



2010 IFCA South American Wave Championship

Lobitos, Piura, Perú	22 - 24 July
Imbituba, Brasil	6 -9 October
Matanzas, Navidad, Chile	29 October - 1November

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event

Notice of Race

1. Rules

This is an IWA sanctioned event governed by:

- ★ The 2009/2012 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Competition Rules [WCR];
- ★ The IFCA Class Rules & Championship Rules];
- ★ The Notice of Race [NOR] as amended by the Sailing Instructions;
- ★ ISAF Regulation 20 - Advertising Code;
- ★ Questions concerning the competition must be in writing to the Competition Director. Answers shall be posted on the ONB.

2. Organizer

Peruvian Windsurfing Association in collaboration with Windsurfing Chile and Brazilian Windsurfing Association.

3. Entries

Competitors will be assigned to their respective division according to the IFCA rules.

The Open fleet result awards the title **IFCA South American Wave Champion** and is the highest category of the event. This fleet is also sub divided into youth (under 20), women, seniors and masters divisions.

The results of the Seniors and Masters divisions are taken from the Open fleet results. Youth and Women divisions may compete in separate 'eliminations', as long as the wind and weather conditions allow. The results of these separate 'eliminations' may give the title of IFCA Youth South American Wave Champion and IFCA Women South American Wave Champion.

If there are not suitable conditions to run separate eliminations, the results for Youth and Women will be taken from the Open fleet results.

The maximum number of competitors for the open fleet is 32. The separate youth division may have a maximum of 16, and the women 8, competitors.

A Youth competitor must be less than 20 years old at December 31, 2010 (born 1991 or later).

A Master competitor must be 35 years old at December 31, 2009 (born after 1974 or before)

The event is only open to residents or nationals of a South American country. Each competitor must show their passport.

Competitors must submit a certificate that they have an accident insurance policy against third parties or sign a liability release. In the case of minors this letter must be signed by their parents or guardians.

4. Registration

The entry fee is indicated on the entry form (**Form 1**), which must be paid before the deadline date. Different methods of payment are shown on the form.

Peru - on site registration in **Lobitos**, will be on July 20th between 9.30am and 11am in the official registration office.

Registration details for the second and third events will be published in good time.

Important - bank documents are required as the only acceptable proof of payment. That's why we ask the competitors to attach their names and sail numbers at the time you make the payment. The competitor must show the receipt at the time they register.

Competitors must provide the following documents to finalize the registration process:

- ★ Entry Form **[Form 1]**
- ★ Third party Insurance or liability release
- ★ Parents or guardian approval (**Form 2**) – for those who are under 18
- ★ Medical treatment approval in case of emergencies. (**Form 3**)
- ★ Proof of payment
- ★ Proof of age
- ★ Proof of nationality – Passport or copy
- ★ Equipment certificate from Inspection Committee

5. Entry fee & Transfers-Peru

The entry fee for Peru is shown below. It includes a t-shirt, bracelet etc.

For foreign competitors it will also include the transfer between Piura's airport and the beach in the dates mentioned below:

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| • Peruvians Associated with APW | us\$30 |
| • Peruvians Not Associated with APW | us\$50 |
| • Foreign* | us\$80 |

* The transfers are provided from Piura's Airport - Hotel in Talara (city near Lobitos) on July 18th and 19th; and on July 25th for departure - booked in advance.

The closing date for payment of the above fees will be **July 5th**.

Late inscriptions will pay an extra fee of us\$20.

6. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be made available at registration on the beach.

7. Liability & Security

a) Competitors enter the event at their own risk. The IWA, IFCA, FPV, APW, IPD, Windsurfing Chile, ABS, the officers, class representatives, organizers, juries, and sponsors are not responsible under any circumstance over any kind of loss or damage or injury that is made to any person or equipment. Participation in the events is at the sole discretion of the sailor and at his/her own risk. Notice is drawn to RRS4.

b) Equipment is solely the responsibility of the sailor. The sailor must be sure that his equipment is adequate to face different conditions expected in the competition.

c) In case any competitor needs aid, he must try to give the international sign of help (crossing both arms –extended- over its head forming an “X” and with palms open). If the competitor does not need assistance should shake a hand, palm closed.

If the race committee assumes that a competitor needs assistance, the competitor must accept assistance and follow the instructions of the race committee.

8. Advertising

During the competition, competitors may be required to wear a T shirt or lycra vest with the names of the sponsors, and to place sponsors' stickers on both sides of the sail. The maximum size of this advertising will be 250mmX1000mm and should not be changed in size. The refusal to wear the t-shirt or lycra if provided, or place advertising on the sail shall result in riders exclusion from the championship.

9. TV and Press

When registering for the championship, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority the rights to use, at their own discretion, any video or photographic images acquired during the competition without compensation.

10. Equipment & Measurements

As an official IFCA Championship, only “production” equipment can be used. Competitors shall complete an Equipment Registration Form before the start of competition

11. Identification Streamers

Competitors must collect their identification streamers before the start of their heat and return them once their heat finishes and they are back on the beach. The Beach Marshall is responsible for managing this and will be located next to the flagpole.

12. Official Notice Board & Flagpole

The official notice board is near to the meeting Area of competitors. The flag pole is found near the judges tower.

13. Schedule

July 20	9:30 am. Registration Start Competitors Beach. 11:30 am. Skippers meeting 12:00 am. Starting the first heat 5:30 pm. Beginning of the last possible heat of the day
21 to 23 July	10:30 am. Possible first heat of the day. 5:30 pm. Beginning of the last possible heat of the day
July 24	10:30 am. Possible first heat of the day. 4:30 pm. Beginning of the last possible heat of the day 9:30 pm. Awards Ceremony and Closing Party

14. Changes to sailing instructions

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted on the official slate with at least 20 minutes prior to the heat (s) that is (are) affected.

Only competition director or director of the jury may give oral instructions. Such instructions are considered part of the sailing instructions.

Any doubt about the sailing instructions must be submitted written at least 15 minutes before the skippers meeting.

15. Maximum number of eliminations

Double elimination system will be used; priority will be given to the completion of the single-elimination table. If the end of the double elimination is not reached, the result will be applied according to the single elimination.

The system will be explained to all competitors at the skippers meeting.

16. Flag announcements

The meaning of the flags will be explained to all competitors at the skippers meeting.

17. Sail Numbers

The sail identification, country code letters and numbers in the sails, should be black and must be placed according to the explanation made in Appendix 4 of the IFCA Championship Rules. The country code will be the 3-letter code explained in Appendix G of the manual of the ISAF RRS –WCR.

18. Competition area

The competition area will be rectangular in shape and is limited by the distance between two flags on the beach and the projection of this distance to the sea (The distance is determined depending on conditions). The Organising Committee can modify this area.

19. Signals & Duration of Heats

The signals for starting and ending heats will be as shown in WCR 26.2 (or RRS B4.2).

The duration of the heats will be posted on the official notice board 20 minutes before the start of the first heat.

20. Cancellation

If a heat is canceled after the start, competitors must return to the beach and wait for instructions. The schedule of the series may be affected.

21. Protests

a) It is not necessary to submit a written protest.

b) The protest must be presented to the protest committee immediately.

c) The protest committee shall hear the protest immediately.

d) There will be no appeal against the decisions of the protest committee (WCR 70.7).

22. Scoring

Scoring will be according to the WCR – Appendix A – elimination series; using the Low Point System as amended by IFCA Championship Rule # 6.1.1 (ie 0.7 for first place)

23. Award: Trophies & Titles

The first three places in each division will be awarded depending on the number of entries in each division. The South American Championship will award the following titles:

- The winner of the Open division will be recognized as IFCA South American Wave Sailing Champion.
- The winner of the Youth division will be recognized as the IFCA Youth South American Wave Sailing Champion.
- The winner of the Women division is recognized as the IFCA Women South American Wave Sailing Champion.
- The winner of the Masters division will be recognized as IFCA Master South American Wave Sailing Champion.

24. Drug Tests

Please be aware that competitors may be subject to testing during the event regarding the use of illegal substances, ISAF Anti Doping Code applies.

25. Attendance at official ceremonies

During the tournament there will be held two ceremonies: the opening ceremony and closing ceremony. It is mandatory for all competitors to attend- See #13 Schedule.

26. Protest Committee

An independent Protest Committee will be appointed by the organizing committee. Competitors may not question the decisions of the protest committee.

27. Event Officials

Event Officials will be announced by the organizing committee the Skippers Meeting.

28. Events

Follow the Notice board to check also activities during the event.

29. Venue & Conditions-Peru

The spot shall be the beach named Lobitos in Talara, and the exact location of the competition area will be indicated on the official notice board. The minimum waves size are left to the juries criteria. The minimum wind should be 11 knots in the area of competition. The start of the heats with minimum wind will be at the discretion of the jury in accordance with safety criteria, current and waves of the day.

30. Information

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