

# Sailing Instructions

## OPEN DUTCH CHAMPIONSHIP

*Open Nederlandse Kampioenschap*

## Wave Performance Windsurfing Class

*(ONKWave)*

# 2017

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**Nederlandse Vereniging van Wedstrijdsurfers (NVW)**

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Glossary:

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

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

## 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including Appendix B
- 1.2. The Rules for Championships Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding", will apply
- 1.3. The International Funboard Class Association (IFCA) Championship Rules shall apply.
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5. Every person on board who has his domicile in the Netherlands shall be a member of a Yachtclub or other body affiliated to the RNSA and shall have the appropriate license.

## 2. REGISTRATION

- 2.1. Competitors shall register every weekend by completing an official registration form.
- 2.2. Competitors shall register and use only the distinguishing letter(s) and sail number indicated on the racing licence certificate. Requests to use a different sail number during racing shall be lodged with the Regatta Office in writing not later than 30 minutes before the start of the first race of the day. The RC will only consider such request(s) if it is convinced that the original number cannot be applied to the sail(s) concerned.

## 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located near the race office.

## 4. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Any change to the SI will be posted not later than 20 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 20.00.

## 5. RACE SIGNALS

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flag pole near the notice board.
- 5.2. When flag AP  is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 15 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 5.3. When flag Y  is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.
- 5.4. If no division flags are shown the signals will apply to all divisions

## 6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The race schedule for the Dutch Open Championships Overall 2017 in the windsurfing disciplines Wave will be:
  - a) 9:30 End of registration
  - b) 9:45 Skippers meeting

c) 10:15 First possible start 10.15

6.2. The schedule is subject to alteration

6.3. At the discretion of the Race Committee, races may be rescheduled.

6.4. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

6.5. There will be a maximum of 3 races/eliminations per day

6.6. The numbering of the races/eliminations shall be in order of sailing.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1. The class flags will be posted on the official noticeboard at least 20 minutes before the first possible starting signal.

## 8. RACING AREA [NP] [DP]

8.1. The racing area will be posted not later than 20 minutes before the starting time of the race or races concerned.

8.2. Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.

## 9. HEAT SIGNALS

9.1. Starting a heat, each flag shall be removed when the next flag is displayed.

<i>Minutes before start signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
1 minute before start of transition	Heat number	None	
start of transition	Red flag	One	Warning signal
1	Yellow flag	One	Preparatory signal
0	Green flag	One	Starting signal

9.2. Ending a heat

<i>Minutes before ending signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
1	Green flag removed	One	End warning
0	Red flag	One	End of the heat

9.3. The duration of a heat and the transition will be decided by the Head judge in agreement with the race director and posted on the Official Noticeboard not later than 20 minutes before the heats concerned.

9.4. At the discretion of the Head judge heats can be extended.

- 9.5. An extension of the heat with 2 minutes will be shown by displaying a green and a yellow flag not later than 1 minute before the scheduled ending of the heat. 1 minute before the extended ending of the heat the extension flags will be lowered.

## 10. PROTESTS

- 10.1. Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing; they shall be made orally to a member of the protest committee as soon as reasonably possible following the race concerned. The protest committee may take evidence in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
- 10.2. The location of the Jury shall be ashore near the Race office.
- 10.3. 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”.
- 10.4. Boards retiring from racing after finishing shall inform the race committee immediately after she finishes.
- 10.5. Add new RRS 64.1(e): “When there is a minor and unavoidable contact, rule 64.1(a) does not apply and no board shall be penalized. RRS 66 is changed by adding rule 66.1”.
- 10.6. 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.
- 10.7. On the last scheduled day of a (long) weekend of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered.
- 10.8. Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day.
- 10.9. Not later than 15 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.
- 10.10. This changes RRS 66.
- 10.11. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 15 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 10.12. A request for correction of an error in the published results shall be delivered within the protest time limit or within 45 minutes after the publication if it is later. The protest time limit for rejection of the request is 30 minutes after the boat has been informed of the rejection. This changes RRS 62.2.

## 11. SCORING

- 11.1. The low point scoring system of RRS A4, however the points for the first place shall be 0,7
- 11.2. All competitors who did not start or finished, but are registered for the race shall score DNS. All competitors who are not registered for the race shall score DNC. This changes RRS A11.
- 11.3. To constitute a championship it is required to complete one races/elimination including the semi-final and final.
- 11.4. The discard profile will be (and changes RRS B8-A2);

Races	Worst scores excluded
1 – 2	0
3 – 5	1
6 – 8	2
9 – 12	3
13 or more	4

## 12. JUDGING

- 12.1. Judging of the competitors is based on:
- Wave Riding, Jumping and Transitions can be awarded different factors to contribute to the overall impression.
  - Judging of competitors is based on:
    - Difficulty: Each trick is graded according how difficult it is to execute;
    - Diversity: The number of different types of tricks performed;
    - Technical skills: The quality of the execution of a move or trick;
    - Choreography: Do the tricks flow together smoothly and gracefully?;
    - Showmanship: Are you a crowd pleaser?
  - The number of manoeuvres, the number of categories to be counted towards the result, the multiplication factor of each category and the priority category shall be decided by the Head Judge and posted on the Official Noticeboard at least 20 minutes before the heats concerned.
  - When there is a tie in total points awarded by a judge the tie will be broken in favour of the competitor who has the higher single score in the priority category.
- 12.2. Only those moves performed within the competition area and during the heat time limits will be scored.

## 13. SAFETY REGULATIONS [NP] [DP]

- 13.1. 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).
- 13.2. Support boat crew member, and, if conditions require it, competitors, shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50).
- 13.3. The management of a board and the care of the safety on board as well as the responsibility for the necessary insurance is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner or the person entering the board.
- 13.4. If either one of the signals 'N'  over H' , '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.

- 13.5. Returning to other places is allowed only in case of emergency. If a board returns to a different place, the Regatta Office shall be informed as soon as possible.
- 13.6. While afloat it is strongly recommended to wear adequate personal buoyancy aids under all circumstances. A dry suit or a wet suit is not considered an adequate buoyancy aid.

#### **14. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 14.1. Replacement of competitors will not be allowed.
- 14.2. Replacement of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### **15. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 15.1. The equipment has to comply with the Class Rules,
- 15.2. 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.
- 15.3. The sail numbers shall comply with RRS 77. The white background as prescribed in RRS B9-G1.3(a) is not obligatory if the sail numbers are placed at different heights on the two sides of the sail those on the starboard side being uppermost.
- 15.4. As prescribed in RRS G1.2 The National letters and sail numbers shall be in capital letters and Arabic numerals, clearly legible and of the same colour. Commercially available typefaces giving the same or better legibility than Helvetica are acceptable with a minimum height of 230 mm.

#### **16. EVENT ADVERTISING [NP] [DP]**

- 16.1. Competitors are required to wear the advertising vest, provided by the organizer at the registration, while racing and training and on the race site. In case of loss or damage of the original Lycra vest a new Lycra vest can be collected at the race office. A refundable deposit of 25 euro shall be paid and returned if the spare Lycra vest is returned undamaged at the end of the event.
- 16.2. The lycra vest shall be worn outside other clothing when going afloat for training or racing.
- 16.3. Organizers sail stickers are mandatory on all sails applied back-to-back.
- 16.4. The sticker shall not be cut or adopted in any way

#### **17. SUPPORT BOATS [NP] [DP]**

- 17.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

#### **18. TRASH DISPOSAL [NP] [DP]**

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

## **19. PRIZES**

- 19.1. Winners of the overall scoring in the divisions “Overall” will be awarded “Dutch Champion Wave 2017”, provided the division has sixteen or more competitors. They will receive the “Watersportverbond blue pennant” and a medal.
- 19.2. For each class and division prizes are available for:
- First competitor when 1 - 4 competitors in the division
  - First two competitors when 5 - 7 competitors in the division
  - First three competitors when 8 or more competitors in the division.

## **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 20.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. 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.

## **21. INSURANCE**

- 21.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,000.000 euro per incident or the equivalent.

## **22. OFFICIALS**

- 22.1. Principal Race Officer      Eric Kling
- 22.2. Head judge                      Jan-Willem Eckhart

## **23. REGATTA OFFICE**

- 23.1. The Regatta Office is marked with the sign “REGATTA OFFICE”. The normal opening hours are 09.00 - 17.00

## **24. SHORE REGULATIONS [NP] [DP]**

- 24.1. The instructions of the RC or the Beach master shall be strictly obeyed.
- 24.2. Unless otherwise directed by the organising authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.
- 24.3. The traffic rules, in particular those concerning parking will be strictly enforced.
- 24.4. Camping is only allowed in designated camping areas. Camping in campers or vans on the streets or in parking lots is not allowed.