



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 2018 CANCUN NORTH AMERICAN WINDSURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018 RS:X NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018 TECHNO 293 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018 TECHNO 293 PLUS NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

**23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018**      **Club de Vela Puerto Cancún, Quintana Roo, Mexico**

**[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. **This changes WCR 60.1.**

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

#### **1**      **RULES**

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- 1.1 The events will be governed by the rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Competition Rules (**WCR**).
- 1.2 National prescriptions will not apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

#### **2**      **[DP] [NP] ADVERTISING AND ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION**

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Event lycras shall not be cut, trimmed, defaced, or altered in any way.

#### **3**      **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

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Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the race office.

#### **4**      **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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Any change to the SIs will be posted at least 60 minutes before the scheduled start of racing on the day that it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted not later than 120 minutes after the end of the last race of the previous day to which it takes effect.

#### **5**      **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

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- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located outside the race office.

- 5.2 When a signal is displayed over a class/division flag, the signal applies only to that class/division.
- 5.3 **[DP] [NP]** When a class/division flag is displayed (one sound signal) that class/division shall launch and sail to the race area. The warning signal for that class/division will be made not less than 20 minutes after the class/division flag is raised.

**Competitors shall not go afloat until instructed to do so.**

## **6 RACE FORMAT**

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- 6.1 There will be a maximum 3 races per day, in a maximum 12 race series.
- 6.2 The T293, T293 Plus, RS:X Men (9.5m<sup>2</sup> sail), RS:X Women & Youth (8.5m<sup>2</sup> sail) shall start separately.
- 6.3 3 races are required to validate the event for each division.

## **7 SCHEDULE**

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Date	Time	Event
23 May (Wednesday)	10:00 - 14:00 15:00	Registration Practice Race
24 May (Thursday)	10:00 11:00	Coaches and skippers meeting First possible warning signal
25 May (Friday) to 27 May (Sunday)	10:00	First possible warning signal
27 May (Sunday)	16:00 19:00	Last possible warning signal Prize Giving Ceremony

- 7.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 7.3 To alert competitors that a race or sequence of races will shortly begin, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least 5 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 7.4 The intention of the Race Committee is that races shall be run "back to back". Three races may be sailed back-to-back.

## **8 CLASS/DIVISION FLAGS**

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The class/division flags will be:  
 T293 – yellow with T293 logo  
 T293 Plus – green with T293 logo  
 RS:X Men – white with green stripe and RS:X logo  
 RS:X Women & Youth - white with red stripe and RS:X logo

## **9 RACING AREA**

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- 9.1 The racing area is defined as an area extending 50m beyond the entire course in which a competitor would normally sail while racing and is located in the waters of the Caribbean Sea, in front of Puerto Cancún
- 9.2 **[DP] [NP]** Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.

## **10 THE COURSES**

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- 10.1 Appendix A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.1.1 The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board, with course code in black letters, on the starting (signal boat) boat no later than 1 minute before the warning signal.

## 11 MARKS

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11.1 Marks of the course and start/finish marks will be as follows:

Marks 1, 2a, 2b, 2, 3, 4, 5	New Mark	Start	Finish
Orange tetrahedron	Yellow tetrahedron	A race committee boat and a yellow tetrahedron	A race committee boat and a yellow tetrahedron

## 12 THE START

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- 12.1 Course races will be started by using **WCR26** – System 1.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the pin end buoy.
- 12.3 **[DP] [NP]** Competitors whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 12.4 A competitor starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. **This changes WCR A4 and A5.**
- 12.5 When conditions are unfavourable, the race committee signal boat may hold its positions by the use of engines. It will not be grounds for redress. **This changes WCR 62.1(a).**
- 12.6 When an individual recall has been signalled, or a board breaks WCR 30.3 and 30.4, the race committee will display her sail number on the race committee signal boat before the first competitor has finished that race. Failure to display the sail number(s) will not be grounds for redress. **This changes WCR 62.1(a).**

## 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new yellow tetrahedral 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.

## 14 SHORTENING COURSE

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During a course race, the race committee may shorten the course according to WCR 32.

## 15 THE FINISH

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- 15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the pin end buoy.
- 15.2 **[DP] [NP]** After finishing, a board shall immediately clear the finishing line and marks, and avoid boards still racing.
- 15.2 When conditions are unfavourable, the finishing line race committee boat may hold its position by use of engines. It will not be grounds for redress. **This changes WCR 62.1(a).**

## 16 PENALTY SYSTEM

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- 16.1 **[SP]** Penalties for breaches of SI 20.3: Failure to Sign-Out will result in 1 point penalty for the next race completed. Failure to Sign-In will result in 1 point penalty for the last race completed. If only one race is completed, failure to comply with this SI will incur only one 1 point penalty.
- 16.2 The penalties shall apply as follows:
- 16.3.1 They will be applied without a hearing. **This changes WCR 63.1.**
- 16.3.2. The scores of other competitors shall not be changed.
- 16.3.3. A competitor shall not be scored worse than a disqualified competitor.
- 16.3.4. They will be posted on the official notice board 30 minutes after protest time ends.

## 17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

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17.1 Time limits and target times are in minutes for divisions and as follows:

	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
COURSE RACE	40	12	15	20

17.2 Competitors failing to finish a course race within the time stated in the finish window, after the first competitor in that division sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). **This changes WCR 35, A4 and A5.**

17.3 A race will be abandoned if either of the time limits is exceeded. **This changes WCR 35.**

## 18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

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18.1 **Arbitration System** - will be used as specified in WCR Appendix T.

18.2 Protest Forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

18.3 For each division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last competitor of her division has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

18.4 Hearing schedules, to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as a witness, will be posted on the Jury Notice Board as soon as protests are received at the jury desk. Arbitration hearings and protest hearings will start as soon as practical after being posted. A Jury member will attempt to call the parties to a hearing, however failure to do so, or a sailor's failure to hear the announcement are not grounds for redress. This changes WCR 62.1 (a). Arbitrations and Protests may be heard in any order at the Jury's discretion. Hearings will be held in the protest room or in the area designated for arbitration hearings.

18.5 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or jury will be posted to inform competitors under WCR 61.1 (b).

18.6 Breaches of WCR 77 and rules in the SI's marked **[NP]** will not be grounds for a protest by a competitor. **This changes WCR 60.1 (a).** Penalties for breaches marked **[DP]** are at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification if they so decide.

18.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from the International Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. **This changes WCR 62.2.**

18.8 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in WCR 70.5.

## 19 SCORING

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19.1 The scoring will be in accordance with **WCR Appendix A.**

19.2 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a competitor may complete a Scoring Review Form available at the race office.

## 20 SAFETY REGULATIONS

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- 20.1 **[DP] [NP]** A competitor that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible and shall complete a Retirement Declaration Form, available at the race office within the protest time limit.
- 20.2 **[DP] [NP]** Competitors not racing for any of the racing days shall inform the race office.
- 20.3 **[SP]** The **Safety System** (Sign OUT/Sign IN) is in force at all times:
- 20.3.1 When going out to race, each competitor intending to race shall personally sign against their name and/or sail number.
- 20.3.2 On returning ashore, each competitor shall personally sign, against their name and/or sail number, within the protest time limit.
- 20.3.3 Sign-out and Sign-in lists will be provided by the race committee at the beach in front of the race office.

## 21 **[DP] [NP]** REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

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- 21.1 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the championship equipment inspector.
- 21.2 **Replacement ashore:** Requests for substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall be made in writing on a form available at the race office and delivered there for consideration. Any request shall be made at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 21.3 **Replacement afloat:** When an item of equipment is damaged or lost shortly before a race and is replaced, the competitor shall notify the technical committee or race committee before the warning signal. As soon as practicable after coming ashore and within the protest time limit, the competitor shall comply with SIs 21.2 and the replaced item shall be presented to the Technical Committee.

## 22 **[NP]** OFFICIAL BOATS

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- 22.1 Race Committee, Technical Committee & Safety boats will display a white flag with letters CR in black.
- 22.2 The International Jury boat will display a white flag with the word JURADO in black.
- 22.3 The Media boat will display a white flag with the word MEDIA in black.

## 23 SUPPORT BOATS

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- 23.1 Support boats shall be registered with Organizer at the race office and shall be required to comply with local legislation.
- 23.2 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boards are racing from the time of starting sequence until all boards have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## 24 **[DP] [NP]** TRASH DISPOSAL

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Competitors shall not put trash into the water. Trash may be placed aboard support boats and race committee boats.

**25 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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- 25.1 While on the water, a competitor shall not carry equipment capable of making radio transmissions or receiving radio communications, except for equipment provided by the organizing authority. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 25.2 For purposes of safety, coaches may monitor the race committee working channel, but cannot transmit on this channel except in the case of an emergency.

**26 PRIZES**

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Prizes will be awarded according to the NoR.

**27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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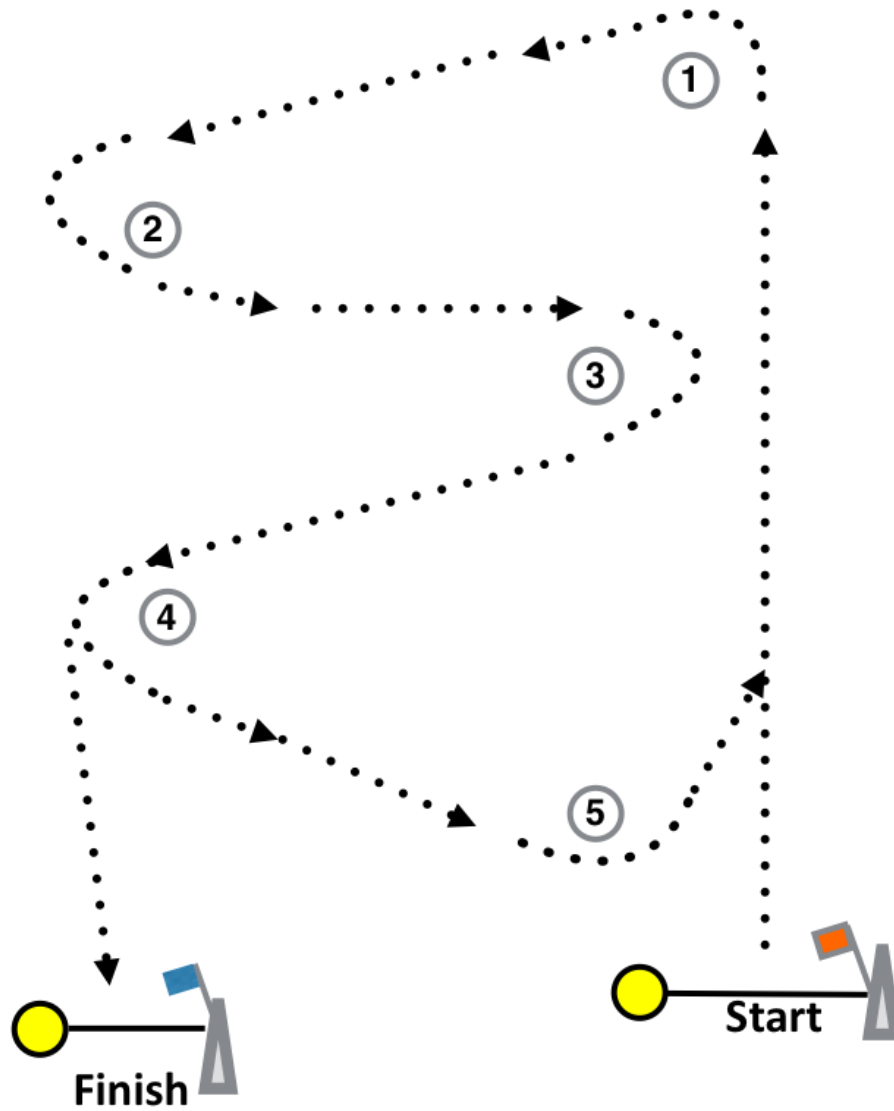
Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WCR 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

**28 INSURANCE**

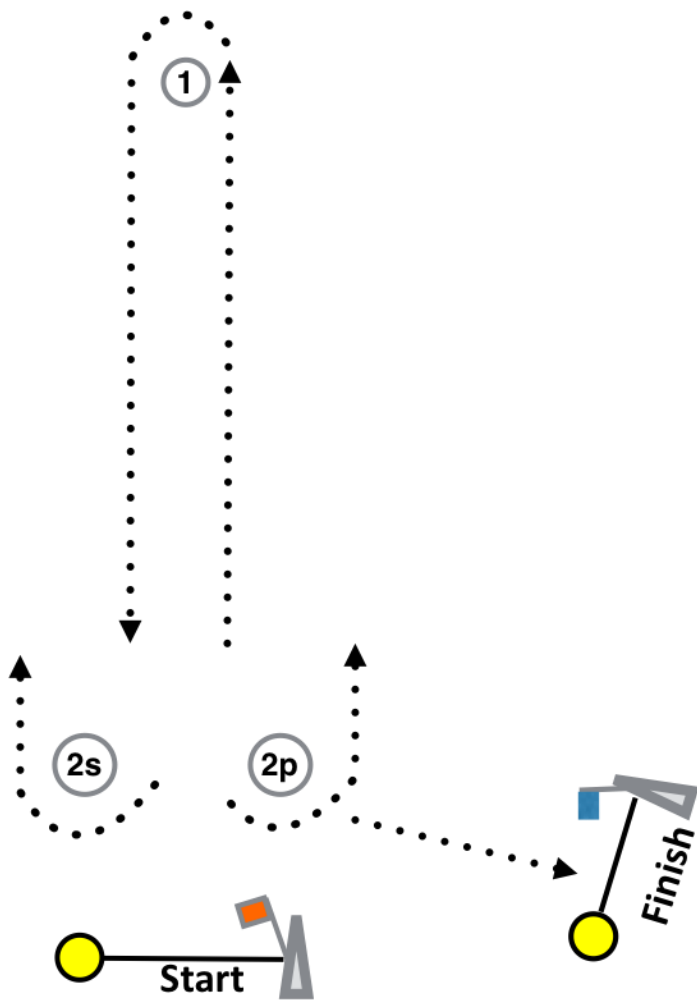
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Each participating competitor shall have valid third-party liability insurance.

APPENDIX A



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
M	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - Finish



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
L2	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - Finish
L3	Start - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - 1 - 2s/2p - Finish