NOTICE OF RACE

TOP OF THE GULF 2014
RS:One ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIP
3rd to 5th May 2014
TO BE HELD AT
Ocean Marina Yacht Club, Sattahip, Chonburi, Thailand
www.topofthegulfregatta.com

Organized by:
Top of the Gulf Organising Committee (TOGR)
in co-operation with the
Windsurfing Association of Thailand (WATH)

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event
1 RULES
1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR).
1.2 The RS:One Championship Rules shall apply.
1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING
2.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. ISAF Regulation 20 ‘Advertising Code’ shall apply.
2.2 Event branding shall be worn at all times when afloat, and as requested by the organizers during media interviews and during the prize giving.

3 DIVISIONS
3.1 Gender Divisions: Men and Women.
3.2 Age Divisions:
3.2.1 An “Espoir” shall be under the age of 22 in the year of competition (born in or after 1993).
3.2.2 A “Master” shall be over the age of 40 in the year of competition (born 1973 or earlier).
3.3 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
4.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF 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 and pay online at www.topofthegulfregatta.com. There is a 10% discount for entry and payment on line prior to 1st April 2014. The following shall be presented upon registration:
   • Evidence of valid third party insurance
   • Proof of age
   • Emergency Contact & Health Information Form - for those under age of 18
4.4 Coaches and team support personnel will be required to register with the organiser at the Regatta Office. The following shall be presented upon registration:
   • Boat Driving Licence (if applicable)
   • Evidence of valid third party insurance

5 FEES
5.1 The required entry fee is Baht 3,300 for over 18 on 1st April 2014 and Baht 1,650 for entrants under 18 as at 1st April 2014.
5.2 Late entries received after 15th April will be surcharged Baht 1,000.
5.3 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid by cash or credit card (Baht).
6 RACE FORMAT
6.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline, course racing, “open entry” event.
6.2 Men and women may race together.
6.3 Three races are required to validate the Championship.

7 SCHEDULE
7.1 Saturday 3 May 0900 – 1100 Registration & Equipment Inspection
1200 Skippers Meeting
1300 Racing

Sunday 4 May 1100 Racing

Monday 5 May 1100 Racing
1530 Last possible warning signal
1700-1900 Prize giving

7.2 The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 1100hrs, except the first day when the warning signal will be displayed at 1300hrs.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION
8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form, which will be available at registration, shall be returned to the Regatta Office by the end of registration.
8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
8.3 Unless otherwise directed by the organising authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
The sailing instructions (SI) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 COURSES
Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 INTERNATIONAL JURY
An International jury will be appointed in accordance with Appendix N. There shall be no appeal against its decisions in accordance with RRS-WCR 70.5.

12 SCORING
Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, but there will be no discards.

13 PRIZES
13.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division.
13.2 The first man and woman will be declared - “2014 RS: One (division) Asian Champion”.

14 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event’s social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion. Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non attendance at the prize giving ceremony.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WCR 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.

16 INSURANCE

Each participating competitor/support boat driver shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 300,000 SGD per event.

17 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 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.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

Registration will take place at: Ocean Marina Yacht Club Hotel, venue to be advised.

For further information please contact: Bill Gasson

Email – info@topofthegulfregatta.com

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

A **ACCOMMODATION**

There is a variety of hotel and dormitory accommodation available. More information about accommodation for the event will be posted soon on the event website: [www.topofthegulfregatta.com](http://www.topofthegulfregatta.com)

B **AIR TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION/TRANSFERS**

The organising Committee may assist Teams with transport to and from the airport for equipment, competitors and other support personnel.

Team leaders requiring this service shall contact the organiser with details at least two weeks before the start of the Regatta.

C **EARLY ARRIVALS**

Competitors arriving early are advised that support from the organisers must be arranged in advance.

D **VENUE & PREVAILING CONDITIONS**

Conditions to be expected – winds North to North-East, average maximum speed of 6 to 25 knots; water temperature 28°C; air temperature – 26 to 32°C

E **EQUIPMENT**

A limited number of charter boards and rigs may be available for charter. Contact for further information: Kah Soon Ho - kahsoon@constantwind.com