

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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[**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 A5.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (**RRS**) <u>Windsurfing</u> Edition (**WCR**).
- 1.2. 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.**
- 1.3. The arbitration system as described in SI Appendix B will apply.
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5. All changes to the Sailing Instructions shall be approved by the Class Representative.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to the competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board closed to the race office. Jury and Protest notices (inclusive of protests by Technical and Race Committees) will be posted at the Jury Notice Board closed to the race office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 90 minutes before the scheduled warning signal of the race in which it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of the next day's racing will be posted not later than 21:00 on the day before the schedule takes effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Official Flagpole located in front of the race office.

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- 4.2. When a signal is displayed over a Class Division flag it applies to that Class Division only. **This changes WCR Race Signals**.
- 4.3. **[DP]** [NP]Class Division flag displayed ashore with one sound means: 'the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after that flag is displayed.' Boards shall not leave the beach until this signal is made.

If the Class Division flag is NOT displayed competitors SHALL NOT go afloat.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. The daily race schedule and the scheduled time of the Warning signal for the first race will be posted on the Official Notice board.
- 5.2. There shall be a maximum 3 races per day, and a maximum of 12 races in the championship, for each division in the T293 class.
- 5.3. There shall be a maximum 4 races per day, and a maximum of 15 races in the championship, for the TPlus class.
- 5.4. 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.
- 5.5. Three (3) races may be sailed "back to back".
- 5.6. A *marathon* (long distance) race may be scheduled and shall count as one race in the championship series. Details shall be published on the Official Notice Board.
- 5.7. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 16:00 hrs unless after a postponement during a starting sequence or a general recall.

6. FORMAT OF RACING

6.1. The regatta will consist of a single series for all Class Divisions.

7. CLASS DIVISION FLAGS & RIBBONS

7.1. The Class Division flags shall be:

Class Division	Flag
T293 Junior	Yellow with T293 logo
T293 Youth	Green with T293 logo
TPlus Open	Red with T293 logo

8. RACING AREAS

- 8.1. SI Appendix C shows the racing areas.
- 8.2. The racing area is an area extending 75 metres beyond the course including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board normally sails while racing.
- 8.3. [**DP**] Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. The diagrams in SI's Appendix A shows the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2. The course to be sailed will be displayed on a white board, with course code in black letters, on the starting (signal) boat no later than 1 minute before the warning signal. **This changes WCR 27.1**
- 9.3. If a marathon race is scheduled the details of the course, including a description of the marks, shall be published on the Official Notice Board not later than 21:00 on the day before the race is scheduled.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. The starting marks will be a Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end of the start line and a pin end white cylindrical inflatable buoy.
- 10.2. The finishing marks will be a Race Committee Boat and a Pin-end white cylindrical inflatable buoy
- 10.3. The colour and shape of inflatable buoys/ course marks are as follows:

Colour and shape
Course races - Red Cylindrical inflatable buoys

11. THE START

- 11.1. Races will be started according to WCR26 (B3.26.1) System 1.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a pin end white cylindrical inflatable buoy.
- 11.3. A board starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. **This changes WCR A4 and A5.**
- 11.4. [DP] When a starting sequence is in progress, boards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 75 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- 11.5. If flag I has been displayed, and any part of a board'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.**
- 11.6. When an Individual Recall has been signalled for a board or a board breaks rule 30.3 or 30.4, the Race Committee will display her sail number on the Race Committee Signal Boat 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).**

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1. 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.

13. THE FINISH

13.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC finishing boat and a Pin-end white cylindrical inflatable buoy.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

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

	Time Limit	Mark1 Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
M COURSE RACE	40	12	20	20
W/L COURSE RACE	45	15	20	25
TRAPEZOIDAL RACE	45	15	20	25

- 14.2. If no board has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race committee will abandon the race.
- 14.3. The "Finish Window" determines the number of minutes allowed for competitors to finish after the first competitor finishes. Boards failing to finish within the time stated in Finish Window shall be scored DNF except those who are scored DSQ, BFD, OCS, UFD, RET, RDG or DNE. **This changes WCR 35**, **A4** and **A5**.

15. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. Protest forms are available at the Jury Desk located in the race office.
- 15.2. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered at the jury desk within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3. Special attention shall be given to WCR 61.1 (a) "...She shall inform the Race Committee of her intention to protest as soon as practicable after she *finishes* or retires"
- 15.4. **[DP]** [NP] Boards retiring from races shall complete a Retirement Declaration Form at the jury desk before the protest time limit.
- 15.5. **[DP] [NP]** Boards taking a voluntary penalty shall complete the Penalty Acknowledgment Form at the jury desk before the end of the protest time limit.
- 15.6. For each Class Division the protest Time Limit is 60 minutes after the last board of her Class Division has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals "AP over A" whichever is later.
- 15.7. Hearing schedules by Class Division 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. Hearing schedules are provisional until clearly marked as FINAL after approximately 10 minutes counted from the end of each Class Division'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.

- 15.8. Notices of protest by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or International Jury will be posted to inform boards under rule 61.1(b).
- 15.9. 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). Penalties for breaches marked [DP] are at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification if the International Jurys o decides.
- 15.10. On the last scheduled day of a competitor's Series a request for redress based on an International Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. **This changes WCR 62.2.**
- 15.11. On the last scheduled day of a competitor's Series 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 RRS 66**.
- 15.12. Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in WCR 70.5.
- 15.13. Protest Time Limits, Hearing Schedules and Hearing Decisions will be posted on the Jury Notice Board. It is intended that these notices will also be posted on the notice board of the event website; failure to do so will not be grounds for redress. **This changes WCR 60.1(a).**

16. SCORING

- 16.1. Scoring will be according to WCR appendix A
- 16.2. Three races are required to validate the event for each class.
- 16.3. To request correction of an alleged error in the posted results, a board shall complete a Scoring Review Form available at the Jury Desk.

17. [SP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1. The safety system (Sign-Out/Sign-IN) always applies:
 - 17.1.1. When going out to race, each competitor intending to race shall personally Sign-Out against their name and/or sail number.
 - 17.1.2. On returning ashore, each competitor shall personally Sign-IN against their name and/or sail number either before the protest time limit or within 60 minutes after being instructed to go ashore by the race committee.
 - 17.1.3. Sign-Out and Sign-IN lists will be provided by the race committee at the beach master desk.

17.2. Standard Penalties:

- 17.2.1. Failure to Sign-Out will result in a 2-point penalty for the next race completed even if no race is completed on the day of the infringement. If the failure to Sign-Out occurs on the last scheduled day of racing and no races are completed that day, the 2-point penalty will be applied to the last race completed.
- 17.2.2. Failure to Sign-IN will result in a 2-point penalty for the last race completed even if no race is completed on the day of the infringement.
- 17.2.3. Only one 2-point penalty for infringements of (19.2.1) and (19.2.2) will be applied to any one race.
- 17.3. Competitor and support boat crew member shall wear a personal flotation device except briefly while changing or adjusting equipment. The personal flotation device shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50). **This changes WCR 40.**

18. [DP] REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

18.1. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Technical Committee.

- 18.2. 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.
- 18.3. 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 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 SI 19.2 and the replaced item shall be presented to the Technical Committee.

19. [DP] EQUIPMENT CHANGES AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 19.1. 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 Technical Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection
- 19.2. 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 unless otherwise stated on the official notice board

20. [DP] [NP] CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

20.1. Competitors may be required to carry on their boards/rigs cameras as specified by the organiser.

21. OFFICIAL BOATS

21.1. Official boats will be marked as follows:

Boat	Flag
Race Committee	Blue with RC in red
International Jury	yellow with "IJ"in black
Media	yellow with "Presse" in black

22. [DP] [NP]SUPPORT BOATS

- 22.1. Team coach and support boats **shall** display the national flag of their country or the national 3 letter code in black (min height 120 mm) on a white background.
- 22.2. **All** coach and support boat personnel **shall** be registered with the organiser; and **shall** have completed the form and submitted the registration fee.
- 22.3. Coach and support boats shall stay outside the racing area 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 the request of the Race Committee.
- 22.4. Coach and Support boats shall comply with any reasonable request from a race official.
- 22.5. When **Flag R** is displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat with repetitive sound signals all coaches and other support boats shall monitor **VHF channel 71** or go to the Race Committee Signal Boat to assist in Search and Rescue opera
- 22.6. Coach and Support boat drivers shall use the kill cord in the recommended manner.
- 22.7. All coach and support boats shall carry a tow rope (minimum 15 metres long and 8 mm thick)
- 22.8. An alleged breach of any of the regulations in SI #23 may be referred to the Jury who may call a hearing under WCR 60.3(d).

23. [DP] [NP] TRASH DISPOSAL

23.1. As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Trash may be placed aboard coach, support and race committee boats. **This changes WCR 55.**

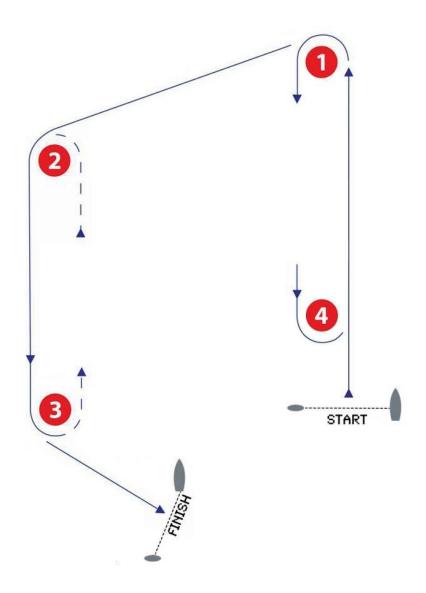
24. PRIZES

24.1. Prizes will be given according the Notice of Race.

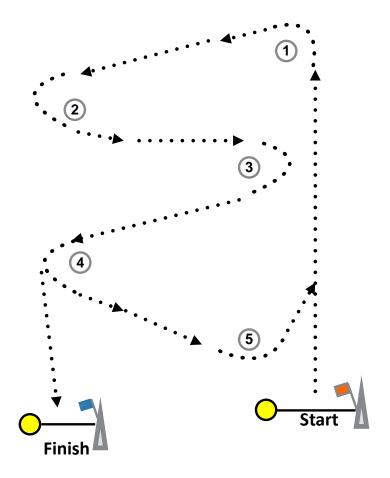
APPENDIX A – COURSES

TRAPEZOID

01	START-1-2-3-2-3-FINISH	11	START-1-4-1-2-3-FINISH
02	START-1-2-3-2-3-FINISH	12	START-1-4-1-4-1-2-3-FINISH



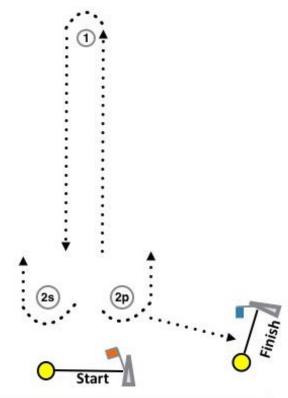




9	Signal	Mark Rounding Order
	М	Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 1 - 2 - 3 – 4 - Finish

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W/L



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	

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. 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 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 that, in the opinion of the arbitrator, is 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 considered at fault provided the requirements of WCR62.1((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 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 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 may allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - 2.5.2. No board broke a rule. The arbitrator may allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - 2.5.3. One or more boards broke a rule of Part 2. Each of those boards may take a Post-Race Penalty or retire.
 - If a board takes a penalty, the arbitrator may, if appropriate, offer redress to boards not considered to be at fault.
 - If all boards considered to be at fault take a penalty and all offers of redress are accepted, the arbitrator may allow the protestor to withdraw the protest.
 - 2.5.4. A protest hearing by the International Jury is required. The protest cannot 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. If the protest is withdrawn, no protest hearing will be held. Arbitration cannot be the subject of a request for redress or appeal.

APPENDIX C - RACING AREA

