

NOTICE OF RACE

2012 FORMULA EXPERIENCE

SOUTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

11th October to 14th October 2012

TO BE HELD AT

Porto da Barra, Salvador, BA, Brasil

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Organized by:

Academia Axe Wind

In co-operation with the

State Federation (FENEB) & Associacao Brasileira de Windsurf (ABWS)

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 Formula Experience Class (FEC) 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 A Junior shall be under the age 17 (born in or after 1996 and not later than 1999).
- 3.2.2 A Youth shall be under the age 20 (born in or after 1993 and not later than 1998).
- 3.2.3 A Senior shall be born in or between 1992 and 1975 for men, or 1980 for women.
- 3.2.4 A Master shall be a man over the age of 35 (born 1976 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 30 (born 1981 or earlier).
- 3.2.5 A Grand Master shall be a man over the age of 45 (born 1966 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 40 (born 1971 or earlier).
- 3.3 Weight Division: Lightweight is a competitor less than 80kg.
- 3.4 **FE Sport**: for competitors new to the FEC, or with limited championship experience.
- 3.5 **RIO & Raceboard Fun (RBF)**: for those new to competition or without FEC equipment.
- 3.6 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. Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors may send their entry to: <u>axewind@axewind.com.br</u>
- 4.4 The following shall be presented upon registration:
 - <u>Original Entry Form</u> pre-entries will be given their completed form 1 to check and sign at registration.
 - Proof of age
 - <u>Parental/legal Guardian Assent</u> for those under age of 18
 - <u>Medical Treatment Permission</u> for those under age of 18 or on their parents medical insurance policy

5	FEES		
5.1	The required entry fee is:		
	US\$ 100 for the FE Championship fleet; US\$ 60 for the FE Sport fleet.		
5.2	The entry fee for RIO and Raceboard Fun fleets is US\$ 30.		
5.3	Entry fees paid at registration shall be in cash – US dollars or BRA Reais.		

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline, *course racing*, "open entry" event; although the programme of races may include a long-distance race.
- 6.2 Men and women may race together; women from all divisions may race together.
- 6.3 FE Sport competitors may start with FE Championship competitors, but will sail a shortened course.
- 6.4 RIO and RBF competitors may start separately from the FEC Competitors.
- 6.5 Competitors shall race a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
- 6.6 Three races are required to validate the event.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1	Wednesday 10 Oct		Arrival & Training
	Thursday 11 Oct	0800-1230	Registration & Opening Ceremony
		1300	Skippers meeting
		1330	Racing
	Friday 12 Oct	1100	Racing
	to Sunday 14 Oct		
	Sunday 14 Oct	1500	Last possible warning signal
		1600	Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony

- 7.2 The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 1100hrs, except on the 11th October when the first possible warning signal will be at 1330hrs.
- 7.3 The warning signal for the last race of each day, except on the 14th October, shall not be made later than 1 hour from official sunset time.
- 7.4 There shall be a daily skippers meeting 30 minutes before the scheduled start for racing.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form, which will be available at registration, shall be returned to the Event Equipment Inspector 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.
- 8.4 Competitors shall bring their own equipment. There may be a limited amount of charter equipment available contact: <u>axewind@axewind.com.br</u>

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 at the event.

10 COURSES

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 PROTEST COMMITTEE

A Protest Committee will be appointed in accordance with WCR 91(a).

12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, and using the Low Points Scoring System, except discards which shall be according to FEC Rules.

13 COACHES & SUPPORT BOATS

Coaches and support boats shall be registered with the organiser and coaches shall pay a US\$40 fee at registration. Support boat drivers shall have a valid boat licence and third party liability insurance. There is a limited number of boats available for charter – contact: axewind@axewind.com.br no later than 12th September.

14 SAFETY

Support boat crewmember, and, if conditions require it, competitors, shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50). The use of personal flotation device is mandatory for competitors under 17 years of age.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division/fleet, details will be posted on the official notice board after registration.
- 15.2 The first man or woman will be declared the "2012 Formula Experience South American Champion".
- 15.3 The first man and woman in each division will be declared a "2012 Formula Experience ...*division* ... South American Champion".
- 15.4 There may be prizes for under 15 competitors using a sail of maximum 7.5 sq.m.

16 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.**

17 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.

18 INSURANCE

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

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 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

Registration will be in the race office at the event site.

For further information please contact Academy Axe Wind -

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

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

A ACCOMMODATION, TRANSFERS, PARKING

Full details will be posted on the event website.

B PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Wind: 8 to 12 knots East; 12 to 18 knots North East.

Air temperature: 24-30 ^oC. Water temperature: 26° C

C VENUE

The event will be held at Porto da Barra, located in Salvador, Bahia, NE Brasil.

Porto da Barra is 30km from Salvador International Airport.