



# NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## OPEN DUTCH CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

FORMULA WINDSURFING YOUTH AND MEN

## NVW CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

FORMULA WINDSURFING WOMEN

Organised by:

### Nederlandse Vereniging van Wedstrijdsurfers

under the auspices of the Royal Netherlands Watersports Association

Date	Location	Venues
May 27 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	Markermeer	Lelystad
September 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	IJsselmeer	Medemblik
November 4 <sup>th</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup>	IJmeer	Almere

Dates may be canceled or locations changed up to 2 weeks before a weekend due to government COVID regulations or unforeseen circumstances. The latest information will be published on the [NVW website](#) and the [NVW Facebook](#)



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[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee

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

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing”

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## 1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in [Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#). The Prescriptions of the RNWA can be found at: <https://www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/racing-rules-of-sailing/>
- 1.2. The ‘Rules for Championships Sailing, Windsurfing and Kiteboarding’ (available at [reglement-voor-kampioenschappen](#) (watersportverbond.nl) will apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the text in the English language will take precedence.
- 1.4. Every person on board who has his domicile in the Netherlands shall have the appropriate license.
- 1.5. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.

## 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The event is open to all boards of the Formula Windsurfing Class Foil Division (including IQFoil)
- 2.2. The event is NOT open to participants of Russian or Belarusian nationality.
- 2.2. Boards may enter the event at the latest on the Thursday before the race weekend in question by registering online at [inschrijfformulier](#). The required fee shall be transferred to the following bank account: IBAN NL36 INGB 0001 3471 87. **Please state competitor name, class and sail number.**
- 2.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a board shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 2.4. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: Until **9.30** on the day of racing with an extra charge of 15 euro.
- 2.5. The following divisions apply:
  - a. Men (born before 2004),
  - b. Women ,
  - c. Youth under the age of 20 (born in or after 2004).
- 2.6. The following subdivisions apply:
  - a. Master over de age of 40 (born in or before 1983),
  - b. Grandmaster over the age of 50 (born in or before 1973),
  - c. Youth women U20 (born in or after 2004)
  - d. Junior U17 (born in 2007 or 2008),
  - e. Junior U15 (born after 2008).
- 2.7. A minimum of 15 competitors are required to constitute a division
- 2.8. A minimum of 5 competitors are required to constitute a subdivision



### 3. FEES

3.2. Entry fees are as follows:

<i>Division</i>	<i>Fee per weekend</i>
Senior and Master member of the NVW	75,00 euro
Youth and Junior member of the NVW	75,00 euro
Senior and Masters <b>not</b> a member of the NVW	90,00 euro
Youth and Junior <b>not</b> a member of the NVW	90,00 euro

3.3. Other fees:

Late entries (see NOR 2.4) shall pay an extra fee of € 15,00.

### 4. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Not Applicable

### 5. SCHEDULE

5.1. All registered competitors shall report their participation on the Saturday of a racing weekend between 9.00 and 9.30 at the Race Office.

5.2. Equipment inspection and event measurement: Competitors shall be available with their board on the Saturday of a racing weekend at 9.00.

5.3. Dates of racing:

<i>Date</i>	<i>First possible warning signal</i>	<i>Skippersmeeting</i>
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	11.00	10.00
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	9.00
September 23 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00	10.00
September 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	9.00
November 4 <sup>th</sup>	11.00	10.00
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	9.00

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5.4. Number of races:



Class	Races per day Scheduled	Races per day included heatracing
Formula Windsurfing	6	8

- 5.5. A daily skippers meeting will be 60 minutes before the first possible warning signal at that day.
- 5.6. To alert boards 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.
- 5.7. No warning signal will be made on Sundays after 18.00, except on the last day of racing when no warning signal will be made after 16.00

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. The Class flags are:

*Class*

*Flag*

*Formula Windsurfing*



## 7. RACING FORMAT

- 7.1. The racing format is fleet racing with heat racing in low wind conditions
- 7.2. Divisions and Subdivisions shall race together.
- 7.3. [NP] The minimum wind limit will be 7 knots.

## 8. SCORING AND JUDGING

- 8.1. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 8.2. RRS A5.3 applies.
- 8.3. After finishing the finals a heat racing elimination will be scored as one race.
- 8.4. The discard profile will be:

Races	Worst scores excluded
1-3	0
4-6	1
7-10	2
11-15	3
16-20	4



21 or more

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This modifies RRS A2

## 9. VENUE AND RACING AREA

9.1. The race office is located at the following address:

Date	Location	Address event venues
May 27 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	Markermeer	Hoekipadijk Markerstrekdam Lelystad
September 24 <sup>th</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup>	IJsselmeer	Vooroever 9 1671 SG Medemblik
November 4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>	IJmeer	Muiderzand Marinaweg 163, 1361 AH Almere

9.2. The normal opening hours of the race office are 09:00 – 17:00.

9.3. Unless otherwise directed by the organising authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

9.4. The traffic rules, in particular those concerning parking will be strictly enforced.

## 10. OBSTRUCTIONS, RACING AREA AND COURSES

10.1. The areas which are designated as obstructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB).

10.2. The racing area is the area where competitors are racing in normal conditions.

10.3. Boards not racing shall stay approximate 75 meters outside the racing area.

10.4. The course diagram, as well as the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed and the way in which the course is designated from the race committee board, will be posted at least 20 minutes before the first warning signal of the relevant race.

10.4. Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

10.5. Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

## 11.1. MARKS

11.2. The marks of the course will be yellow triangular buoys.

The starting and finishing marks will be yellow cylindrical buoys

## 12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.

## 13. START AND FINISH

13.2. Starting signals:




<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>	<i>Visual signal</i>	<i>Sound signal</i>	<i>Means</i>
3	Class flag	One	Warning signal
2	P, I, U or black	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

This changes RRS 26

- 13.3. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 13.4. A board that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 13.5. In the last 30 seconds before the starting signal:
- a. all boards shall sail in the pre-start zone in the direction of the first mark;
  - b. a board approaching from outside the pre-starting zone is not entitled to room or mark-room and shall keep clear of boards inside the pre-start zone;
  - c. a board that stops, slows down significantly, or one that is not making significant forward progress shall keep clear of all others, except when accidentally capsized.

Pre-start zone: The area formed by the starting line and the extensions of the lines from the first mark to the starting marks. During a starting sequence, the pre-start zone is part of the course area.

- 13.6. The finishing line is between a staff displaying a checkered  flag on the finishing vessel and the finishing mark.

#### 14. TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

- 14.1. The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

	Race Target time	Finishing Window
Course racing	15 minutes	15 minutes
Heat racing	4 minutes	4 minutes



- 14.2. The Finishing Window is the time for boards to finish after the first board sails the course and finishes. Boards failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A board scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last board that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 14.3. Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

#### 15. COMMUNICATION AND SIGNALS MADE ASHORE




- 15.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in front of the Race Office.
- 15.2. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a board shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boards.











For the sole purpose of tracking; the use of recording equipment, tracking and GPS devices is permitted. These devices shall not be used to support a board in making strategic or tactical decisions while racing. While racing the screens shall be covered and the sound signals switched off.

- 15.3. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole in front of the Race Office.
- 15.4. When flag AP  is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 15 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 15.5. If no class flags or racing area flags are shown the signals will apply to all classes and race courses.
- 15.6. When Flag "L"  is displayed on the finish vessel the new warning signal of this class will be as soon as possible after the finish procedure.

## 16. **CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 16.1. Any change to the sailing instructions and the Local Sailing Instructions (LSI) will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted
  - within the protest time limit or
  - before AP  over A  is displayed whichever is later.
- 16.2. If oral instructions or changes to the sailing instructions will be given on the water, flag L  shall be shown at least 5 minutes before the instructions or changes. Sufficient effort has to be made to inform all the competitors involved.

## 17. **[NP][DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1. [DP] A board that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. Promptly after returning to shore, the board shall complete a retirement declaration form, which is available at the Race Office.
- 17.2. [SP] Flotation devices: When flag "Y"  is displayed, every competitor shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50). A penalty of 5 points may be imposed without a hearing for every race sailed without the prescribed flotation device
- 17.3. [NP] [DP] If either one of the signals "N"  over H"  , "N over A"  , "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 reasonably possible.
- 17.4. [NP] [SP] Competitors in the Formula Windsurfing class shall wear a helmet with the minimum standard EN1385 or EN1077 or equivalent with at least 300 square centimetres of the exterior surface in a high visibility colour at all times when afloat. A penalty of 5 points may be imposed without a hearing for every race sailed without the prescribed helmet.
- 17.5. Competitors in the Formula Windsurfing class are strongly recommended to wear an impact vest.

## 18. **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION, CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT AND REPLACEMENT**

- 18.1. Each board shall have an unique World Sailing registration number.



- 18.2. [NP] [SP] The Equipment inspectors will pay special attention to sail identification rule compliance. A penalty of 1 point may be imposed without a hearing for every race sailed with sail numbers that are not complying.
- 18.3. [DP] Boards shall also comply with RRS 78.1[when presented for inspection.
- 18.4. A competitor's clothing and equipment shall not weigh more than 9 kilograms, as permitted by RRS 50.1(b) and Classrule C3.2
- 18.5. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee. Replacement of the responsible person is not allowed.
- 18.6. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.
- 18.7. A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules, Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 18.8. [DP] When instructed by a race official on the water, a board shall proceed to a designated area for inspection.

## 19. **HEARING REQUESTS**

- 19.1. The protest time limit is 15 minutes after the last board finishes the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 19.2. Hearing request forms are available from the race office at Race Office.
- 19.3. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located near the Race Office, beginning as posted on the ONB.
- 19.4. A request for correction of an error in the published results must be delivered within the protest time limit of the last scheduled day of racing or within 30 minutes after posting of the results, if this is later. When the request is not granted, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the board is informed that the request is not granted. This change RRS. 62.2.

## 20. **ADVERTISING [NP] [DP]**

- 20.1. Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority while afloat.
- 20.2. The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear while afloat as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.  
[DP] Competitors and support persons shall place advertising provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

## 20. **[DP] SUPPORT TEAMS**

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





## 21. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 21.1. Trash may be placed aboard of the official or support persons vessels.

## 22. PRIZES

- 22.1. The winning board in the Formula Windsurfing Class in the division Men shall be declared: **“Dutch Champion Formula Windsurfing Men 2023”**.
- 22.2. The winning board in the Formula Windsurfing Class in the division Youth shall be declared: **“Dutch Champion Formula Windsurfing Youth 2023”**.
- 22.3. The winning board in the Formula Windsurfing Class in the division Women shall be declared: **“NVW Class Champion Formula Windsurfing Women 2023”**.
- 22.4. The RNWA supplies for the winning board or team in the Men and Youth division a blue pennant and a medal for every member of the crew of the first three boards or crews.
- 22.5. Overall and other prizes will be given depending on the number of competitors at the discretion of the organising authority.

## 23. INSURANCE

- 23.1. Each participating board shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 1.500.000 or the equivalent per incident.

## 24. RISK STATEMENT

- 24.1. RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a board’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 rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, board handling errors, poor seamanship by other boards, 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.
- 24.2. 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.

## 25. DATA PROTECTION

- 25.1. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

## 26. ORGANISATION

- 26.1. Officials

The race officer is:

Eric Kling

The chairman of the protest committee  
is:

Dieter van der Schilden



The chairman of the technical committee      Wouter Wessels  
is:

27.      **FURTHER INFORMATION**

27.1.      Camping is only allowed in designated camping areas. Camping in campers or vans on the streets or in parking lots is not allowed.

27.2.      For further information please contact  
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Email: [info@wedstrijdsurfen.nl](mailto:info@wedstrijdsurfen.nl)