

US WINDSURFING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Cabrillo Beach - LA

August 2015



NOTICE OF RACE

2015 FORMULA WINDSURFING NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP & US NATIONALS

12th to 14th August 2015

San Pedro, California, USA

www.uswindsurfing.org

<http://2015uswindsurfingnationals.blogspot.com/>

Organized by:

US Windsurfing Association

in co-operation with the

International Formula Windsurfing Class (IFWC)

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.
- 1.2 The IFWC Class Rules and Championship Rules.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. ISAF Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

3 DIVISIONS

- 3.1 **Gender Divisions** – Men and Women.
- 3.2 **Age Divisions** -
 - 3.2.1 A Youth shall be under the age of 20 - born in 1996 or later.
 - 3.2.2 A Master is a man over the age of 35 (born in 1979 or earlier), or a woman over the age of 30 (born in 1984 or earlier).
 - 3.2.3 A Grand Master is a man over the age of 45 (born in 1969 or earlier).
 - 3.2.4 A Veteran is a man over the age of 55 (born in 1959 or earlier).
- 3.3 A 'Free Formula' division is available to competitors unable to comply with the IFWC Class Rules.
- 3.4 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 Formula Class Association, which is a paid up member of IFWC, or of the IWA. Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors can enter by completing the form at competition site or pre-enter at the us windsurfing association website: www.uswindsurfing.org
- 4.4 Competitors shall present the following at registration:
 - Original Entry Form
 - Proof of age/ picture ID
 - [Emergency Contact & Health Information Form](#) - *for those under age of 18*

5 FEES

- 5.1 The required entry fee is US\$ 95.00, except for Youth when the fee will be US\$ 75.00
- 5.2 Entries received after **August 5th** will be charged an additional **US\$20**.
- 5.3 Entry fees paid at registration shall be in cash only - US\$.

6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Formula North American Championship shall be a single discipline, *course racing*, "open entry" event.
- 6.2 The US Nationals Championship Racing disciplines will include Formula, Slalom, Kona, Raceboard and Division II.
- 6.3 Freestyle, Speed and Fun racing will have separate event notices.
- 6.4 Men and women may race together.

- 6.5 A fleet shall have 5 entrants to be considered for a separate start.
- 6.6 The race committee will consider running Slalom when the conditions are appropriate.
- 6.7 The race committee will decide when to change from course racing disciplines (Formula, Raceboard, Kona, Division II) to slalom.
- 6.8 Competitors shall race a maximum of 5 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
- 6.9 Three races are required to validate the championship.

7 SCHEDULE

Tuesday 11 Aug	10:00 – 18:00	Arrival, training & registration
Wednesday 12 Aug	08:00 – 10:00	Late registration
	10:00	Skippers meeting
	12:00	Racing
Thursday 13 Aug	10:00	Skippers meeting
	11:00	Racing
Friday 14 Aug	10:00	Skippers meeting
	11:00	Racing
	18:00	Last possible warning signal
	19:00	Prize giving

The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 11:00hrs, except for the first day when the first possible warning signal will be displayed at 12:00hrs.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 All competitors shall bring their own equipment.
- 8.2 An [Equipment Inspection Form](#), which will also be available at registration, shall be returned to the Event Equipment Inspector before the start of competition.
- 8.3 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.4 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

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

An 'Independent Protest Committee' will be appointed according to WCR 91(a).

12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, and using the Low Points Scoring System. IFWC 13.5 shall apply for discards.

13 SUPPORT BOATS

Competitor support boats are not permitted.

14 SAFETY

If personal buoyancy is prescribed every competitor shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI's.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division.
- 15.2 The first sailor in the overall ranking will be declared – **“2015 North American Formula Windsurfing Open Champion.”**
- 15.3 The first sailor in each division, eligible to compete for a North American national class association, will be declared - **“2015 North American Formula Windsurfing (division) Champion”**.

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.

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 board shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of US\$500.000 per event or the equivalent amount in another currency.

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

- 20.1 Registration will take place at the event site.
- 20.2 For further information contact: **Xavier Ferlet** - info.usnationals2015@gmail.com
Blogspot: <http://2015uswindsurfingnationals.blogspot.com/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/2015USwindsurfingnationals>
Instagram: <https://instagram.com/2015usnationals/>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

The following **Additional Information** is NOT part of the rules for the Event.

A ACCOMMODATION

To follow

B AIR TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION/TRANSFERS

Los Angeles International Airport / **LAX** - is the closest airport to San Pedro where Cabrillo beach is located.

C PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Wind: **16 NW to 20 NW**

Water temperature: **19 C / 66 F**

Air temperature: **24 C to 29 C / 75F to 84F**

D VENUE

<https://goo.gl/maps/oGFU7>

The family-friendly Cabrillo Beach is one of the top beaches in Los Angeles. Located near Point Fermin Park, Cabrillo Beach has two separate areas. Inside the breakwater, the water is tranquil and calm, ideal for a relaxing picnic. Outside the breakwater, windsurfers and kayakers take on the ocean waves. The fishing pier is a favorite destination for whale-watching and especially during grunion season. [More info here](#)