2019 Asian Windsurfing Championships

7th to 14th November 2019 Organized by Chinese Taipei Sailing Association

Penghu Sailing Club, Guan Yin Ting, Makung, Penghu, Taiwan

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 or a request for redress 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 and 63.1.

1. RULES

Asian Championships

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) Windsurfing Edition (WCR).
- 1.2. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between these sailing instructions (SIs) and any other document governing the event, the SIs will take precedence. This changes WCR 63.7.
- 1.4. The penalty for a breach of class rules may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification. [**DP**]
- 1.5. Decisions on protests concerning class rules: WCR 64.3(a) shall not apply.
- 1.6. Infringement of WCR Appendix G, IDENTIFICATION ON SAILS, shall not be grounds for protest by a board. [NP]
- 1.7. Event lycras shall be worn outside any other clothing or equipment at all times when afloat. [DP][NP]
- 1.8. Event lycras shall not be cut, trimmed, defaced or altered in any way. [DP][NP]
- 1.9. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the lobby of Penghu Sailing Club. In addition, notices to competitors may be posted at the event website: http://asians2019.internationalwindsurfing.com/notice-board Failure to access a notice on the regatta website will not be grounds for redress. This changes WCR 62.1(a).

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the SIs will be posted not less than 60 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 before the latest protest time limit of the day.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole located at Penghu Sailing Club.
- 4.2. When a signal is displayed over a division flag, it applies to that division only. This changes WCR Race Signals Preamble.
- 4.3. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes'. This changes WCR Race Signals AP.

5. RACE FORMAT

- 5.1. The event will consist of a single series of races for each division.
- 5.2. Racing will take place in the following divisions:
 - Techno 293 Youth (U17) Boys & Girls;
 - RS:X Women and RS:X Youth (U19) Boys & Girls;
 - RS:X Men; and
 - Glide Open Men & Women.
- 5.3. The Techno 293 Junior (U15) Boys & Girls divisions are cancelled. This changes Notice of Race (NoR) 3.1.1.

6. RACE SCHEDULE

6.1. The race schedule will be:

Date	Time	Event	
Thursday November 7th		Arrival and Training; Charter Distribution	
Friday November 8th	09:00 - 12:00	Registration	
	13:00	Coach's & Competitor's Meeting	
	15:00	Practice Races	
	19:00	Opening Ceremony	
Saturday November 9th	10:00	First Possible Warning / Attention Signal	
Sunday November 10th	10:00	First Possible Warning / Attention Signal	
Monday November 11th	10:00	First Possible Warning / Attention Signal	
Tuesday November 12th	10:00	First Possible Warning / Attention Signal	
Wednesday November 13th	10:00	First Possible Warning / Attention Signal	
	16:00	Last Possible Warning / Attention Signal	
	19:00	Prize Giving	
Thursday November 14th		Departure	

- 6.2. There will be a maximum of three races per day and a maximum of twelve races for each division, over five racing days. The races held each day may be sailed 'back to back'.
- 6.3. 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 5 minutes before a warning / attention signal is displayed.
- 6.4. On the last scheduled day of racing no warning / attention signal will be made after 16:00. In the case of one or more general recalls when the initial warning / attention signal was made prior to 16:00, the race committee may display subsequent warning / attention signals after this time.

7. FLAGS

Division flags will be:

Division	Flag
RS:X Men	White Flag with RS:X Class Logo
RS:X Women, RS:X Youth (U19) Boys & Girls	Pink Flag with RS:X Class Logo
Techno 293 Youth (U17) Boys & Girls	Blue Flag with Techno 293 Class Logo
Glide Open Men & Women, Masters	Yellow with Glide Logo

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1. Attachment A shows the location of the racing area.
- 8.2. The racing area is an area extending 50 meters beyond the course, including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board normally sails while racing.
- 8.3. Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area. [DP][NP]

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1. The diagrams and tables in Attachment B show the courses, including 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 the race committee signal vessel. MARKS
- 9.3. The marks will be:

Mark	Description
Mark 1, 4S and 4P	Orange Inflatable Cylindrical Buoy
Mark 2	Red Inflatable Cylindrical Buoy
Change Marks	Red Inflatable Cylindrical Buoys with Black Horizontal Stripe
Starting Marks	Race Committee Signal Vessel with Orange Flag and Yellow Cylindrical Buoy with Orange Flag
Finishing Marks	Race Committee Vessel with Blue Flag and Blue Cylindrical Buoy with Blue Flag
Inner Distance Mark	Red Square Buoy

9.4. A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Windward start races will be started by using WCR 26.1 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2. Reaching start races will be started by using WCR 26.2 with the attention signal made 3 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.3. The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 10.4. When the inner distance mark is laid, boards starting shall not pass between the inner distance mark and the race committee signal vessel at any time.
- 10.5. Boards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP][NP]
- 10.6. A board that does not start within 4 minutes after her windward start starting signal or within 2 minutes after her reaching start starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes WCR A4 and A5.
- 10.7. If a board fails to start or breaks WCR 30.3 or 30.4, the race committee will display her sail number on the race committee signal vessel before the first competitor has finished the race. [NP]

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 staffs displaying blue flags on the finishing marks.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 13.1. The target time for the first finisher in each division is 20 to 25 minutes. [NP]
- 13.2. The time limit for the first board in each division to finish a race is 45 minutes. If the time limit is exceeded, the race will be abandoned.
- 13.3. Boards failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first board in their respective division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing, except those who are scored DSQ, BFD, OCS, UFD, RET, RDG or DNE. This changes WCR 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1. Protest forms are available at the beach master desk located at the lobby of Penghu Sailing Club. Protests and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the beach master desk within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2. For each division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last board of the division has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

- 14.3. 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 witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room located at Penghu Sailing Club beginning at the time posted.
- 14.4. Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or international jury will be posted to inform boards under WCR 61.1(b).
- 14.5. If WCR Appendix N1.4(b) applies, the time limit for requesting a hearing under that rule is 30 minutes after the party was informed of the panel's decision.
- 14.6. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes WCR 62.2.
- 14.7. Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in WCR 70.5.

15. **SCORING**

- 15.1. Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A.
- 15.2. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3. Each board will be scored within its division except that RS:X Women and RS:X Youth (U19) Girls will be scored together and RS:X Youth (U19) Boys will be scored separately.
- 15.4. (a) When fewer than four races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from four to ten races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) When eleven or more races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

This changes WCR Appendix A2

15.5. To request correction of an alleged error in the posted races or series results, a board may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the beach master desk or online via the regatta website.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]

- 16.1. The safety system (Sign-OUT/Sign-IN) applies at all times:
 - When going out to race, each competitor intending to race shall personally Sign-OUT against their name and/or sail number.
 - 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.
 - Sign-OUT and Sign-IN lists will be provided by the race committee at the beach master desk.

16.2. Penalties: [SP]

- (a) Failure to Sign-OUT will result in a 1-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 1-point penalty will be applied to the last race completed.
- (b) Failure to Sign-IN will result in a 1-point penalty for the last race completed even if no race is completed on the day of the infringement.
- (c) Only one 1-point penalty for infringements of (a) and (b) will be applied to any one race.
- 16.3. All competitors shall wear personal floatation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing, or personal equipment. Wet suits, dry suits and trapeze harnesses are not personal floatation devices. This changes RRS 40.
- 16.4. Competitors retiring before finishing shall inform the race committee as soon as possible. If this is not possible the competitor shall inform the beach master at the lobby of Penghu Sailing Club.

17. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 17.1. 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. Forms for replacement are available at the beach master desk or online via the regatta website.
- 17.2. If the substitution was made on the water between races, the substitution is subject to the approval of the Technical Committee given retrospectively.

18. EQUIPMENT CHANGES AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

- 18.1. A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and SIs. On the water, a board can be instructed by the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 18.2. 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 ONB.

19. OFFICIAL VESSELS

Official vessels will be marked as follows:

Official Vessels	Description
Race Committee Vessel	White Flag with "Penghu Sailing Association" in Black Letters

20. SUPPORT VESSELS [DP][NP]

- 20.1. Coach and support vessels shall display the national flag of their country or their national letters in black (minimum height 120mm) on a white background.
- 20.2. Coach and support vessels shall stay outside the racing area from the time of the preparatory signal (windward start) or warning signal (reaching start) 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.
- 20.3. Coach and support vessels shall comply with any reasonable request from a race official.

21. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP][NP]

As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Boards shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard coach, support and race committee vessels. This changes WCR 55.

22. PRIZES

Prizes will be given according to NoR 16.

23. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

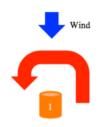
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See WCR 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. See also NoR 17.

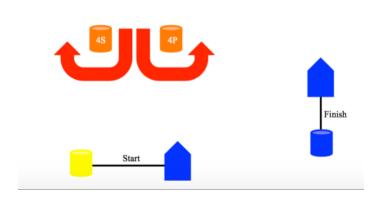
Attachment A - Racing Area



Attachment B - Courses

Windward-Leeward Course (Windward Start)

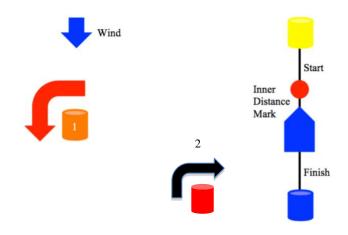




Course Code	Mark Rounding Order
W1	Start > 1 > 4P > Finish
W2	Start > 1 > 4S/4P > 1 > 4P > Finish
W3	Start > 1 > 4S/4P > 1 > 4S/4P > 1 > 4P > Finish

Gate 4S/4P may be replaced by a single mark which shall be left to port.

Windward-Leeward Course (Reaching Start)





Course Code	Mark Rounding Order
R1	Start > 1 > 4S/4P > 2 > Finish
R2	Start > 1 > 4S/4P > 1 > 4S/4P > 2 > Finish
R3	Start > 1 > 4S/4P > 1 > 4S/4P > 1 > 4S/4P > 2 > Finish

Gate 4S/4P may be replaced by a single mark which shall be left to port.