



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

# 2014 IFCA JUNIOR, YOUTH & MASTER SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

Roses – Costa Brava (Girona) – Catalunya - Spain

Organised by:

**Grup d'Esports Nautics de Roses (GEN Roses)**

in co-operation with

**International Funboard Class Association (IFCA)**

**Real Federación Española de Vela (RFEV)**

**Asociación Española de Funboard & Federació Catalana de Vela**

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event *including*

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*[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury.*

## **1. Rules**

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing including Appendix –B-.
- 1.2. The International Funboard Class Association (IFCA) Championship Rules shall apply.
- 1.3. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4. In case of a discrepancy within the rules, these Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.5. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will prevail.

## **2. Notice to Competitors**

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located on the beach next to the competitor equipment area.

## **3. Changes to Sailing Instruction**

- 3.1. Any change to the SI will be posted at least 30 minutes before the starting time of the race or races concerned. Changes affecting the schedule of the next day's racing shall be posted not later than 60 minutes after the finish of the last scheduled heat or after AP over A is displayed whichever is later.
- 3.2. If oral instructions or changes to the sailing instructions will be given, the flag ICF "L" shall be shown at least 5 minutes before the instructions or changes.

## **4. Signals Made Ashore**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Official Flag Poles located on the beach next to the competitor equipment area.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced with "not less than 15 minutes". This changes RRS (race signals).
- 4.3. When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.
- 4.4. If no division flags are shown the signals will apply to all divisions

## **5. Schedule of Races and Official Briefings**

- 5.1. The daily skippers meeting will be held at 60 minutes before the first possible warning signal.
- 5.2. The time of the first possible Warning Signal will be at 12:00
- 5.3. The daily race schedule will be posted on the Official Notice board at least 30 minutes before the first start.
- 5.4. The schedule is subject to alteration
- 5.5. At the discretion of the Race Committee, races may be rescheduled.
- 5.6. There will be a maximum of 3 eliminations per day
- 5.7. The numbering of the eliminations shall be in order of sailing

## **6. Class Flags**

- 6.1. Class flags will be:

Master



Youth Under 20 and  
Junior Under 17



## 7. Racing area [DP]

- 7.1. The racing area will be illustrated on the ONB as an area extending 75 metre beyond the course including the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board normally sails while racing and 100 metre above the starting line. See appendix A
- 7.2. Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.

## 8. Courses

- 8.1. The courses will be as illustrated on the ONB. The course diagram (not to scale) will be posted on the ONB at least 30 minutes before the start. Courses will be as prescribed in the IFWC & IFCA Championship Rules or variations of it.

## 9. Marks

- 9.1. The Course Marks will be red pyramide GEN buoys.
- 9.2. The Starting marks will be the flagpole with the orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a orange cylindrical buoy.
- 9.3. The Finishing marks will be the flagpole with the blue flag on the Race Committee Finishing vessel or ashore and a orange cylindrical buoy.

## 10. Areas that are Obstructions[DP]

- 10.1. The following areas are designated as obstructions:
  - Swimmers area marked with yellow boys

## 11. Starting

- 11.1. The starting line is illustrated on the course diagram
- 11.2. Slalom on water start; according to the IFCA Championship rules 6.1
- 11.3. Slalom beach start; according to the IFCA Championship rules 6.2
- 11.4. The starting signals will be shown from the Race Committee Signal Boat on the windward end of the starting line, seen in the direction of the first mark or from a flagpole windward of the starting line in case of a beach start.
- 11.5. Competitors whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.6. Boards failing to start within 2 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5

- 11.7. A repetitive sound signals will be given when flag "1st substitute"(general recall) is displayed. This changes RRS Race Signals

## 12. Recalls

- 12.1. Slalom general recalls will be signalled:
- In the first round in accordance with RRS 30.3, without displaying the black flag. The "X" flag will be displayed at the finish vessel to inform the competitors there are one or more recalls in that heat. This modifies RRS 30.3.
  - All the other heats in accordance with RRS B10-29

## 13. Finish

- 13.1. The finishing line shall be illustrated on the course diagram.
- 13.2. All boards that have finished must keep clear of competitors still racing and the finish line and shall leave the racing area as soon as reasonably possible.

## 14. Time limits

- 14.1. The start time limit is 2 minutes after a valid start in the concerning heat.
- 14.2. Boards failing to finish within 5 minutes after the first board in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## 15. Jury & Protests

- 15.1. An independent protest committee will handle the slalom protests in accordance to RRS B10-63.
- 15.2. Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing; they shall be made orally to a member of the jury as soon as reasonably possible following the race. The jury shall take evidence in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally. RRS B10-63.6
- 15.3. The protestor shall make every reasonable effort to bring the protestee to the jury
- 15.4. The location of the Jury on the beach near competitor area will be signalled by a white flag with in black marked "J".
- 15.5. Special attention will be for RRS B5-61 ".....She shall inform the Race Committee of her intention to protest immediately after she finishes or retires"
- 15.6. Breaches of instructions marked with [DP] will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty will be DPI.
- 15.7. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- Within protest limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day
  - No later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- 15.8. Add new RRS rule 64.1(d): "When there is a minor and unavoidable contact, she shall NOT be penalized

## 16. Scoring

- 16.1. Appendix A and RRS B10 applies.

- 16.2. IFCA Championship Rule 8.1.1 The Low Point system shall be used however the points for the first place shall be 0,7.

## **17. Safety Regulations [DP]**

- 17.1. The safety of the sailboard and its entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the competitor racing the sailboard who must ensure that the sailboard is adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither the establishment of these sailing instructions nor the inspection of the board under these conditions in any way limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the competitor for his/her board and entire management thereof. The race organizers, the race committee and the jury will not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the competitors as a result of their taking part in the race or races.
- 17.2. Flotation devices: If personal buoyancy is prescribed, every competitor shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50).
- 17.3. 2.3. If either one of the signals "N over H", "N over A", "AP over H" or "AP over A" is made on one or more RC vessels, boards shall return to the competitors area on the beach as soon as possible.

## **18. Replacement or equipment**

- 18.1. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Request for substitution shall be made in writing at the first reasonable opportunity. Forms for replacement are available at the Race Office.

## **19. Equipment 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 Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **20. Shore Regulations [DP]**

- 20.1. The instructions of the RC or the Beach master shall be strictly obeyed.
- 20.2. Unless otherwise directed by the organising authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site

## **21. Trash disposal [DP]**

- 21.1. Boards and support boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard of support- and race committee boats

## **22. Prizes & Titles**

- 22.1. Trophies shall be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division.
- 22.2. The first Junior boy and girl will be declared - "2014 IFCA Junior Slalom Champion".
- 22.3. The first Youth man or woman will be declared - "2014 IFCA Youth Slalom World Champion".
- 22.4. The first Master man or woman will be declared - "2014 IFCA Masters Slalom World Champion".

- 22.5. The first Grandmaster man or woman will be declared - "2014 IFCA Grandmasters Slalom Champion".
- 22.6. Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non-attendance at the prize giving ceremony.

### **23. Disclaimer of Liability**

- 23.1. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

### **24. Insurance**

- 24.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.000.000 euro per event or the equivalent.

### **25. Official Ceremonies**

- 25.1. The attendance of all competitors to the opening and closing ceremonies are mandatory, however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion.

### **26. Officials**

Race Organizer	GEN Roses Yacht Club
Principal Race Officer	Cesar Sans (ESP)
Measurer	Bruno De Wannemaeker (BEL)
IFCA Race Supervisor	Eric Kling (NED)
Jury chairman	David Maria (ESP)
Judges	Kamen Filyov (BUL)
	Eric Kling (NED)
	Manel Pedreira (ESP)
	Jordi Capella (ESP)