

2021 Northeast Monsoon Grand Prix

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Sailing Instructions

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be less than disqualification.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protests by a board.

1 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'Rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing - Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR) (as applied to respective classes), except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

1.2 [DP][NP] The following Safety Regulations shall apply:

1.2.1 All crew shall wear buoyancy vests, impact vests, or lifejackets and properly secured about their persons at all times while afloat.

1.2.2 [DP][NP] A suitable protective helmet must be worn at all times while afloat.

1.3 Equipment must comply with the rules set out in these Sailing Instructions.

1.4 For protests where only a Rule of Part 2 is alleged to have been broken an informal mediation may be offered prior to any formal hearing.

1.5 If there is conflict between these Sailing Instructions and any other document governing the regatta, these Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2.0 Advertising [DP][NP]

2.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

2.2 Event bibs, if provided, shall be worn outside any other clothing or equipment at all times when afloat and during media interviews ashore.

2.3 Event bibs and stickers shall not be cut, trimmed or altered in any way.

3 Notice to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located at listed race venues.

4 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at least 60 minutes before the scheduled start of the first race affected, except that any changes affecting the first possible start of the next day's racing shall be posted not later than 2000hrs on the day before.

5 Signals Made Ashore

5.1 Signals made ashore will be communicated via notice board at listed race venues.

5.2 Signals made over a class flag apply to that class only.

5.3 [DP][NP] Flag D with one sound means - the warning signal will be made not less than 10 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boards are requested not to leave the shore until this signal is made.

5.4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 10 minutes'.

6 Schedule of Grand Prix

Race schedule is as described in NOR.

7 Format of Racing

7.1 Racing may be multi-format, including some or all of the following: Course Racing and Slalom (including Sprint Slalom).

7.2 Not every format needs to be completed to constitute the Grand Prix.

7.3 When Slalom races are run there may be evenly divided fleets with heats and a

final. If so, qualification process to finals will be displayed on ONB prior to start.

8 Equipment and Measurement [DP][NP]

8.1 Windfoil Class. Any board, any sails, any foil mast and any foils can be used.

8.2 Bic Techno 293 and Techno 293Plus: Equipment as allowed under class rules

9 Divisions and Class Flags

9.1 There will be 1 scoring division in each Windfoil and Bic Techno 293/293Plus class.

9.2 All divisions race together in one start.

9.3 Class flag will be:

Windfoil: RED FLAG with WHITE 'W'

Bic Techno 293/293Plus: Flag with Bic Techno Class Insignia

10 Racing Area

10.1 The Race Area will be in waters off land locations as described in NOR for each Series.

10.2 The Race Venue for each Round is listed in the NOR.

11 Courses

11.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11.2 The Race Committee will determine the race formats at their discretion.

11.3 If more than one race format and/or if more than one course option is prescribed for the day's racing, no later than one minute before the warning signal the Race Committee signal vessel shall display the course to be sailed on a white board.

12 Marks

The starting marks, finishing marks, and marks on the course will be described at the daily briefing.

13 The Start

13.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.

13.2 The following shortened start sequence will be used:

- 3 minutes – Warning Signal - Class Flag displayed.

- 2 minutes – Red Flag (as Preparatory Signal)

- 1 minute – Yellow Flag (Red Flag removed)

- Starting Signal – Green Flag (Class Flag and Yellow Flag removed)

13.3 [DP][NP] If Flag R has been displayed at the Preparatory Signal then:

- A board shall not start the race on port tack; and

- A board shall not foil in the immediate start line area during the last minute and until the start gun goes. The 'immediate start line area' is defined as an area 10 meters behind the start line and its extensions.

-The purpose of this rule is to promote the safety of competitors.

13.3 A boat starting later than 2 minutes after their starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

14 Change of Course

There will be no change of course, except as described at the daily briefing.

15 The Finish

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a checkered flag on the finishing boat (or on land) at one end and a checkered buoy at the other end.

16 Target Times and Time Limits & Rest Periods [NP]

16.1 The target time for the Course Race is 8 to 10 minutes. Competitors failing to finish within 3 minutes, after the first competitor sails the course and finishes, will be scored according to their position as identified below, without a hearing:

16.2 'Course Races' will have the start pin as the bottom mark. All races will be 1 lap.

16.3 3 minutes after the leading board has sailed the course and finished, the race will be terminated. Any boards which at that time are still racing will be recorded a finishing position in the order they last passed mark 1. Any board having not completed first leg will be scored DNF without a hearing.

16.4 For the purposes of informing boards that the termination of the race is approaching a yellow flag will be displayed on the finish boat 1 minute after the leading board has finished.

16.5 If no board has passed Mark 1 within 4 minutes the race will be abandoned. Courses shorter than 10 minutes may be run at the Race Officers discretion.

16.7 Rest Periods

- Ashore for Course Racing: After a series of 3 back-to-back races there shall be a rest period of a minimum of 10 minutes ashore for the last finisher in the last race of that series.

- Ashore for Slalom Races: After a series of 5 back-to-back races there shall be a rest period of a minimum of 10 minutes ashore for the last finisher in the last race of that series.

- Code Flag AP will be displayed to signal that racing is postponed. A warning signal will be made not less than 10 minutes after it is lowered.

16.8 There is no time limit for the Slalom Races. These are short courses designed to be completed in less than 5 minutes.

16.9 Wind strength guide for race formats:

7 to 10 knots – Slalom Races

Above 10 knots – Slalom or Course races

17 Penalty System

B44.4 WCR shall apply: If an infringement is acknowledged by a competitor, they shall complete a One-Turn penalty clear of any other competitor.

18 Protests and Requests for Redress

18.1 Please note clause 1.6.

18.2 There will be no protests or redresses for the Grand Prix, with infringements to be exonerated via penalties during racing.

18.7 Breaches of rules in the Sailing Instructions marked [NP] will not be grounds for protest by a board. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaches marked [DP] are at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be less than disqualification if they so decide.

19 Scoring

19.1 Refer to NOR.

20 Safety [DP][NP]

20.1 Competitors may be required to sign on and off at the listed venue before and after sailing.

20.2 Boards not leaving shore for the day's races shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

20.3 A board that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

21 Official Boats

Official boats will be as described at the briefing.

22 Radio Communications

Except in an emergency, a board shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boards. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

23 Tophies/Prizes

As described in NOR.

24 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organising 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 Grand Prix.

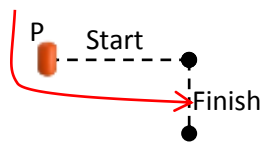
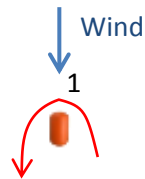
25 Media Rights, Cameras and Electronic Equipment

25.1 By entering the Grand Prix, competitors automatically grant the Organising Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of them or their equipment, taken during the period of the Grand Prix, for the said Grand Prix as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

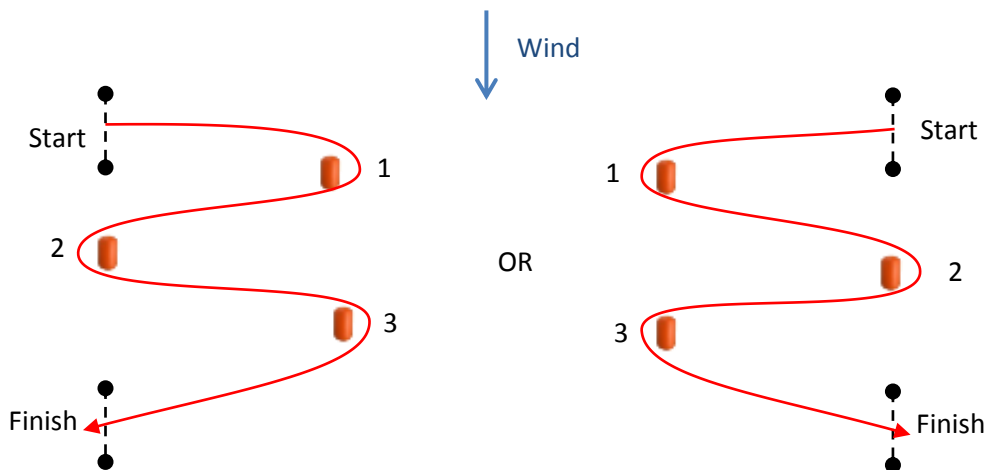
25.2 Competitors may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment, or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority.

Attachment A

Course Race (CR) Format: Start – 1 – P – Finish (Target Time 8min to 10min)



Slalom Race (SR) Format: Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – Finish (Target Time 3min to 5min)



Slalom Sprint Race (SSR) Format: Start – 1 – 2 – Finish (Target Time 2min to 3min)

