

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2018 T293 PLUS SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

25th to 28th February 2018

Paracas, Peru

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee 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 WSCR 60.1.**

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

1 RULES

- 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 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.

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

Event stickers shall not be cut, trimmed or modified in any way.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the window facing the pool at ground floor of the main building

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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 90 minutes after the end of the last race of the day.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located on the beach in front of the board racks.
- 5.2 When **Flag S** is displayed ashore slalom racing is the chosen format for the next race.
- 5.3 When a signal is displayed over a division flag, the signal applies only to that division.
- 5.4 **[DP] [NP]** When a Division Flag is displayed (one sound signal) that division shall launch and sail to the race area. The warning signal for that division will be made not less than 20 minutes after the division flag is raised.
Competitors shall not go afloat until instructed to do so.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 There will be a maximum 5 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
- 6.2 A race will be one *course* race or one *slalom* eliminations including a final.
- 6.3 The T293 Plus youth men and youth women divisions shall start separately.
- 6.4 3 races are required to validate the event for each division.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1

Date	Time	Event
25 Feb (Sunday)	09:00 - 12:00	Registration & Equipment Inspection
	13:00	Welcome & Skippers Meeting
	14:00	First possible warning signal
26 Feb (Monday) to 28 Feb (Wednesday)	13:00	First possible warning signal
28 Feb (Wednesday)	17:00	Last possible warning signal
	19:30	Prize Giving Ceremony

- 7.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.
- 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”.

8 DIVISION FLAGS

The division flags for T293 Plus: youth men – purple flag with T293 logo
youth women – yellow flag with T293 logo

9 RACING AREA

- 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 at the seafront of the club.
- 9.2 **[DP] [NP]** Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.

10 THE COURSES

- 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.

11 MARKS

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

Area	Marks 1, 2, 3 4 & 5	New Mark	Start	Finish
A	Orange cylindrical buoy	Orange spherical buoy	A boat and a yellow cylindrical buoy	A boat and a yellow cylindrical buoy

12 THE START

12.1 Course races will be started by using **WCR26** – System 1.

12.2 Slalom races will be started using the following signals:

<i>Minutes before start signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
Not less than 3	Heat number	None	
3	Class flag	One	Attention signal
2	Red flag; Class flag removed	One	Warning signal
1	Yellow flag; Red flag removed	One	Preparatory signal
½	Yellow flag removed	One	Half minute
0	Green flag	One	Starting start

This modifies WCR 26

- 12.3 The starting line will be between a mast displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the pin end buoy.
- 12.4 **[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 30.4, 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

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new orange spherical buoy (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

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

15 THE FINISH

15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue 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

16.1 **[DP] [NP]** A competitor that has taken a penalty or retired under WCR 44.1 shall complete an Acknowledgement Form at race control as soon as possible and within the protest time limit.

16.2 **[SP]** Penalties for breaches of SI 20.3: Failure to Sign-Out will result in 3 points penalty for the next race completed. Failure to Sign-In will result in 3 points penalty for the last race completed. If only one race is completed, failure to comply with this SI will incur only a 3 points penalty.

16.3 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 end.

17 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

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	20	20
SLALOM	10	2	2	5

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

- 18.1 **Arbitration System** - will be used as specified in **Appendix B**.
- 18.2 Protest Forms are available at the at the desk next to the official notice board. 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 by group, to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as a witness, will be posted on Jury Notice Board as soon as protests are received at the jury desk. Hearing schedules are provisional until clearly marked as FINAL after approximately 10 minutes counted from the end of each group's Protest Time Limit. 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 by loudspeaker, however failure to do so, or 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 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 Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification if they so decide.
- 18.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day or no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. **This changes WCR 66**.
- 18.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. **This changes WCR 62.2**.

19 SCORING

- 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 at the desk next to the official notice board.

20 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 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 from the at the desk next to the official notice board, 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 next to the official flag pole.

21 [DP] [NP] REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

- 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 race control 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 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 championship equipment inspector.

22 [NP] OFFICIAL BOATS

- 22.1 Race Committee & Safety boats will display a yellow flag with letters CR in black.
- 22.2 The Protest Committee boat will display a white flag with letter J in black.
- 22.3 The Media boat will display a white flag with letter P in black.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

- 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

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

25 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 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

Prizes will be awarded according to the NoR.

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

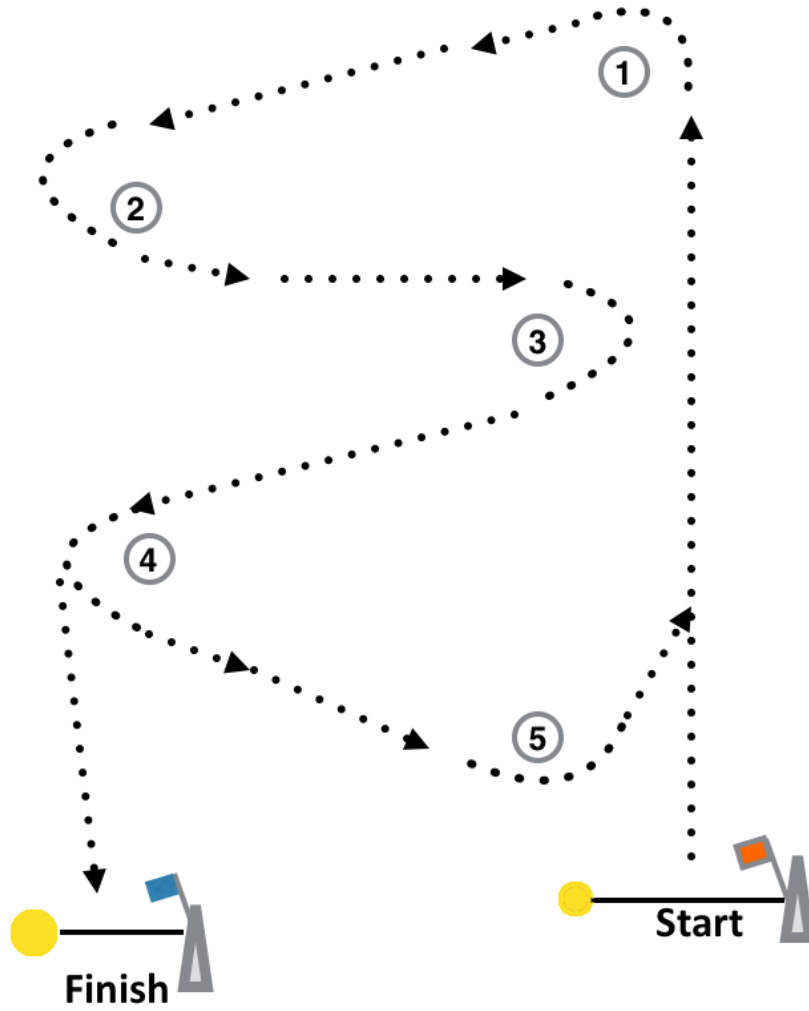
Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WCR 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained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

28 INSURANCE

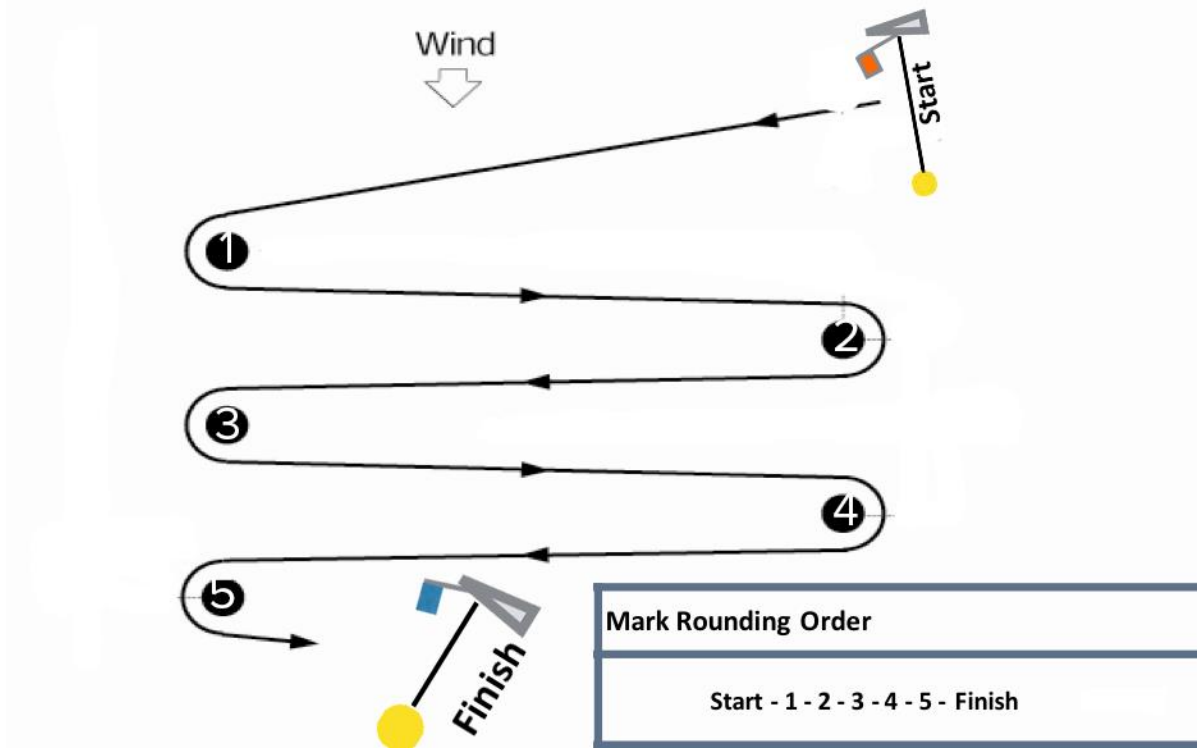
Each participating competitor shall have valid third-party liability insurance.

APPENDIX A

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



APPENDIX B - 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.

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 protest committee 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 Protest Committee. 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 Protest Committee is required, the protest may not be withdrawn without the permission of the Protest Committee.

2.6. If the protest is not withdrawn, the Protest Committee 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 Protest Committee 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.