

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

EVENT: 2022 National Squad Youth & Junior Squad Selection Trial

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[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a board. This change RRS 60.1.

1. RULES

1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2. Except Foil Class, the Class Rules of the participating class will apply.

1.3. Techno Class 293 Rules are amended - see HAITONG INTERNATIONAL 2020 HONG KONG WINDSURFING CIRCUIT Notice of Race # 8.1, and will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

1.4. Hong Kong Sailing Federation Prescriptions will apply, and will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

1.5. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.6. If there is a conflict between NoR and the SIs, the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3888757534515209>

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes before the scheduled attention signal of the race in which it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of the next day's racing will be posted not later than 90 minutes after the end of the last

race of the day.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3888757534515209>

4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'. This changes RRS Race Signals AP.

5. RACE FORMAT

5.1. Classes and divisions may race together depending on entry number.

5.2. Classes and divisions shall race a maximum 6 races per day, 8 races per event.

5.3. 3 races are required to validate the event for each division.

5.4. If tropical cyclone warning signal number 3 or above, or black rainstorm warning signal is in force at 07:00 on the first day of the event, the event will be postponed. If tropical cyclone warning signal number 3 or above, or black rainstorm warning signal is in force at 08:00 on the second day of the event, the second day of the event will be cancelled. Information for the fallback day(s) (if any) will be announced via WAHK's website at <http://www.windsurfing.org.hk/tc/home/index.php> and Facebook account ASAP .

5.5. If black rainstorm warning signal is in force after 07:00 on the first day of the event, or after 08:00 on the second day, the event will continue and the decision to start the race(s) will be at the discretion of the race committee.

5.6. Races will not be started if the wind speed is less than 4 knots.

5.7. If the total entry number exceeds the number of equipment provided by the National Team, competitors shall be assigned to groups in a way so groups will have similar number of competitors from different age groups. In the case of an odd number of competitors, the last competitor to be assigned will race in the Yellow group. Groups in the Second Round shall be assigned at the end of first racing day if all groups in a Class Division have completed an equal number of races.

5.8.If both groups have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the groups with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all groups have completed the same number of races. All boards will thereafter race in the new groups.

5.9.At the end of First Round an overall standing shall be established. If racing in the Final Round is not possible this standing shall count as the final result.

5.10. When 4 races have been completed the worst score shall be excluded.

5.11. The First Round shall be a maximum of 4 races and a minimum of 2 races. If fewer than 2 races have been completed at the end of the first racing day the First Round will continue into second day.

6. RACE SCHEDULE

6.1. The race schedule will be:

Day	Time	Event
24 April 2021	08:30 – 09:30	Registration and equipment allocation
	10:00	Briefing (if any)
	11:00	First Possible Attention Signal
	16:15	Last Possible Attention Signal
25 April 2021	08:45	Briefing (if any)
	10:00	First Possible Attention Signal
	15:00	Last Possible Attention Signal
	16:00	Returning equipment

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- . 6.2. To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with 1 sound signal for at least 5 minutes before an attention signal is displayed.
- . 6.3. 4 races may be sailed ‘back to back’.

7. FLAGS

7.1. The flags will be:

Class	Division	Flag
Foil	Youth Boys U19	Blue flag with black letter “Foil”
	Youth Girls U19	
	Junior Boys U17	Yellow flag with black letter “Foil”
	Junior Girls U17	
Techno 293	Junior Boys	Violet flag with Techno 293 Class Insignia
	Junior Girls	

8. RACING AREA

- . 8.1. The racing area is defined as an area extending 75 meters beyond course, including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board normally sails while racing.
- . 8.2. [DP] [NP] Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.
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9. COURSES

- . 9.1. Sailing Instructions Appendix 1 show the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- . 9.2. The course to be sailed will be displayed by course flag and number flag.

10. MARKS

10.1. The marks will be:

Mark	Description
Starting Marks	Race Committee Signal Boat with orange flag/ Mark Boat / Yellow Cylindrical Buoy
Mark 1 – 4 and Gates	Yellow Cylindrical Buoys
Finishing Marks	Race Committee Signal Boat / Mark Boat / Orange Cylindrical Buoy with Blue Flag

11. THE START

11.1. Races will be started using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signal(s); the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. This changes RRS 26 and Race Signals.

Minutes Before Starting Signal	Visual Signal Displayed	Visual Signal Removed	Sound Signal	Means
3	Class flag(s); and P, I, U, or Black flag		One	Attention Signal
2	Red flag with number 2		One	Warning Signal

1	Yellow flag with number 1	Red flag; and P, I, U, or Black flag	One	Preparatory Signal
0		Class flag(s); and Yellow flag	One long	Start Signal

- . 11.2. The starting line will be between orange flag on committee boat and starting mark.
- . 11.3. A board starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- . 11.4. **[DP]** When a starting sequence is in progress, boards whose attention signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 75 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- . 11.5. If flag I has been displayed, and any part of a board's hull, crew or equipment is in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal, she shall thereafter sail from the course side across an extension to the pre-start side before starting, This change RRS 30.1.
- . 11.6. When an individual recall has been signalled, or a board breaks RRS 30.3 or RRS 30.4, the race committee will display her sail number on the race committee signal boat before the first competitor has finished the race. Failure to display will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finishing line will be between blue flags on the finishing marks.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGETS TIMES

- . 13.1. Time limits and target times are in minutes for all Classes and Divisions and as follows:

Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
35	10	15-20

- . 13.2. The 'Finish Window' determines the number of minutes allowed for competitors

to finish after the first competition finishes. Boards failing to finish within the time stated in 'Finish Window' shall be scored DNF except those are scored DSQ, BFD, OCS, UFD, RET, RDG or DNE. This changes RRS 35, Appendix A4 and A5.

14. PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- . 14.1. Protest forms are available at the race office.
- . 14.2. Protest and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered at the race office within the appropriate time limit.
- . 14.3. **[DP]** **[NP]** Boards retiring from races shall complete a retirement declaration form at the race office before the protest time limit.
- . 14.4. **[DP]** **[NP]** Boards taking a voluntary penalty shall complete the penalty acknowledgment form at the race office before the protest time limit.
- . 14.5. For each division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last board of her division has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals 'AP over A', whichever is later.
- . 14.6. Hearing schedule by groups, to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as a witness, will be posted on Facebook page (see link above) as soon as protests are received at the race office.
- . 14.7. Notices of protest by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the Facebook page (see link above) to inform boards under RRS 61.1(b).
- . 14.8. Breaches of RRS 77 and rules in Sailing Instructions marked **[NP]** will not be grounds for a protest by a board. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaches marked **[DP]** are at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- . 14.9. On the last day of the event, a request for redress based on protest committee shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This change RRS 62.2.
- . 14.10. On the last day of the event, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within

the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day or no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changed RRS 66.

- . 14.11. Protest time limits, hearing schedules and decisions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

15. SCORING

- . 15.1. Scoring will be according to the RRS Appendix A and B8.
- . 15.2. For Junior Boys Division and Junior Girls Division in Techno 293 Class, the race score shall be the finishing place in Techno 293 Class Junior Division.
- . 15.3. For Youth Boys Division and Youth Girls Division in Foil Class, the race score shall be the finishing place in Foil Youth Division.
- . 15.4. For Junior Boys Division and Junior Girls Division in Foil Class, the race score shall be the finishing place in Foil Junior Division.
- . 15.5. When 3 or less races have been completed, the series score shall be the total of her race scores. When 4 or more races have been completed, the series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS Appendix A2.
- . 15.4. To request correction of an alleged error in the posted results, a board shall complete a scoring review form available at the race office.

16. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATION

16.1 Competitor retiring before finishing shall inform the race committee (race committee boats or rescue boats) as soon as possible. If this is not possible, the competitor shall inform the race office.

16.2 Helmet and personal buoyancy should be wore at all time when afloat.

17. RISK STATEMENT

17.1. Rule 3 of the RRS, as amended by Appendix B: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to

participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

17.2. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their board to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

17.3. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their board and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

17.4. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

17.5. Their board and equipment are in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

17.6. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

17.7. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

17.8. The fact that race officials may conduct inspections of a board and equipment does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in the notice of race and sailing instruction.

18. [DP] EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

18.1 Board and foil will be provided by the organiser.

18.2 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 the inspection area for inspection.

19. [DP] IDENTIFICATION

19.1. The sail identification will be:

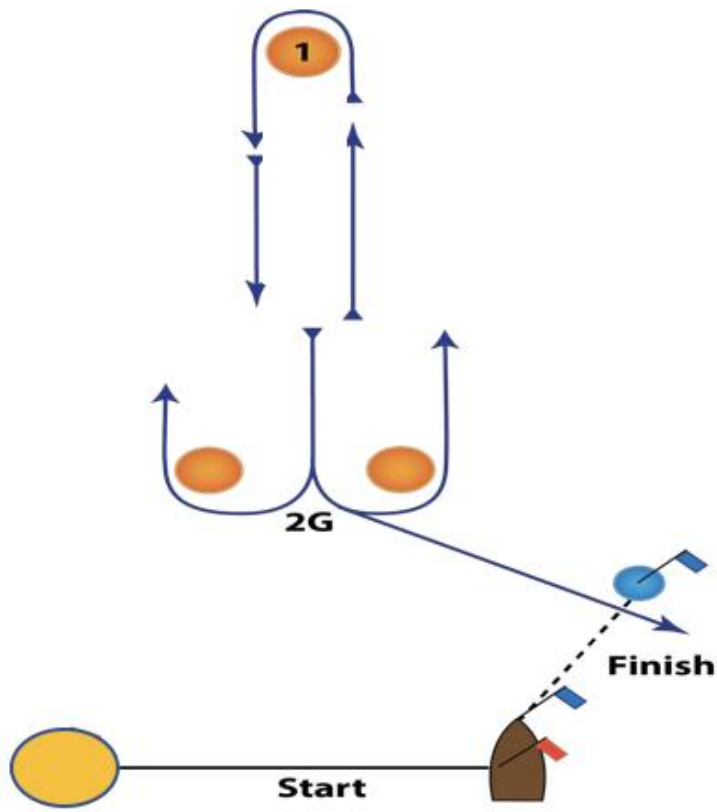
Class	Division	Sail Identification
Foil	Youth Boys U19	Black Triangle
	Youth Girls U19	Red Triangle
	Junior Boys U17	Black Diamond
	Junior Girls U17	Red Diamond
Techno 293	Junior Boys	Black Diamond
	Junior Girls	Red Diamond

20. [DP] [NP] TRASH DISPOSAL

20.1. As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal waters. Boards shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard coach, support and race committee boats. This changes RRS 55.

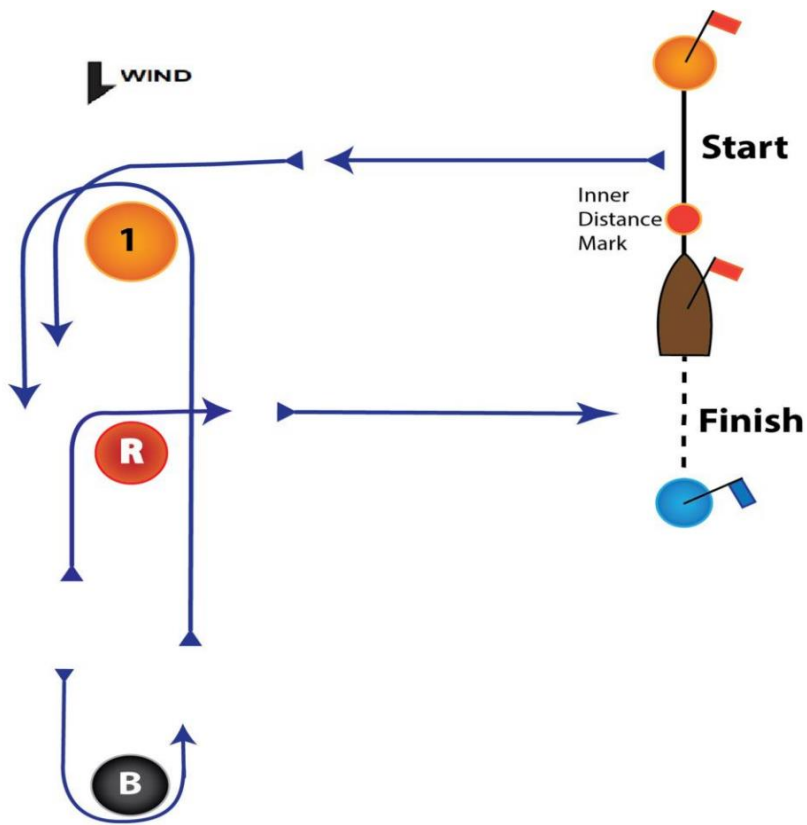
APPENDIX 1 - COURSES

Diagram 1 WINDWARD LEEWARD COURSES



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
W	Start > 1 > 2G > Finish
W2	Start > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > Finish
W3	Start > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > Finish

Diagram 2 Reaching Course



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
RT1	Start > 1 > B > R > Finish
RT2	Start > 1 > B > 1 > B > R > Finish