



NOTICE OF RACE

2023 IFCA Slalom Open Nordic Championships

17 – 18 June 2023,
Hvide Sande, Denmark

www.WaterZ.dk

Organised by:

**Ringkøbing Sejlklub
and WaterZ**

in co-operation with

**International Funboard Class Association
and the Danish Boardsailing Organisation**

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event including the

2023 IFCA FIN SLALOM OPEN NORDIC CHAMPIONSHIP

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1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the [Windsurfing Slalom Racing Rules \(WSRR\)](#).
- 1.2 The national prescriptions of the Nordic and Danish sailing federations will apply.
- 1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.4 The International Funboard Class Association ([IFCA Championship Rules](#)) shall apply.
- 1.5 In [IFCA class rule](#) A.9.1 and B.1.2 “World Sailing registered iQFoil, Formula and Wave boards” are added.
- 1.6 In IFCA class rule D.1.2, board max. width is changed from 911 mm to 1005 mm.

2 ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. World Sailing Regulation 20 ‘Advertising Code’ shall apply.
- 2.2 Event branding shall be worn if requested by the organiser.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 Championship Gender divisions– Men and Women.
- 3.2 **Age Sub-divisions:**
 - 3.2.1 A Junior shall be a competitor under the age of 17 (born 2007 or later).
 - 3.2.1 Youth U19 shall be a competitor under the age of 19 (born 2005 or later).
 - 3.2.2 Youth U21 shall be under the age of 21 (born in or after 2003).
 - 3.2.3 Master shall be over the age of 40 (born 1982 or earlier).
 - 3.2.4 A Grand Master shall be over the age of 50 (born 1972 or earlier).
- 3.3 A competitor can score in all relevant sub-divisions that are starting together (e.g., a U17 will also score in U19)
- 3.4 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a prize division.
- 3.5 A minimum of 15 competitors is required to constitute an official championship division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries shall meet requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.
- 4.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association which is a paid-up member of the international class association, or of the IWA.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors may enter online at: dbo.klub-modul.dk - credit/debit card payment required. Entry closes on May 31st 2023.
- 4.4 An entry is not valid until it is paid.
- 4.5 The maximum number of entries is 48. Maximum number of entries from any one country is 24.
- 4.6 The following shall be presented at registration upon request:
 - Evidence of valid third-party insurance
 - Proof of age
 - Proof of membership of National Class Association
 - Proof of membership of sailing club (member of the relevant World Sailing MNA/federation)

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is: 400 DKK, except for Youth U21, U19 and U17 for which it is 300 DKK.
- 5.2 Late entries after May 31st will incur a 200 DKK surcharge.
- 5.3 Late entries after June 13th will incur a 400 DKK surcharge.
- 5.4 Entry fees paid at registration shall also be paid online.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championships shall be Open slalom racing, “open entry” event in wind conditions less than 18 knots (this changes championship rule 9). The Championships shall be Open and Fin slalom racing, “open entry” event in wind conditions more than 11 knots. In wind conditions from 11 knots to 18 knots the Championships shall be Open or Fin slalom racing, “open entry” event at the discretion of the principal race officer (this changes championship rule 9).
- 6.2 All competitors will compete in Open. Participation in Fin only discipline is optional.
- 6.3 Men, women and youth may race together or separately depending on number of entries.
- 6.4 Competitors may race a maximum 6 eliminations per day per discipline except for any division that sail in single fleets.
- 6.5 One completed slalom elimination (including A final) is required to validate a championship.

7 SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Subject
Saturday	June 17 th	08:00	Race office opens
		08:00 – 9:30	Registration
		10:00	Skippers’ meeting
		11:00	First Possible Warning signal
Sunday	June 18 th	09:00	Skippers’ meeting
		10:00	First Possible Warning signal
		17:00	Last possible warning signal
		ASAP	Prize giving

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An [Equipment inspection Form](#) shall be completed by each competitor and submitted June 13th.
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3 Sail Identification Compliance. The race committee will pay attention to sail identification rule. A discretionary penalty of 1 point may be imposed for every slalom elimination sailed with sail numbers that are not complying.
- 8.4 Competitors using an iQFoil sail can in this sail choose to comply with iQFoil class rule H.2 instead of WSRR app. G.2.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available no later than June 16th at www.dbo.dk. Changes to the Sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board and/or on championship [WhatsApp group](#).

Oral instructions can in exceptional cases be given by the principal race officer or the race director for the relevant course. Oral sailing instructions will be given either by the heat elimination ladder or the starting vessel, accompanied by signal flag " L". The usual time limit for changes of sailing instructions does not apply for oral changes, however all participants must have a fair chance to receive the message. Oral changes to sailing instructions will be confirmed on the official noticeboard as soon as possible.

Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 on the day before it will take effect.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the IFCA Championship Rules or as prescribed in the sailing instructions or published on the official notice board (ONB).

11 PROTEST COMMITTEE

A Protest committee will be appointed. There shall be no appeal from their decisions (see WSRR 70).

12 SCORING

12.1 Scoring will be according to the WSRR Appendix A.

12.2 All competitors will score in the Open discipline.

12.3 All races will count towards the result of the Open discipline.

12.4 Only races indicated suitable for fin slalom by the race committee will count for the Fin discipline result.

12.5 Competitors in the fin division cannot use foil equipment in races indicated suitable for fin slalom.

12.6 Competitors using foil equipment in races suitable for fin slalom will score only in the Open division but will race and qualify in the elimination ladders also for races suitable for fin slalom. Points for competitors in the fin discipline will not be reduced.

12.7 For races indicated not suitable for fin slalom, all competitors can choose to compete on fin or foil, scoring in the Open division.

12.8 For the Danish Championships, only races indicated suitable for fin slalom will be counted. If no races suitable for fin slalom are completed in the series, races indicated not suitable for fin-slalom will be counted.

13 COACHES & SUPPORT BOATS

Coaches and support boats shall be registered with the organiser. Support boat drivers shall have a valid boat licence and third-party liability insurance.

14 SAFETY

14.1 As per Danish law, all competitors and support boat crewmembers **must wear a personal flotation device** that shall conform to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50). This changes the class rules.

14.2 Every competitor shall also always wear an impact vest and a helmet when afloat for both open and fin disciplines, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. If the impact vest is ISO 12402-5 certified, no additional life vest is required. This changes the class rules.

14.3 Any helmet suitable for water sports can be used, independent of colour. This changes the class rules.

15 PRIZES & TITLES

15.1 At the discretion of the organizer, trophies may be awarded to the first three competitors in both disciplines and each valid division, depending on number of entries by May 31st.

15.2 The first competitor in a well-constituted championship division (with a minimum of 15 competitors) shall be declared:

- **“2023 IFCA Fin Slalom Nordic Champion – Men/Women/Youth U19/...”**
- **“2023 IFCA Open Slalom Nordic Champion – Men/Women/Youth U19/...”**

There will be no separate prizes for the Danish Championship as this event is only stage 1 of the series.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event’s social functions. Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non-attendance at the prize giving ceremony.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WSRR 4 - Decision to Race. The organising authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating competitor shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,300,000 Euro per event or the equivalent.

19 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organising Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use, modify 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, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 Registration will be at the regatta office at the event site at [WestWind Nord](#).

20.2 For further information please contact: Katrine Frandsen, katrine@virkekraft.dk and/or Nikolaj Kruppa formand@dbo.dk.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

The following information is not part of the rules for the Event.

A ACCOMMODATION

It is recommended to book either a:

Summer house: www.esmark.dk,

Campground: www.hvidesandecamping.dk or

Hotel: <https://hssh.dk>

B PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Ringkøbing Fjord is separated from the North Sea by a narrow spit of land, ensuring flat water with some of the best wind conditions in Denmark. Wind conditions will however vary depending on low pressures. Temperatures in June are generally moderately warm, typically adequate for a short-sleeve wetsuit.

C RACING AREA

If conditions allow, racing will take place from the event site at "Hvide Sande Nord", sufficiently east to ensure suitable water depth for foils (seabed is shallow but soft with no rocks). Depending on conditions, racing can be moved to near the port of Ringkøbing or Hvide Sande or other suitable racing area.