



2024 Ice and Snow Sailing World Championships Sailing Instructions (SI)

March 12 - 16, 2024 Kajaani, Paltaniemi, Finland

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) 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. Boards (sleds, wings, kites) may be required to carry camera or sound devices supplied by the organizing authority. A board shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes RRS 62.1.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Last changes of the rules may be given orally on the starting line. A boat shall not be given redress based a claim related to this change. This changes RRS 62.1.




3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB), located on [M2S](#).
- 3.2. The Race Office is on the shore, near of the racing area.
- 3.3. Each day's class discipline and race location will be posted on official notice board by 21:00 on previous day.
- 3.4. GPS data for the GPS speed discipline must be uploaded to [GPS-icesailing.com](https://gps-icesailing.com) ([event WISSA2024](#)) not later than Saturday 16 March at 8:00am.
- 3.5. Freestyle elimination tables are located on <https://scoring.slaalom.ee/eliminations>

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

ICF AP is displayed ashore means: All races not started are postponed. Don't leave the shore before AP is lowered. Also "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 15 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

5. CLASS FLAGS

Class	Flag name	Visual view
Sleds	Flag «S»	
Kites	Flag «K»	
Wings	Flag «W»	

6. RACING AREA

6.1. The Racing area is shown on Addendum 2.

6.2. Racing spot for GPS-speedsurf discipline is the Lake Oulu.

6.3. The plan of the harbor and the areas for classes shown on addendum 3.

7. THE COURSES

The diagrams in Addendum No 1 shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8. MARKS AND LINES

8.1. Marks for course race are orange inflatable triangles and big flags. Starting line will be marked with big yellow and small red flags.

9.2.1. Mark 1 to 1A and 2 to 2A and 3 to 3a are not the gate-marks. The mark with addname A is an offset mark.

9.2.2. In a course race, a kite, sled or wing shall not touch the windward or leeward mark. This changes RRS 31.

8.2. Marks for STS are small colored flags. In the starts will be platforms, as a running ramp, for each competitor. The start acceleration area is marked with lines. Crossing the lines and running after platforms is not allowed. The finish line will be between blue flags.

9. THE START AND FINISH

9.1. For Sled and Wing class will be used Standing start.

9.2. The starting position for first races shall be organized randomly. For subsequent starts standing position depends from result of previous races.



9.3. In start of STS, the competitor must be in contact with the running platform minimum with one foot (skate).

9.4. The starting position for next Slalom heat, is determined by the results in previous race: first two competitors of each heat (except first heat) are moved one heat up and two last or disqualified competitors of each heat (except last) are moved one heat down. With nine or more competitors are moving three competitors.







9.5. In STS discipline will be used qualification round(s). The number of qualifying rounds is determined by the principal race official.

9.6. Starting signals: This changes RRS 26 and WWR rule 7.3.





9.6.1. STS signals:

Time	Visual Signals	Sound	Meaning
Not less than 3 min before start	Class Flag ↑  or 	1 peep	Attention Signal (discipline is open)
Approx. 1 min before start	Heat Flag ↑ 1 or 2 ..etc	multiple peeps	Warning Signal (take the places)
0 min (start)	No visual signal !!	1 peep	Starting signal
No fix time	Heat Flag ↓ 1 or 2 ..etc	-	Start is closed











9.6.2.Course race signals for Sled and Wing class:

Time	Visual Signals	Sound	Meaning
Not less than 5 min before start	Class Flag ↑  or 	1 peep	Attention Signal
Approx. 1 min before start	Flag „U“ ↑ 	multiple peeps	Warning Signal
0 min (start)	Flag „U“ ↓ 	1 peep	Starting Signal
Approx. 2 min after the start	Class Flag ↓  or 	-	Start is closed












9.6.3.Course race signals for Kite class:

Time	Visual Signals	Sound	Meaning
Not less than 2 min before start	Class Flag ↑ 	multiple peeps	Attention Signal
1 min before start	Flag «U» ↑ 	long peep	Preparatory Signal
0 min (start)	Flag «U» ↓ 	peep	Starting Signal
Approx. 2 min after the start	Class Flag ↓ 	-	Start is closed

9.6.4.Marathon signals for all classes:

Time	Visual Signals	Sound	Meaning
Approx. 5 min before start	Class Flags ↑   	multiple peeps	Warning Signal
0 min (start)	The “Rabbit” start !!	long peep	Starting Signal
60 min after t start	Blue flags ↑  	peep	Finish is open
Max 30 min after the first finish	All flags ↓     	-	Finish is closed

9.6.5.Freestyle signals:

Time	Visual Signals	Sound	Meaning
-	AP ↑ 	two peeps	Delay/Finish
Approx . 1 min before warning	AP ↓  or «N» ↓ 	peep	1 min to warning
	Flag «N» ↑ 	3 peeps	Cancellation
1 min before start	 ↑	multiple peeps	Warning
30 sec before start	 ↓  ↑	-	Preparatory Signal
0 min (start)	 ↓  ↑	peep	Start
1 min before finish	 ↓	-	Preparatory Signal
Finish	AP ↑ 	two peeps	Delay/Finish

10. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

Discipline	Time limit	Target time	Finish window
STS	6 min	3 min	2 min
Course race	30 min	15 min	10 min
Marathon	90 min	60 min	30 min

11. [DP] KITES PROPULSION AND FREESTYLE FORMAT

11.1. Riders in pre-start zone are prohibited to make purposeful stop more than 3 seconds during last minute before start. "Stepping", "sliding" "plow movement" when moving forward doesn't break this rule.

By breaking this rule a ride gets:

for the 1st violation – warning;

for the 2nd violation – disqualification for this race.

11.2. Race officer fixes the violation by whistling and waving a small red flag to the violator.

11.3. In freestyle everyone has max 5 attempts. The best 4 attempts are counted.

11.4. Mandatory condition – 1 trick from flat, 1 trick from the kicker, 1 trick on the slider will be counted. Two trick is free, can be from any category.

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

12.1. RRS 61 will apply, including following amendment: Boat shall inform the Race Committee of her intention to protest immediately after she finishes or retires.

12.2. For each racing area, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to request for redress. This changes RRS 61.3. and 62.2. Hearing forms are available at the Regatta Office.

12.3. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform boats of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Time schedule of the hearings will be posted within the same time. Hearings will be held in Protest Committee room.

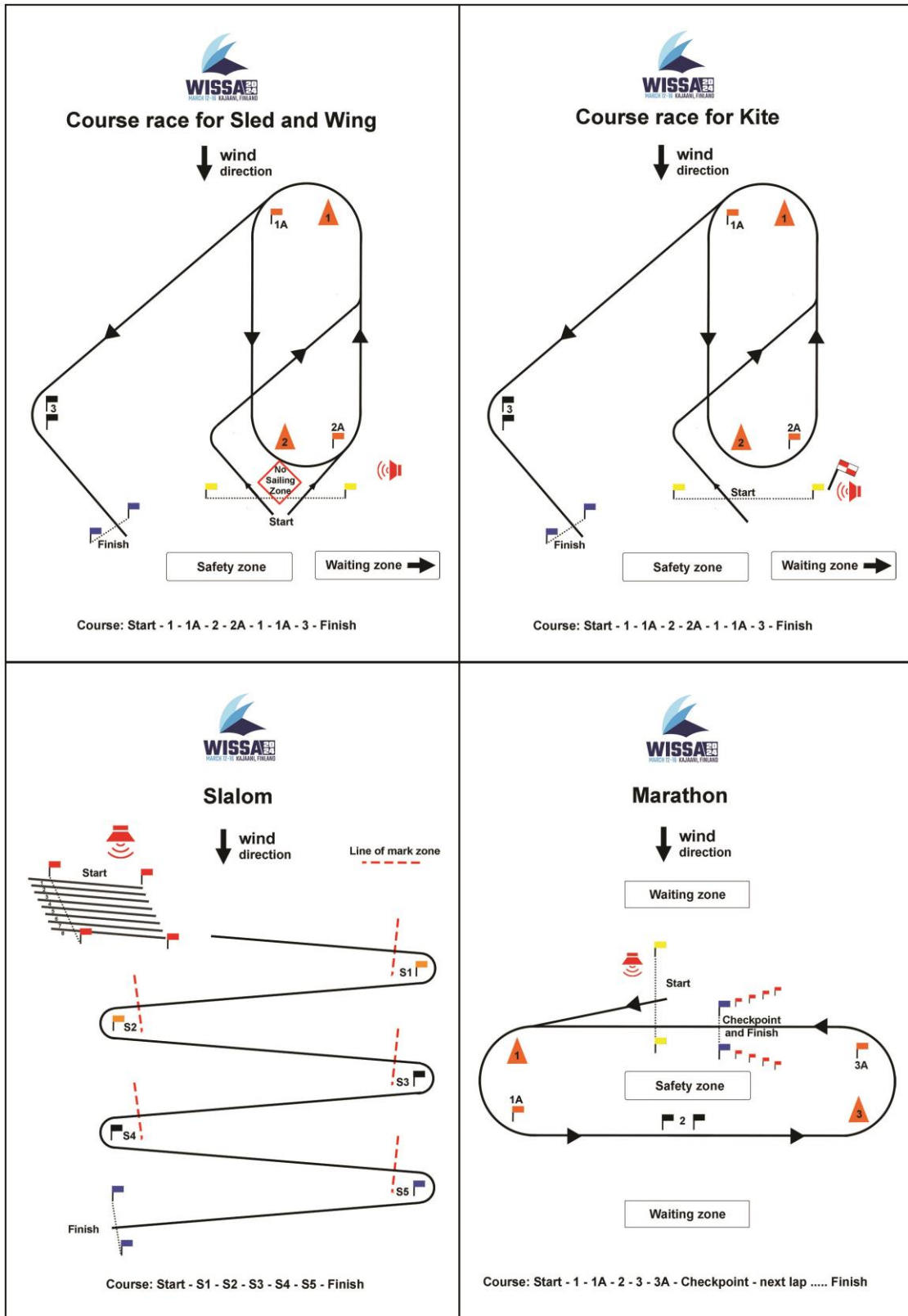
12.4. [DP] During STS competition protests according WWR 4., 6., 7.4., 7.5. and 7.6. can only be made orally immediately after an incident. After oral protest, the referee shall decide whether to penalize any competitor. In case of contact between competitors, the competitor(s) whose actions do not comply with rules 7.4, 7.5, 7.6, may be disqualified by referee if consequences of the contact lead to disadvantage to other competitor(s), causes harm to a competitor(s) / equipment or causes threat to injury.

13. [DP] [NP] RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1. 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.

13.2. 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.

Addendum No 1



Addendum No 2



Addendum No 3

