

DBO Championship Rules IFCA 2024 (DBO-CR IFCA)

1 PURPOSE AND ORGANISATION

- 1.1 The purpose of this document is to provide the basic rules to be applied for the regattas counting for the Series of the DIF, DS and DBO Danish Championship of the IFCA Slalom Class.
- 1.2 This document is to be referenced from the NoR and SI.
- 1.3 The Danish Championships are to be based on a series of individual regattas, organised by Windsurfing and Sailing Clubs under the Danish Sailing Association (“Danish Championship Series”).
- 1.4 The regattas to be included in the Danish Championship Series (“Regattas”) will be published on <https://dbo.dk/foil-kurs-slalom/>. It is the intention to publish the series with at least 3 months’ notice but cancellations and changes during the season can occur.

2 RULES AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Regattas in the Danish Championship Series shall be governed by
- 2.2 The [IFCA Slalom Championship Rules](#) (ICR),
- 2.3 The [Windsurf Slalom Racing Rules](#) (WSRR) by World Sailing and the national prescriptions of the Nordic and Danish sailing federations,
- 2.4 The IFCA Class Rules with the DBO amendments, see DBO Equipment Rules on [DBO homepage](#).
- 2.5 The Sailing Instructions for DBO Danish Championships for IFCA 2024 and the Notice of Race. See [DBO homepage](#) and on the official notice boards of the Regattas.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS OR NOR

- 3.1 Changes to Sailing Instructions or NoR will be posted on the official notice board and/or on Whatsapp.
- 3.2 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.
- 3.3 Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 21:00 on the day before it will take effect.

4 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND FEES

- 4.1 All participants must at check-in be able to provide proof of the following:
 - 4.1.1 Valid membership of a Sailing Club under the Danish Sailing Association (or similar MNA in their home country)
 - 4.1.2 Valid membership of the Danish Boardsailing Organization (or similar, relevant NCA in their home country)
 - 4.1.3 3rd party liability insurance, valid for windsurf racing.
Participants without membership of an MNA or NCA can participate in one event per year in a separate, Open division, not scoring for the Danish Championship.
- 4.2 A fee set by DBO is to be paid by the participant at the online registration for participation in the Danish Championship IFCA Slalom (Fin and/or Foil).
- 4.3 In 2024 both Regattas are paid when registering for the first Regatta.

5 DISCIPLINES

- 5.1 There will be two separate disciplines
 - 5.1.1 The “Fin discipline” (downwind slalom) using equipment compliant with the DBO Equipment Rules concerning fin racing,
 - 5.1.2 The “Foil discipline” (downwind slalom), using equipment compliant with the DBO Equipment Rules concerning foil racing.

6 DIVISIONS

- 6.1 In addition to the ICR 2.2 the following shall apply
 - 6.1.1 If all or some divisions are started and raced together in all elimination series, all divisions will be scored as one fleet. If divisions need to be started separately due to number or level of participants, those divisions will be scored separately.
If so, it is expected to start and score U19 Men together with Men in a separate fleet.
 - 6.1.2 If a participant fulfils the age/gender requirement for multiple divisions, they can score in all these divisions if they are raced and scored together in all eliminations. If the divisions are raced separately in one or more races (for example with separate starts or separate courses), the participant must choose which division to race and score in. This choice must be made at entry to the event.
 - 6.1.3 A minimum of 5 entries in a division is generally required to constitute a division but organizers can choose to reward prizes to more divisions (for example to U15, U17, U19 (women and/or men)).

7 EQUIPMENT

- 7.1 All used equipment during Regattas shall comply with DBO Equipment Rules.
- 7.2 Equipment Inspectors from DBO may check and measure equipment at any time during an event. In such case, until the inspector gives permission, a selected sailor and his/her equipment shall have no contact with a coach or support personnel or leave the inspection area. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

8 WIND CONDITIONS FOR THE DISCIPLINES

- 8.1 Fin Discipline: All divisions will take place in suitable conditions for fair racing. The minimum allowed wind speed at any time shall be 11 knots.
- 8.2 Foil Discipline: All divisions will take place in suitable conditions for fair racing. The minimum allowed wind speed at any time shall be 7 knots. The maximum allowed (average) wind speed shall be 22 knots.
- 8.3 Fin or Foil or Abandonment
 - 8.3.1 With wind speeds from 11 to 22 knots the choice of the discipline is at the discretion of the principal race officer who takes into account the other circumstances such as the expected wind speed during the elimination, the number of eliminations already sailed in the different disciplines (and previous Regattas), etc. *It is stressed that there shall be – if in any way possible – both fin and foil racing on each and every competition day.*
 - 8.3.2 The DBO representative shall be the final arbiter as to abandoning competition or amending the schedule. The Race Officer shall consult with the DBO representative before abandoning competition or amending the schedule.

9 EQUAL TREATMENT / PRIORITY BETWEEN FIN AND FOIL

- 9.1 A Regatta shall include elimination series in each of the two disciplines Fin and Foil. The two disciplines shall be treated equally, and it shall first of all be prioritized to have completed eliminations in both disciplines (and preferably the same number of eliminations) at a Regatta. Subsequently, it shall be prioritized to have as many eliminations completed as possible at a Regatta. However, if all previous Regattas have not succeeded in completing approx the same number of accumulated eliminations in both disciplines, for example due to wind conditions, it shall be prioritized to favorize the discipline in the lack of (or with significantly fewer) eliminations in all previous Regattas.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 Scoring will be according to the WSRR Appendix A.
- 10.2 The minimum number of elimination series to constitute a valid discipline (and division) score, counting towards a Regatta score/title and the Danish Championships score/title shall be one elimination series completed, including the A final.
- 10.3 Appendix A 2.2 shall apply separately for each discipline in each Regatta, and as for the DM titles it applies for each discipline in all Regattas accumulated.
- 10.4 When 12 or more eliminations have been completed, an additional discard will be applied with each 4 races completed (i.e. with total of 12 races (4 discards), 16 races (5 discards), 20 races (6 discards), etc). This latter section deviates from WSRR Appendix A.

- 10.5 Scoring of a Regatta (in addition to the above)
 - 10.5.1 IFCA Foil Slalom races and IFCA Fin Slalom races are scored separately in the Regatta.
 - 10.5.2 A separate scoring and ranking will be made both for overall and also for each division. The latter can be done by noting the division together with a participant's name on the overall scoring list
 - 10.5.3 For the Regatta result (only), all fun races will also be included in the scoring if less than 3 valid eliminations have been completed.

- 10.6 Scoring of the DBO Danish Championship Series (in addition to the above)
 - 10.6.1 IFCA Foil Slalom races and IFCA Fin Slalom races are scored separately (incl. all Regattas).
 - 10.6.2 Fun races are not included in the DBO Danish Championship Series score.
 - 10.6.3 Foreigners and participants in the Open division will not score in the Danish Championship Series but race scores for remaining participants are not reduced accordingly.

- 10.7 The DIF and DS Danish Slalom Championships (in addition to the above)
 - 10.7.1 The Danish DIF and/or DS Slalom Championships are calculated based on the total of the sailor's rank in the IFCA Foil Slalom discipline and the sailor's rank in the IFCA Fin Slalom discipline. The sailor's final rank in the IFCA Foil Slalom and IFCA Fin Slalom disciplines respectively are added to a score for the Danish DIF and/or DS Slalom Championship - regardless of the number of completed IFCA Foil Slalom races and IFCA Fin Slalom races.
 - 10.7.2 In case of a tie in the combined score, the tie will be decided in favour of:
 - 10.7.2.1 The sailor with the best result in a single discipline (i.e., a 1st and 3rd place beats two 2nd places). If a tie still remains, it will be decided in favour of the:
 - 10.7.2.2 The sailor with the best result in the discipline with the most eliminations sailed.

11 PRIZES & TITLES

11.1 In the individual Regatta prizes are awarded for

11.1.1 the Regatta's foil slalom result and for

11.1.2 the Regatta's fin slalom result.

11.1.3 Prizes are generally given in the following divisions: U17, U19, Senior, Women, Master, Grand Master. Additional or fewer divisions may be awarded if the number of participants warrants it.

11.2 For the Danish Championship Series the following titles are awarded

11.2.1 DM (DIF) for the combined result of Senior IFCA foil slalom and Senior IFCA fin slalom;

11.2.2 DM (DS) for the combined result of the U19 IFCA foil slalom and U19 IFCA fin slalom;

11.2.3 DM (DBO) IFCA foil slalom in the following divisions: U17, U19, Senior, Women, Master, Grand Master. Additional or fewer divisions may be awarded if the number of participants warrants it.

11.2.4 DM (DBO) IFCA fin slalom in the following divisions: U17, U19, Senior, Women, Master, Grand Master. Additional or fewer divisions may be awarded if the number of participants warrants it.