2024 Ice and Snow Sailing World Championships

Notice of Race (NoR)

March 12 -16, 2024 Kajaani, Paltaniemi, Finland

Amended on Feb.20, 2024

Organizing Authority: Surfseura Kainuun Pläkä ja Plaani in co-operation with World Ice and Snow Sailing Association.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2021-2024) and amended in appendix B & F, suitable for ice and snow sailing.
- 1.2. The Winter Windsurfing Racing Rules (WWR) will apply.
- 1.3. In all rules governing this regatta:
 - 1.3.1. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a board. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
 - 1.3.2. [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury and may be less than disqualification.
- 1.4. Board (sleds, wings, kites) riders may be required to carry camera or sound devices supplied by the organizing authority. A board rider shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 1.5. All Support Persons (RRS Definition 'Support Person') are subject to the rules (RRS Definition 'Rule'), according to RRS 4 Acceptance of the Rules.

2. CLASSES and DISCIPLINES

- 2.1. Sleds with handheld sails (including mast and boom), i.e., standard windsurfing rigs:
 - 2.1.1. Course race (for open class)
 - 2.1.2. Short Track Slalom/STS (a sled with a tilting deck)
 - 2.1.3. GPS Speed
 - 2.1.5. Marathon (reserve).
- 2.2. Wings:
- 2.2.1. Course race (for open class)
- 2.2.2. Short Track Slalom/ STS (for wing with skates)
- 2.2.3. GPS Speed
- 2.2.4. Marathon (reserve).

- 2.3. Kites:
- 2.3.1. Course race
- 2.3.2. Freestyle
- 2.3.3. GPS speed
- 2.3.4. Marathon (reserve).
- 2.4. A minimum of five (5) competitors is required to constitute a class by discipline.

3. AGE DIVISIONS and SUBDIVISIONS

- 3.1. Overall
- 3.2. Women
- 3.3. Youth (U17) born in 2008 or later
- 3.4. Youth (U24) born in 2001 or later
- 3.5. Master born in 1983 or earlier
- 3.6. Grand Master born in 1973 or earlier
- 3.7. Veteran born in 1963 or earlier
- 3.8. One person can apply to one age division only. The age division group is locked at the end of the registration.
- 3.9. Subdivisions:
 - 3.9.1. Kites skis
 - 3.9.2. Kites snowboard
 - 3.9.3. Wings inflatable
- 3.10. A minimum of five (5) competitors is required to constitute a subdivision.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boards of the Winter Windsurfing classes (P.2) that complete the entry form, pay the full entry fee and has registered to the event.
- 4.2. The entry shall be made by registering to the event online and paying the entry fee. The registration is open from 1.1.2024 onwards, until the beginning of the event.
- 4.3. An entry is not valid until paid.
- 4.4. The following documentation will be required at Registration on site:
 - 4.4.1. Proof of age (passport or ID card).
 - 4.4.2. Proof of valid third-party liability Insurance.
 - 4.4.3. Parental permission (name of parent in entry form) for U17 and U24 competitors.
- 4.5. A class, discipline or division that has not been completed (min 5 competitors) by 29 of February 2024, may be canceled by the organizing authority.

5. ENTRY FEES

5.1.	Before the 1st of	From 1st to 20th of	After the 20th of
	February	February	February, and on-site.
Adult	230€	270€	300 €
Youth U17/U24	180€	220€	250€

- 5.2. Entry fee must be paid during entry following instructions specified on the event website.
- 5.3. Entry fee paid on site of the event shall be paid in cash only. No cards accepted.
- 5.4. The entry fee is non-refundable.

6. [DP] [NP] ADVERSTING

The competitors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

7. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

7.1. Helmets must be worn during competition and additional protective clothing is highly recommended.

8. [DP] [NP] ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION

- 8.1. For competitor identification, the Organizing Authority supply the event bib vests. The competitors must wear it during the racing.
- 8.2. When the Organizing Authority supplies the ranking-colored bib vests for event leaders (1st, 2nd, 3rd), the competitors must wear it during the racing for that day.
- 8.3. Bib vest must be worn outside other clothing while racing. Competitors shall not deliberately cut or tear them.

9. SCHEDULE

Monday, Mar 11

00:00 GPS speed race window is open

12:00 Preparations and training for WISSA 2024. GPS speed race window is open till Friday 17:00.

12:00-17:00 Registration

18:00 Opening ceremony

Tuesday, Mar 12

8:00-9:00 Registration

10:00 The skippers' meeting

11:00 The first possible warning signal for the first race

Wednesday Mar 13 to Friday Mar 15

9:30 The lycra ceremony and the skippers meeting

10:30 The first possible warning signal for the first race of the day

17:00 24:00 GPS speed race window is closed

Saturday, Mar 16

9:30 The lycra ceremony and the skippers meeting

10:30 The first possible warning signal for the first race of the day

15:00 The last possible warning signal

17:00 The prize giving ceremony

Organizer has a right to change the schedule by announcing it in advance.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board (ONB), located on event website (released on 15.12.2023) Manage2Sail.com.

11. VENUE

- 11.1. The event is going to be held on Lake Oulujärvi, Paltaniemi harbour area.
- 11.2. The Race Office is going to be on the shore, near of the racing area.

12. RACE FORMAT

- 12.1. The event has the following disciplines: course race, STS, GPS speed, freestyle (for kites only), and a marathon (reserve).
- 12.2. One (1) race is required to validate the event.
- 12.3. Men and women may race together.

12.4. Races	Scheduled per day	Max. per day	Total
Course race	6	6	12
STS eliminations series	10	12	24
GPS speed	No limit	No limit	Best 1 5 x 10 sec.
Freestyle eliminations	3	5	5
series			
Marathon	1	1	1

12.5. GPS speed equipment specifications:

12.5.1. The result of the fastest \pm 5x10 sec as measured by the rules described here - https://www.gps-icesailing.com/default.aspx?mnu=item&item=BasicRules . In the GPS speed discipline, no age or sex division segregation.

12.5.2. SSKPP (organizer) will not provide the GPS equipment or wires to download GPS data.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A amended with Appendix B will apply. The points for the first-place race shall be 0,7.
- 13.2. In STS a competitor disqualified (DNS, DNF, RET, DSQ) in race gets points as last in his heat, by this race starting sequence, except in last heat for all max points. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 13.3. Discards for course race:

1 – 3 races: 0 discard

4 – 6 races: 1 discard

7 – 10 races: 2 discards

11 - 12 races: 3 discards

13.4. Discards for Slalom (STS):

1 - 3 races: 0 discard

4 - 6 races: 1 discard

7 - 10 races: 2 discards

11 – 15 races: 3 discards

16 – 24 races: 4 discards

13.5. Any division or sub division in a class will be an extract from overall results without changing any race results or points.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Prizes will be awarded to the first three (3) competitors of each class and division.
- 14.2. The first one in class will be declared "2024 Ice and Snow Sailing World Champion".
- 14.3. The first in division will be declared "2024 Ice and Snow Sailing Division World Champion".

15. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and variable ice surface, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.
- 15.2. 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.

16. [DP] [NP] INSURANCE

Each participating board shall be insured with a valid third-party liability insurance.

17. MEDIA

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority 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 reproduction of them, taken during the period of the event as defined in Notice of Race, in which he/she participates, without compensation.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

For information regarding travel, transfers, and accommodation, kindly visit the event website.

Organizer takes no responsibility for travel or accommodation arrangements made in error.

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