of 60 minutes ashore for the last finisher in the last race.
- 5.7. Raceboard Men and Women shall race separately.
- 5.8. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 17:00.
- 5.9. **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. Details to be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## 6. FLAGS

The Class/Division flags shall be:

Class/Division	Flag
Raceboard men	Blue with R logo
Raceboard women	Pink with R logo
DII	Black with white "II" logo

## 7. RACING AREA

- 7.1. Appendix B shows the racing area.
- 7.2. The racing area is an area extending 50 metres beyond the course including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board normally sails while racing.
- 7.3. **[DP]** Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area. **This changes WCR 24.1.**

## 8. COURSES

- 8.1. The course to be used will be published on the ONB, and may be announced at a daily skippers meeting.
- 8.2. 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 Boat shall display the course to be sailed on a white board.

## 9. MARKS

The starting marks, finishing marks and marks of the course and replacement marks will be as described on the course illustration published on the ONB.

## 10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started according to WCR 26 – System 1.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staffs displaying an orange flag on the race committee boats as described on the course illustration.
- 10.3. A board starting later than 4 minutes after her warning signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. **This changes WCR A4 and A5.**
- 10.4. If flag I has been displayed, and any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first *mark* during the last minute before her starting signal, she shall thereafter sail from the course side across an extension to the pre-start side before *starting*. **This changes WCR 30.1.**
- 10.5. When an Individual Recall has been signalled or a board breaks rule 30.3 and 30.4, the Race Committee will display her sail number on the Race Committee Signal Boat



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before the first competitor has finished the race. Failure to display the sail numbers(s) will not be grounds for redress. **This changes WCR 62.1(a).**

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## 12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee boat and nearby laid mark as described on the course illustration.

## 13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1. The target time for the first finisher will be between 25 to 30 minutes.
- 13.2. The time limit for the first board to reach the first mark is 15 minutes.
- 13.3. The time limit for the first board to finish a race is 45 minutes.
- 13.4. If the time limits in SI's #13.2 and #13.3 are exceeded the race shall be abandoned.
- 13.5. Boards failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first finisher in their respective division or group shall be scored DNF except those who are scored DSQ, UFD, BFD, OCS, RET, RDG or DNE. **This changes WCR 35, A4 and A5.**

## 14. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Protest forms are available at the Jury desk located in the Race Office in mobile home 16. Protest and request for redress shall be delivered at the Jury desk within the Protest time limit.
- 14.2. Special attention will be for WCR 61.1 (a) "...She shall inform the Race Committee of her intention to protest as soon as practicable after she *finishes* or retires"
- 14.3. **[DP][NP]** Boards taking a voluntary penalty shall complete the Penalty Acknowledgment Form at the Race Office before the end of the protest time limit.
- 14.4. The Protest Time Limit is 60 minutes after the last board has finished the last race of the day.
- 14.5. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as a witness. Hearings will be held in the protest room located in the registration room next to Panorama Restaurant..
- 14.6. Notices of protest by the Race Committee will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform boards under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.7. 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).**
- 14.8. Penalties for breaches of Sailing Instructions marked **[DP]** and Class Rules are at the discretion of the international Jury and may be less than disqualification if they so decide.
- 14.9. On the last day of the regatta a request for redress based on a internal Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. **This changes WCR 62.2**
- 14.10. **ARBITRATION - Appendix C applies.**

## 15. SCORING

- 15.1. Scoring will be according WCR Appendix A.
- 15.2. Three races are required to validate the event.
- 15.3. Overall rankings will be published for – RB Men, RB Women, and DII.
- 15.4. Division titles and prizes will be awarded based upon the division sailors position in the overall ranking for RB Men, RB Women, and DII.
- 15.5. To request correction of an alleged error in the posted races or series results, a board shall complete a Scoring Enquiry Form available at the Race Office.



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## 16. [DP] REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Technical Committee. Request for substitution shall be made in writing at the first reasonable opportunity. Equipment Replacement Forms are available at the Race Office.

## 17. EQUIPMENT CHANGES AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1. [DP][NP] A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a board can be instructed by the Race Committee or Technical Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 17.2. [DP] When changing to a rig with a different size sail, the crew must obtain the new rig and return the old rig at the same time to the equipment storage area. The equipment storage area shall be ashore in the vicinity of the launching area.

## 18. [NP] OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows:

- Race Committee boats - White Flag with "RC" in black letters
- Protest Committee boat - White Flag with "JURY" in black letters
- Media boats - White flag with "PRESS" in black letters.

## 19. [NP][DP] SUPPORT BOATS

- 19.1. All support persons' boats may display the national 3 letter code in black (min height 120 mm) on a white background which will be clearly visible on the support boat.
- 19.2. Support boats shall stay outside areas where boards are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boards have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment except to assist a crew in distress or at request of the Race Committee.
- 19.3. Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a race official.
- 19.4. A personal flotation device shall be worn by all support boat personal at all time while afloat.
- 19.5. Support boat drivers shall use the kill cord in the recommended manner.
- 19.6. All support boats shall carry a tow rope (minimum 15 metres long and 8 mm thick)

## 20. [DP] [NP] TRASH DISPOSAL

Sailors shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats. **This changes WCR 55.**

## 21. PRIZES

Prizes will be given according the Notice of Race, and as posted on the Official Notice Board

## 22. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 22.1. **Check-out & Check-in: the "Tally System"**.
- 22.2. When going out to race each competitor intending to race shall personally check-out by placing their Accreditation Card on their allocated place on the "Tally Board".
- 22.3. On returning ashore, even after the display of AP/H, AP/A, N/H or N/A when no race has been completed after launching, each competitor shall personally check-in by collecting their Accreditation Card from the "Tally Board", within the protest limit or within 60 minutes of the display of AP/H, AP/A, N/H or N/A.
- 22.4. The "Tally Board" will be located in the white tent.



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### 22.5. [SP] Penalties:

Failure to check-out will result in a 3 points penalty without a hearing for the first race sailed.

Failure to check-in will result in a 3 points penalty without a hearing for the last race sailed.

Application of these penalties shall not result in a board being scored worse than DSQ.

22.6. A competitor that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible and shall complete a Retirement Declaration Form, available from the Race Office, within the protest time limit.

22.7. Competitors not racing for any of the racing days shall inform the Race Office.

22.8. When the Race Committee displays flag V with repetitive sounds, all official and support boats shall monitor the Race Committee VHF channel 72 for instructions and assist in search and rescue operations.

22.9 A personal flotation device shall be worn at all times while afloat.

## APPENDIX A - SPECIAL RULES FOR DII

*This appendix only applies for ID2 Class and only if ID2 class rules change of Racing Rule B4.42 applies .*

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### APPENDIX P of the RRS - SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR RULE B4.42 is changed by deletion and replacement with following:

#### P1 OBSERVERS AND PROCEDURE

**P1.1** The protest committee may appoint observers, including protest committee members, to act in accordance with rule P1.2. A person with a significant *conflict of interest* shall not be appointed as an observer.

**P1.2** An observer appointed under rule P1.1 who sees a board breaking rule B4.42 may penalize her by, as soon as reasonably possible, making a sound signal, pointing a yellow flag at her and hailing her sail number, even if she is no longer *racing*. A board so penalized shall not be penalized a second time under rule B4.42 for the same incident.

#### P2 PENALTIES

##### P2.1 First Penalty

When a board is first penalized under rule P1.2 her penalty shall be a 360°-Turn penalty under rule B.4.44.2. If she fails to take it she shall be disqualified without a hearing.

##### P2.2 Second Penalty

When a board is penalized a second or subsequent time during the regatta, she shall promptly retire. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing and her score shall not be excluded.

##### P2.3 Penalties Near the Finishing Line

If a board is penalized under rule P2.2 and it was not reasonably possible for her to retire before *finishing*, she shall be scored as if she had retired promptly.

## **P3 POSTPONEMENT, GENERAL RECALL OR ABANDONMENT**

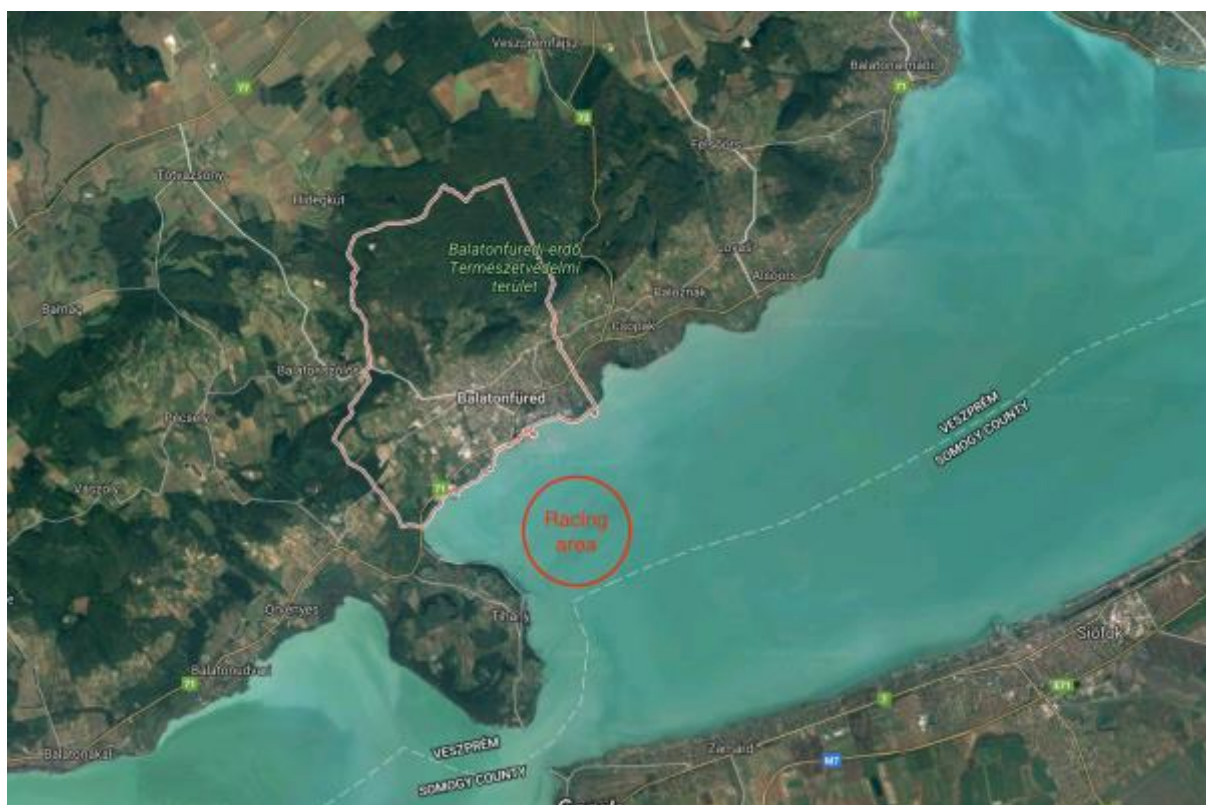
If a board has been penalized under rule P1.2 and the race committee signals a *postponement*, general recall or *abandonment*, the penalty is cancelled.

## **P4 REDRESS LIMITATION**

A board shall not be given redress for an action by a member of the protest committee or its designated observer under rule P1.2 unless the action was improper due to a failure to take into account a race committee signal or a class rule.

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## **APPENDIX B – RACING AREA**



## **APPENDIX C - ARBITRATION**

### **1. POST-RACE PENALTY**

1.1. A board that may have broken a rule of Part 2 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.



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1.3. Any 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 Part 2

## 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. Rule WCR64.2 is changed to add: "When, during arbitration, a board found to be at fault has taken an appropriate penalty on the water or has accepted a Post-Race Penalty, an arbitrator may offer redress to a board not at fault if rule WCR62.1((b) applies. 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 protest hearing for each protest involving a rule of Part 2, provided that:

- 2.3.1. the arbitrator decides that the protest is appropriate for arbitration,
- 2.3.2. the parties to the protest are present,
- 2.3.3. the parties agree that the protest is valid, and
- 2.3.4. the parties agree to proceed with arbitration.

2.4. The arbitrator will listen to testimony from the parties. No witnesses will be permitted.

2.5. The arbitrator will then give one of the following opinions:

2.5.1. The protest is invalid. The arbitrator will offer the protestor the option to withdraw the protest.

2.5.2. No board broke a rule. The arbitrator will offer the protestor the option to withdraw the protest.

2.5.3. One or more boards broke a rule of Part 2. The arbitrator will offer each of those boards the option to accept a Post-Race Penalty, or to retire. If a board accepts a penalty the arbitrator will, if appropriate, offer redress to boards not at fault. A board may refuse to accept the penalty or redress she is offered, or refuse a decision not to offer redress. The protest may not then be withdrawn without the permission of the International Jury. If all offers of a penalty or redress are accepted, the arbitrator will give the protestor an opinion about whether the protest committee would be likely to assign any additional penalties. The arbitrator will offer the protestor the option to withdraw the protest.

2.5.4. A protest hearing by the International Jury is required, the protest may not be withdrawn without the permission of the International Jury.

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

2.7. A board that agreed to arbitration and has not refused an offer of a Post-Race penalty shall not be penalized more than the Post-Race Penalty 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 Part 2.

2.8. If the protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held. Arbitration cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal.