

NOTICE OF RACE

2018 IFCA SLALOM EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

14th to 21st May 2018 Westerland, Sylt, Germany

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Organised by:

Choppy Water GmbH

in co-operation with the

International Funboard Class Association & German Windsurfing Association

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event including

2018 IFCA Men Slalom European Championship
2018 IFCA Women Slalom European Championship







1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the **Experimental Slalom**Competition Rules (ESCR)
- 1.2 The International Funboard Class Association (IFCA) Championship Rules apply.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.5 Separate racing (formula and foiling combined) and wave competitions may also take place, in addition to the Slalom Championships, if suitable conditions exist for those disciplines. The organisers aim is to achieve a valid result in all disciplines, with the Slalom Championships taking precedence.
- 1.6 For this championship Class Rule C.2.3.(b) does not apply.

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 at all times when afloat, and as requested by the organisers during media interviews and during the prize giving.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 This championship is open to both men and women.
- 3.2 This Championship is for sailors in FIN division only.
- 3.3 Men and women will race separately.
- 3.4 There may be prizes for the highest placed youths and masters.
- 3.5 A Youth shall be man/boy <u>under the age of 21</u> (born in 1998 or later).
- 3.6 A Master shall be a man over the age of 35 (born in 1982 or earlier).
- 3.7 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a prize division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 All entries shall meet the 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.
 Membership formalities may be completed on site.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors may <u>enter online</u> credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required. **Online entry closes on 10**th **May 2018**.
- 4.4 An entry is not valid until it is paid.
- 4.5 The following shall be presented upon registration:
 - Evidence of valid third party insurance
 - Proof of age
 - Parental Permission Form for those under age of 18
 - A deposit of 20 euro for the event lycra to be refunded when returned undamaged after the prize giving

5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is: 190 euro, except for Youth 160 euro.
- 5.2 A discount of 30 euro applies for entries received by 16th April 2018.
- 5.3 Late entries accepted at registration may incur a 20 euro surcharge.
- 5.4 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash (euro).

5.5 Entry fees paid by bank transfer to:

Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association

Bank Details: Barclays Bank Plc, GB IBAN: GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99

SWIFTBIC: BARCGB22

Please include "IFCAEC" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment

to: iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championships shall be a single discipline, slalom racing, "open entry" event.
- 6.2 Competitors shall race a maximum 4 eliminations per day.
- 6.3 One completed slalom elimination (including both A and B finals) is required to validate a championship.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1	Sat/Sun 12/13 May		Arrival and training
	Monday 14 May	12:00-16:00	Registration & practice race
		18:00	Official Opening
	Tuesday 15 May to		
	Monday 21 May	10:00	First possible warning signal
	Monday 21 May	15:00	Last possible warning signal
		17:00	Prize giving ceremony
			Departure

7.2 There will be a daily skippers meeting 1 hour before first possible warning signal.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An Online Equipment Inspection Form shall be completed by each competitor and submitted before the end of registration on Tuesday July 4th (11:00 hrs).
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3 Sail Identification Compliance. The Equipment Inspectors will pay special attention to sail identification rule compliance. A discretionary penalty of 1 point may be imposed for every slalom elimination sailed with sail numbers that are not complying.
- 8.4 Use of a Foil is not permitted.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions (SI's) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI's shall be approved by the Class Representative.

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 in accordance with ESCR. There shall be no appeal from their decisions – ESCR 70.

12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the ESCR Appendix A.

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

If personal buoyancy is prescribed every competitor and support boat crewmember shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50).

15 PRIZES & TITLES

- 15.1 Trophies may be awarded to the first three competitors in each valid division within the Championship Overall Ranking.
- 15.2 The first competitor in the championship overall ranking for men and the overall ranking for women shall be declared: "2018 IFCA Slalom (Men or Women) European Champion".
- 15.3 A Prize Fund of **10,000 euro** (net of taxes) shall be distributed according to IFCA Championship Rules.

16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

Competitors are requested to attend the event's social functions, including the opening and closing ceremonies. **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 ESCR 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 1,000,000 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 in the race office at the event site.
- 20.2 For further information please contact: event@choppywater.de

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

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

A TRAVEL, TRANSFERS & ACCOMMODATION

See Travelling and Accommodation Information

B PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Sylt is a unique place! You never know what conditions you can expect at an event on Germanys most famous island. The bandwidth lasts from calm eastern breezes with thermical acceleration over flat water over to howling western storms with huge waves and challenging shorebreak. Between these extremes you can most likely expect the typical northern European conditions. The weather systems are mostly dominated by deep pressure systems that bring onshore wind resulting in a choppy to wavy North Sea.

Wind: 5 to 35 knots; Air temperature: 12°C to 20°C; Water temperature: 14 to 17°C

Don't be scared from the potential extreme conditions! The IFCA Slalom Europeans are setup for a total of seven competition days to maximize the chances for enough racing in suitable conditions. Additionally, the event is offering alternative disciplines to ensure that there is no pressure to run a championship race in critical conditions but at the same time ensure as much "windsurfing" as possible: If the conditions are too rough and dangerous for competitors, equipment and race crew we may run wave. And if conditions are on the lower side we have racing (Foiling and FW combined). So both extremes are well covered to ensure a Slalom Europeans in the best possible conditions.

C VENUE

See event website - www.windsurfcup.de