



NOTICE OF RACE
“Oxbow Big Bay Classic”
2008 SLALOM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP MEN and WOMEN
Cape Town, South Africa 5 – 10 January 2009
An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event

1. EVENT

1.1 The 2008 Slalom World Championships will be held at Big Bay, Bloubergstrand, Cape Town, South Africa from January 5th to 10th 2009.

2. ORGANISER

2.1 The Championships will be organized by Windsurfing South Africa as the local Organizer and South Africa Sailing, for and on behalf of and under specified conditions laid down by the International Funboard Class Association (IFCA) and the ISAF.

3. VENUE

3.1 The event will be based at Big Bay, Cape Town, South Africa.

3.2 During January the weather conditions are typically S – SE, varying from 10 – 35 knots (side shore). Water temperature is 13 - 16°C, air temp 16°C (night) - 26°C (day). Water conditions can be rough outside the bay. Inside the bay, waves vary from 1-2 feet to mast high.

4. RULES

4.1 This is an ISAF sanctioned event governed by:

4.1.1 The 2005/2008 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR) ;

4.1.2 The IFCA Class Rules & Championship Rules;

4.1.3 This Notice of Race ("NoR") & the Sailing Instructions (SIs);

4.1.4 Alterations to the SIs must be approved by the Class's Race Supervisor;

4.2 Competitors shall attend the opening & closing ceremonies including the prize giving.

4.3 The IFCA is a category 'C' class as set out in ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code.

5. ELIGIBILITY & DISCIPLINE

5.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.

5.2 Maximum 64 men and 16 women can register. IFCA Championship Rule 2.3 shall be used to decide the order of entries. The host country is entitled to 16 start places for men and 4 for women.

5.3 A minimum of 3 completed rounds is required for a valid Championship.

5.4 Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance.

5.5 Competitors shall be a member of a National Funboard Association which shall be a paid up member of the IWA.

5.6 Membership formalities can be completed on site.

6. CLASSES

IFCA Slalom WORLD Championships (IFCASWC)

6.1 These championships shall be a single discipline event for Divisions A and B.

6.2 Entry is accepted as described in #2 of the Championship Rules.

6.3 Women shall race separately from the Men.

7. DIVISIONS

7.1 Gender:

Men (A); Women (B);

8. EQUIPMENT

8.1 All competitors shall bring their own equipment.

8.2 An Equipment Registration Form shall be completed before the close of registration, as prescribed in IFCA Championship Rule # 4, except sails shall be stamped and signed by Equipment Inspectors.

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

9.1 It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that his/her board and equipment conforms to the Class Rules.

9.2 The Equipment Inspectors will pay special attention to sail identification rule compliance.

9.3 Equipment checks may be made throughout the event.

10. SAIL INSIGNIAS

10.1 National letters & sail numbers shall comply with RRS.

11. BUOYANCY / WETSUITS

11.1 If personal buoyancy is prescribed, each competitor & support boat crewmember shall wear, above the waist, a jacket, harness, or vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg uninflated, in fresh water. The buoyancy shall be tested with a ferrous metal weight of 4kg, which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.

**12. LIABILITY**

12.1 Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The LOA, South Africa Sailing, IFCA or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives are not responsible, under any circumstances, for any damage, loss or injury either ashore or on the water either to persons or equipment, which may result. Participation in this event, supporting events and in each race in them is at the sole discretion of the sailor and at his/her own risk. Notice is drawn to RRS 4.

13. COURSES

13.1 Courses shall be as prescribed in the IFCA Championship Rule Appendix 3; or as prescribed in the SI's.

14. SCORING

14.1 The RRS Alternative points scoring system shall apply.

15. INTERNATIONAL JURY

15.1 An International Jury may be appointed in accordance with the RRS's 70.4.

16. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)/EVENT PROGRAMME

16.1 The 'Championship SIs' will be available at registration as will the Event Programme scheduling social events.

17. COACHES

17.1 Coaches are required to register in advance by filling in [Form 4](#)

17.2 Coaches and support personnel shall pay a registration fee of Euro 25.

17.3 Coachboats may support competitors. If you propose to bring your own, please advise the local organiser in advance.

17.4 Coaches shall wear buoyancy aids when the "Y" flag is flown.

18. SCHEDULE

Monday	5 th January	10.00 -18.00 19.00	Arrival & Registration Opening Ceremony
Tuesday	6 TH January	11.00 12.00	Skippers Meeting First possible start
Saturday	10 th January	15.00 18.00hrs 20.30	last possible warning signal Prize Giving Closing Party

19. MEDALS AND PRIZES

19.1 Medals and/or trophies may be awarded up to the first three Men/Women.

19.2 The first Man shall be known as the **2008 Slalom World Champion**

19.3 The first Woman shall be known as the **2008 Women Slalom World Champion**

19.4 A Prize fund of 20.000 Rand will be distributed according to IFCA Championship Rules

20. DRUGTESTING

20.1 Competitors are reminded of the ISAF rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event.

21. TELEVISION AND MEDIA

21.1 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 Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

22. BIBS/VESTS & COMPETITORS SAIL BRANDING.

22.1 During racing, competitors may be required by the organisers to wear bibs/vests carrying the event sponsors' branding; and carry the event sponsor's advertising on their sails in accordance with IFCA Championship Rule #4.5.

23. DRESS CODE

23.1 Smart casual clothes shall be worn for the Opening Ceremony and Prize Giving Ceremony.

23.2 The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion.



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24. ACCOMMODATION / TOURIST INFORMATION

24.1 Please consult Reservation Central www.windsurfingafrika.org

25. AIR TRAVEL/ TRANSPORTATION / TRANSFERS

25.1 The closest airport to the Venue is Cape Town International situated 30 km from the venue

25.2 Transfers: www.windsurfingafrika.org

25.3 Major Hire Car Companies are situated at the airport in Cape Town

26. REGISTRATION

26.1 The registration office during the regatta will be at Big Bay Lifesaving Club, It will open from 10:00 till 18:00 for registration & enquiries.

For more local Information before the regatta and to make enquiries please contact:

bigbayclassic@windsurfingafrika.org and visit the event website <http://www.windsurfingafrika.org>

26.2 Competitors will be required to produce the following prior to completing registration formalities on site:

- Original Regatta Entry Form ([Form 1](#))
- Evidence of valid third party insurance
- Parental/legal Guardian Assent ([Form 2](#)) - for those under age of 18
- Medical Treatment Permission ([Form 3](#)) - for those under age of 18 or on their parents medical insurance policy
- Original Bank Transfer/Draft details
- Proof of age
- Equipment Registration Form signed by the Official Inspectors.

27. ENTRIES & PAYMENT

27.1 Entry fees are as stated on the attached entry form ([Form 1](#)) 80,00 euro for all competitors.

Entry fees shall be paid by MasterCard, Visa Card or bank transfer by **December 15th 2008**.

Payments made on site are subject to a Euro 25 excess charge unless special arrangement has been made with the IWA.

27.2 Competitors should [enter in advance electronically](#) through the IWA website at www.internationalwindsurfing.com or by faxing +44 2392 468831) or mailing an official entry form ([Form 1](#)) with their entry fees. The Entry Forms may be downloaded from the IFCA website at <http://ifca.internationalwindsurfing.com>

27.3 Money Transfers shall be in the name of: **The International Windsurfing Association** and be sent to:

Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association
Euro Account #: 52977299
Sort Code: 20-08-44
Bank Details: Barclays Bank Plc, Birmingham, UK (*Bank charges to your account*)
IBAN: GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99
SWIFTBIC: BARCGB22 (Bank Identifier Code)

27.4 or by Cheque /Bankers Draft, drawn on a British Bank to:

International Windsurfing Association

Mengham Cottage, Mengham Lane, Hayling Island, Hampshire PO11 9JX,
United Kingdom

Tel: +44 (0) 2392 468831 **Fax:** +44 (0) 2392 468831

E-Mail: iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com

27.5 Entry fees paid on site shall be made in Euros Only.