

## PRE NOTICE OF RACE

# 2015 AZORES FORMULA WINDSURFING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> April 2015

Praia da Vitória, Ilha Terceira, Açores, Portugal

Organised by:

### Clube Naval Praia da Vitoria

in co-operation with the

**Açores Government** and **Associacao Formula Windsurfing Portugal** 

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 International Formula Windsurfing Class (IFWC) Championship Rules shall apply, as amended by the Sailing Instructions.
- 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 Youth shall be under the age 20 (born in or after 1996 and not later than 2001).
- 3.2.2 A Master shall be a man over the age of 35 (born 1979 or earlier).
- 3.2.3 A Grand Master shall be a man over the age of 45 (born 1969 or earlier).
- 3.3 **FW Weight Division**: Lightweight is a male competitor who weighs less than 75kg.
- 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 Class Association which is a paid up member of the international class association (IFWC), or of the IWA.

  Membership formalities can be completed on site.
- 4.3 Eligible competitors may <u>enter online</u> credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required.
- 4.4 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

#### 5 FEES

- 5.1 The required entry fee is: 190 euro; except youth is 160 euro.
- 5.2 A 30 euro discount will be deducted for entries received by 8<sup>th</sup> March 2015.
- 5.3 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash (euro).
- 5.4 Late entries received at registration will be surcharged 20 euro.

#### 6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The championship shall be a single discipline, *course racing*, "open entry" event.
- 6.2 Men and women shall race together.

6.3 Competitors shall race a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series. Three races are required to validate the Championship.

#### 7 SCHEDULE

Monday 6 April		Arrival & Training
Tuesday 7 April	1000-1600	Registration
	1800	Opening Ceremony
Wednesday 8 Apr	il 1200	First possible warning signal
to Sunday 12 Apri	l	
Sunday 12 April	1600	Last possible warning signal
	2000	Prize giving ceremony & party
Monday 13 April		Departure

7.1 There will be a daily skippers meeting on racing days one hour before the first possible warning signal.

#### 8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An <u>Equipment Inspection Form</u>, which will also be available at registration, shall be returned to the Event Equipment Inspector before the end of registration.
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3 Sail Numbers. WCR Appendix G applies; alternatively national letters and sail numbers, in a colour contrasting with the body of the sail, may be placed on both sides of the sail, with those on the starboard side uppermost.
- 8.4 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'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 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with WCR Appendix N. There shall be no appeal from their decisions in accordance with WCR 70.5.

#### 12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A except as amended by the relevant class championship rules.

#### 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

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).

#### 15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division.
- 15.2 The first man or woman will be declared "2015 Formula Windsurfing World Champion".
- **15.3** There shall be a prize fund of **50,000 euro** (net of taxes) which shall be distributed according to revised <a href="IFWC Rules Appendix">IFWC Rules Appendix</a>.

#### 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 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 shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 300,000 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 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: Carlos Borges

Tel: +351 295 512 993 Email: <a href="mailto:secretaria@cnpv.org">secretaria@cnpv.org</a>

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

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

#### A TRAVEL & TRANSFER

#### Full details of a flight deal will be published soon

The distance between the airport of Terceira to the Race Office is 5 km. There will be free transfers between the Airport and the Race Office, we only ask to send an email to the organization with the date and your flight schedule.

For transfer please contact: Carlos Borges

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#### **B** ACCOMMODATION

There is a variety of holiday-rental accommodation on the island of Terceira, but the local organiser has a contract with local hotels with excellent conditions and prices for all the competitors and family.

All the hotels have a maximum distance to the Race Office of 500m. For long stays, we could try to arrange local private houses, in good prices.

For all reservations don't forget to tell the Hotel reservations that you participate in the 2015 AÇORES WORLD FORMULA WINDSURFING CHAMPIONSHIP.

**Further accommodation pdf** 

#### C PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Wind: 12 to 25 knots; Air temperature: 18°C to 22 °C; Water temperature: 20°C

#### D VENUE - AÇORES - TERCEIRA - RACING AREA



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