






DBO Championship Rules for iQFOiL Open 2024 (DBO-CR-iQFOiL)	
	The purpose of this document is to provide the additional rules to be applied for the regattas counting for the DIF, DS, and DBO Danish Championship Series for the iQFOiL Open class. This document is to be referenced from the NoR and SI.
0	RULES
0.1	The event is governed by the rules as defined in <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing</i> including the prescriptions of Nordic Sailing Federation and Danish Sailing Association.
0.2	Furthermore, the following applies: RRS Appendix B, except RRS B5 61.1 and B8.A8, RRS Appendix T, Statutes for the Danish Championships in Sailing, DBO Equipment Rules for iQFoil (DBO-ER) 2024.
1	ORGANISATION
1.1	The Danish Championships are to be based on a series of individual regattas, organised by Sailing Clubs under the Danish Sailing Association.
1.2	The regattas to be included in the series 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	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
2.1	All participants must at check-in be able to provide proof of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Valid membership of a Sailing Club under the Danish Sailing Association (or similar MNA in their home country)• Valid membership of the Danish Boardsailing Organisation (or similar, relevant NCA in their home country)• 3rd party liability insurance, valid for windsurf racing









	Participants without membership of an MNA or NCA can participate in one event per year in the Formula Foil division, not scoring for the Danish Championship.
2.2	<p>Age/gender divisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Junior U15 is a boy or girl who is less than 15 years old. b) Junior U17 is a boy or girl who is less than 17 years old. c) Youth U19 is a man or woman who is less than 19 years old. d) Youth U21 is a man or woman who is less than 21 years old. e) Senior Women include all women f) Master is a man or women who has reached the age of 40. g) Grand Master is a man or women who has reached the age of 50. h) Veteran is a man or women who has reached the age of 60. i) Senior Women include all women, independent of age. j) Senior Men include all men, independent of age. k) Formula Foil division is for participants not in compliance with DBO Equipment Rules (e.g., larger sail or foil). Participants in this division will not score in other divisions. l) A sailor must have reached the minimum age in the relevant division by December 31st before the year of competition. m) A sailor must not be older than the maximum age limit in the relevant age division by December 31st in the year of competition. n) If all divisions are started and raced together in all races in the 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. <i>It is expected to start and score all divisions in one, large fleet but alternatively Senior Men, U21, and Masters O40 can be started in one fleet, and Women and U17 in a separate fleet.</i> o) 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 races. If the divisions are raced/scored separately in one or more races (e.g., 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. p) A minimum of 5 entries in a division is generally required to constitute a division but organisers can choose to reward prizes to more divisions (e.g., to U15 or Women U23) or fewer (e.g., not to Masters). <p><i>Based on the number of participants, the divisions in 2024 are expected to include U17, U19, U21 Men, Men, Women, Masters Men and possibly U15 and Grand Masters Men.</i></p>
3	CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
3.1	Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official noticeboard and/or on https://chat.whatsapp.com/DIBXh9oPdaEBEwMMc2mxwy .




	<p>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 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.</p> <p>Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 on the day before it will take effect.</p>												
4	SCHEDULE OF RACES												
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4.2	On the last day of racing, no new races will be started after 16:30. If a minimum of two valid races have been sailed, no races will be started after 15:30.												
4.3	A skippers' meeting will be held by the race office or the official flagpole, no later than 1 hour before the first warning signal each day. The expected discipline, fleet, and heat order will be announced at the skippers' meeting but can be changed by signals on the starting vessel.												
5	SIGNALS MADE ASHORE												
5.1	Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole as described in the NOR/SI.												
5.2	When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.												
5.3	Flag D with one sound means 'The time of the next possible warning signal is posted on the official notice board. Boats are requested to leave the harbour when this signal is made.'												
5.4	The "Fun-flag" (white flag with round dots in various colours), accompanied by a sound signal means: "The next race will be a Fun Race. The warning signal for the next valid race will be given at least 15 minutes after the lowering of the Fun flag (accompanied by a sound signal)."												

	<p><i>The fun flag is only set ashore if it is considered highly unlikely that the wind limit for valid racing will be fulfilled. Alternatively, the Fun flag can be placed on the starting vessel either before or after the start signal.</i></p>
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<p>5.5</p>	<p>The expected discipline is indicated on the official flagpole using the following flags:</p> <p>Slalom: </p> <p>Course Racing: </p> <p>Marathon: </p> <p>Changing discipline can be done afloat up till 5 minutes before the start signal.</p>
<p>5.6</p>	<p>If racing is split in heats, the heat order and elimination ladders will be posted on the official notice board at least 10 min. before the warning signal will be given for the first heat (30 minutes for the first race of the day).</p> <p>Subsequent heats can be started as soon as participants have had the opportunity to see their next heat. If racing far from shore or with equipment with foil, elimination ladders can be communicated on the water, typically by the start- or finishing vessel.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>COURSES</p>
<p>6.1</p>	<p>The course as described in the SI can be changed by either posting a new course on the official noticeboard no later than 30 minutes before the warning signal (60 minutes for the first race of the day) or orally as described in 3.1.</p> <p>For course racing and marathon, the course should include definition of a reduced course (typically one lap less).</p>
<p>6.2</p>	<p>In the course racing and marathon disciplines, participants can choose to finish a reduced course, as indicated on the course diagram. Participants choosing this option must hail “one lap/en runde” to the finishing vessel and signal with an outstretched index finger when crossing the finish line.</p> <p>Participants having only sailed the reduced course are scored in the order in which they finish, after all sailors that have sailed the full course. In case of doubt, sailors will be assumed to have sailed the reduced course. In case of error, this can be corrected by contacting the race committee.</p>

	<p>If a participant that has sailed the reduced course is erroneously scored as having sailed the full course and the participant does not inform the racing committee of the error, the sailor may be penalized according to RSS 2 on Fair sailing and RSS 69.</p>
6.3	<p>If the “Fun flag” is shown on the starting vessel before the warning signal, the next race is started as a fun race (using the reduced course for all competitors for course racing).</p> <p>If the "Fun flag" is raised after the start signal (accompanied by a sound signal), the race is declared as "Fun race". The race is completed by finishing the lap that the leading board is on when the flag is raced.</p> <p>Valid races can be attempted again immediately after the fun race has been completed or abandoned.</p>
7	MARKS
7.1	<p>Rounding marks are as described in the SI. For Marathon racing, marks can also be land or other.</p>

8	THE START				
8.1	The starting procedure is described below, changing RRS B26:				
Signal	Minutes before the start signal	Flag	Flag up / down	Flag or sound	Comment
	No later than 5	 OR  OR 	↑	Discipline flag shown + 1 sound signal (if not already up)	If not already up from a previous start.
Attention	4	 or  (if up)	↓	1 sound signal + possibly 1. substitute or AP down (only if already hoisted)	Sound signal is always given, even if no flag is lowered.
	No later than 3	1 and/or 2 and/or ...	↑	Heat flag/board shown	Only if racing is split in heats.
Warning	3	 and/or 	↑	Class flag up + 1 sound signal	
Preparatory	2		↑	Black flag up + 1 sound signal	Racing starts

	1-minute	1		↓	Black flag down + 1 long sound signal	Start rule 30.4 is active
	Starting	0	 and/or 	↓	Class flag down + 1 sound signal	
8.2	"Black flag" RRS 30.4 applies during all starts.					
8.3	The Marathon discipline can be started either from a regular starting line or a "rabbit start" as described in the iQFOiL Race Management Policies.					
9	THE FINISH					
9.1	Signal flag "L" shown at the finish line vessel means: "A new race will be started immediately after the current race is completed".					
10	TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES					
10.1	Boards failing to finish within a 100%-time window of the time for the first board to finish the course shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.					
11	SCORING OF THE REGATTA					
11.1	The scoring system is as described in the NOR/SI of the Regatta.					
11.2	1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series (valid or fun race).					
11.3	Slalom, Course and Marathon races are scored as one discipline.					
11.4	For the regatta result, fun races are only included in the scoring if less than 3 valid races have been completed.					
11.5	A Marathon race will be scored as two races in the Series. The score will be the boards finishing position and applied to each of these two races.					
11.6	(a) When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of its race scores. (b) When from 3 to 7 races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding her worst score. (c) When 8 or more races have been completed, a board's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding her two worst scores.					

12	SCORING OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
12.1	The scoring system is as according to RRS app. A-B, except B8.A8 that is deleted
12.3	Slalom, Course and Marathon races are scored as one discipline.
12.3	1 valid race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
12.4	Fun races are not included in Championship Series score.
12.5	DNF, DNS, DSQ, BFD, etc. is scored as the participants in the fleet in the Championship series + 1 point.
12.6	Foreigners and participants in the Formula Foil division will not score in the Championship series but race scores for remaining participants are not reduced accordingly.
12.7	A Marathon race will be scored as two races in the Series. The score will be the boards finishing position and applied to each of these two races.
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13	PRIZES FOR THE REGATTA
13.1	<p>Prizes/trophies are awarded for the Regatta as described in the SI/NOR or at the discretion of the organiser.</p> <p>It can at the discretion of the organiser be decided that no prizes for race results are awarded for the regatta result at the Championship Final.</p> <p>In the Formula Foil division, prizes can be awarded after each race day.</p>
14	PRIZES FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
14.1	<p>For the overall Danish Championship, prizes are expected in the following divisions, based on the number of participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • iQFOiL Open: U17, U19, U21, Senior and Women • Possibly U15, Masters and Grand Masters <p>More specifically the titles awarded are:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Danish Champion (DIF) for the result of Senior iQFOiL• Danish Champion (DS) for the result of Women iQFoil• Danish Champion (DS) for the result of the U19 iQFOiL <p>Danish Champion (DBO) for the result of iQFOiL in the following divisions: U17, U19, Masters, Grand Masters. Additional or fewer divisions may be awarded depending on number of participants.</p>
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