2018 US National Windsurfing Festival Slalom and Long Distance Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

Competition shall be governed by the **ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017 – 2020**, Appendix B: Windsurfing Competition Rules.

The attention of the competitors shall be drawn to all important announcements, such as changes to Sailing Instructions, by displaying the code flag "L" ashore, accompanied by such a sound signal. This flag must be displayed for at least one hour. Oral instructions can also be given from the starting vessel. All official announcements shall be posted in writing on the Official Notice Board (ONB).

2. SCORING

Racing: the disciplines Downwind Slalom and Long Distance are scored separately.

3. COURSES

The racing area(s) and the courses will be as illustrated on the ONB. The course diagram, start and finish, (not to scale) will be posted on the ONB before the start.

5.1 Competitors not racing shall not sail in the competition area (including the pre-start area) while heats are being sailed.

5.2 Sailing in the competition area (including the pre-start area) when not competing (violation of rule 5.1) may result in disqualification of his/her next race.

4. START PROCEDURE and RECALLS

Unless otherwise described by the sailing instructions, the signals for starts shall be made by intervals, and shall be as follows:

Championship Open Slalom will be broken into 4 groups, A, B, C, D and these groups will sail round robin pairings as shown below

AB-CD-AC-BD-AD-BC. Starting grouping will be displayed on the committee boat.

At some point during the event grouping may change to gold and silver fleets at the discretion of the PRO

4.1 Discipline starts

4.1.1 Downwind Slalom

4 minutes before start	AP Down
3 minutes before start	red flag up
2 minutes before start	red flag down
1 minutes before start	yellow flag up
30 seconds before start	yellow flag down
START	green flag up

4.1.2 Long Distance

Starting procedure to be announced at the ONB.

4.2 Recalls

Any sailor shall have to accept recall circumstances, even though some may have started correctly. Following a recall and exactly one minute after the recall flag "First Substitute" has been lowered, a new warning signal (three minutes red flag) shall be given.

4.2.2 Long Distance

There will be no individual or general recalls. Disqualifications for the Long Distance discipline shall be announced at the ONB.

5. OBLIGATIONS

5.1 To display clearly readable sail numbers on each sail and on each side of the sail, preferably in large black letters and numbers. Racing without numbers or without readable numbers on the sail(s) will result in not being scored as finished. Changes in sail numbers should be announced to the race officials; if not, this will result in not being scored as finished.

6. PROTESTS

There will be no possibility to file protests. Any conflicts between competitors arisen during the competition should be submitted to the Principle Race Officer and will be settled by his decision.