

2015 Windsurfing Classic

Sailing Instructions

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2013-2016 Windsurfing Competition Rules, the Notice of Race, and the Class Rules except as altered by these Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.2 Special Class Rules for Kona Class. For the Kona Class only, No-pumping is allowed and Marks may not be touched. See Kona class rule C.2.3 for Age/Gender/Weight Sail size divisions
- 1.3 This regatta is classified as a Category C Event in accordance with Regulation 20 – ISAF Advertising Code.

2 Entry

- 2.1 Eligible sailors may be entered by completing registration with the organizing authority and paying the appropriate entry fee as prescribed in the Notice of Race.
- 2.2 Only current USW members will earn USW NRT Ranking Points at this event.

3 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located at the Sarasota Sailing Squadron.

4 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 4.1 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted at or before the end of the competitors' briefing on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5 Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee Signal Boat. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. That is, the Start Sequence will begin not less than 30 minutes after the AP flag is removed.

6 Competition Format

- 6.1 Several races are planned with an on-shore break during each day of racing.
- 6.2 One of the races planned may be a long distance race. This race will be scored as two individual races.

7 Schedule of Races

- 7.1 Competitors meetings will be held at 1000 hrs on Saturday and 0900 hrs on Sunday.
- 7.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday is 1100 hrs and on Sunday is 1000 hrs.
- 7.3 Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.
- 7.4 Should conditions make it impossible to complete the scheduled number of races, the regatta shall be terminated and the results based on the races completed and scored.

8 Class Flags

- Class Flags will be announced at the skippers meeting.

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9 Racing Area

- 9.1 The Formula racing area will be generally north and east of the SSS, while it is anticipated that the non-Formula races will be held in the area to the South of the SSS between Ken Thompson Park and Bird Key Park.

10 The Courses

- 10.1 The diagrams in the Course Illustrations show the regular courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.2 The committee boat will display an H (High Wind Course) or L (Light Wind Course) before the start of each race indicating which course is to be sailed. (Except for Formula Sport which only has one course)
- 10.3 The long distance course will be presented at a meeting immediately preceding the race.
- 10.4 The start/finish line is closed to all sailors unless the sailor is starting or finishing.

11 Marks

- 11.1 Mark A and D are tetrahedrons.
- 11.2 Marks B and C are larger cylinders.
- 11.3 New marks as provided in sailing instruction 14, Change of the Position of the Next Mark, will be the same as original marks.

12 The Start

- 12.1 Races will be started using Rule 26.

Time before start	Signal	Flag	Sound
5 minutes	Warning	Class Flag*	1 horn
4 minutes	Preparatory	P, I, or Black Flags	1 horn
1 minute	One-minute	P, I, or Black removed	1 long horn
0 minutes	Start	Class Flag removed	1 horn

- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and a buoy.
- 12.3 The Start signal for one division will be the Warning signal for the next division.
- 12.4 In the event of a General Recall the postponement flag will be displayed and the starting sequence will restart with the fleet that was recalled.
- 12.5 Boats will not start later than four (4) minutes after their starting signal.
- 12.6 The order of class starts will be announced at the skippers meeting.

13 Change of the Position of the Next Mark

- 13.1 Minor changes of the position of marks will not be signaled.

14 The Finish

- 14.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on an RC and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 14.2 Boards failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class legally crosses the finish line will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rule 36.

15 Time Limit

- 15.1 The time limit for each regular race will be 40 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 15.2 The time limit for the long distance race will be announced.

16 Protests and Requests for Redress

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- 16.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 16.2 Protests shall be written on forms available on shore and delivered to the RC or Jury within 30 after the race committee boat docks.
- 16.3 The Protest time limit and a list of protests will be posted on the official notice board within 15 minutes of the end of protest time. This posting constitutes the notification required in RRS 61.1(b) and 63.2.

17 Scoring

- 17.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, RRS A2 will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score(s) discarded as follows:
 - 1 to 3 races = no throw out
 - 4 to 7 races = 1 throw out
 - 8 to 11 races = 2 throw outs
 - 12 or more races = 3 throw outs
- 17.2 The number of boats entered in the series shall be the number of boats finishing at least one race. This changes rule A4.2.
- 17.3 The long distance race will count and be scored as two individual races. One or both scores may be discarded if appropriate.
- 17.4 All boards in a division compete together using the same start and will be scored by class independent of division.

18 Disposal of Trash

- 18.1 Boats shall not discharge trash into the water. The penalty for breaking this rule will be at the discretion of the jury and may include adding points to a boat's score in the race or the series.

19 Safety Regulations

- 19.1 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, the Regatta Office immediately after arrival ashore.

20 Prizes

- 20.1 Prizes shall be awarded to the first 3 boards in each class if there are 5 or more registered in that class

21 Liability Waiver

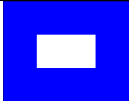

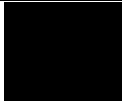
- 21.1 By filling out and signing the registration form, all those taking part in the regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organizing Committee and all parties involved with the organization of your event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in your event and any ancillary activity related to your event.

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Flags



Preparatory Flags (Raised at 4 minutes before start, and removed 1 minute before start.)

Normal (Dip starts permitted) (P)	No dip start (I) (may not cross the start/finish line during the last minute before the start, may exonerate by sailing around the end of the line and restarting.)	Disqualified if cross the start/finish line during the minute before the Start.
		

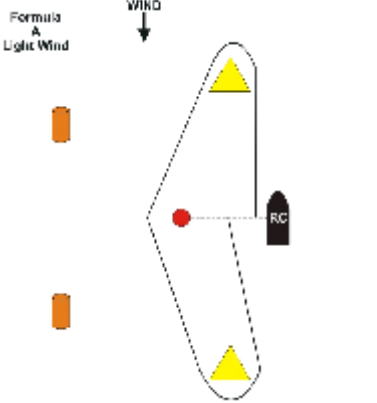
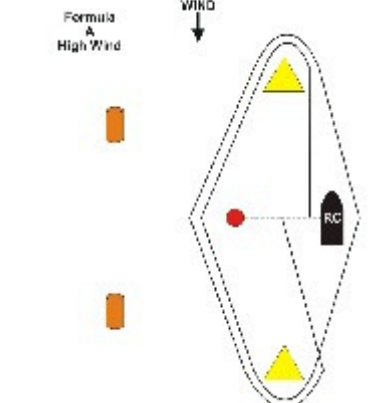
Recall Flags:

Individual (X)	General Recall (New start sequence after other fleets have started) (1 st Substitute)
	

Delay Flags:

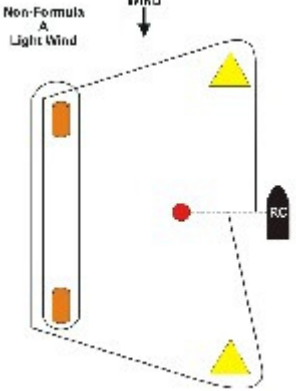
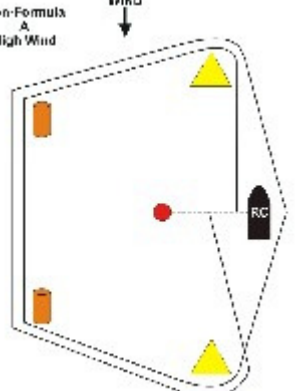
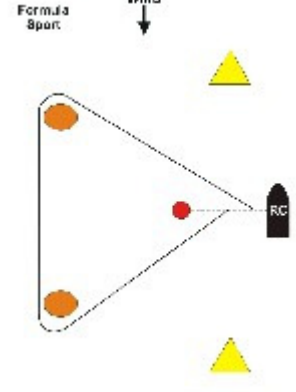
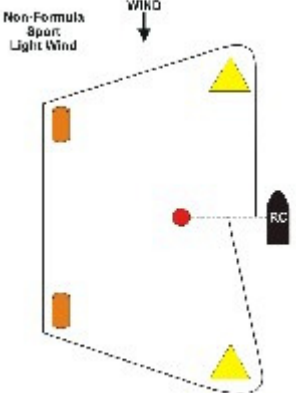
Postpone (Start sequence will start approximately 1 minute after this flag is removed)(answer)	Abandon (Races in progress, return to starting area)(N)
	

Courses

Class	Light Wind (L)	High wind (H)
Formula A	<p>Formula A Light Wind</p> 	<p>Formula A High Wind</p> 

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<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Formula A</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Formula A Light Wind</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Formula A High Wind</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Formula Sport</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Formula Sport</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Same as Light wind</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Formula Sport</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Formula Sport Light Wind</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Non-Formula Sport High Wind</p> 