

1 Organising Authority

- 1.1 The Organising Authority is the United Kingdom Windsurfing Association, with the cooperation of Pryde Group UK (PGUK).
- 1.2 The Slalom Series comprises of the following events:

April 12th & 13th - Ski Surf Slalom1, Clacton.

June 7th & 8th – Wet n'Dry Slalom 2, Minster.

June 21st & 22nd - Boardwise Slalom 3, (tbc.)

July 5th & 6th - Surfladle Slalom 4, Hove Lagoon.

Sept. 13th & 14th – FCWS Slalom 5, Poole.

2 Rules

- 2.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 2008 including Appendix B: Windsurfing Competition Rules; and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 The rules and byelaws of local sailing club or council may apply.
- 3 Advertising
- 3.1 Category C of ISAF Regulation 20-Advertising Code-shall apply.

4 Eligibility and Entry

4.1 Racing will be for men and women in the following fleets:

Top Flight

Challenge

Junior

There is no restriction on equipment that may be used, except:

Top Flight competitors may only use "production" boards which do not exceed 85cm in width Maximum sail size is 10sq.m except juniors, where maximum is 7.8 sq.m.

4.2 Within these fleets the following age categories (divisions) may be recognised:

Junior (aged 16 or under as at 31st December 2008)

Youth (aged 19 or under as at 31st December 2008)

Master (aged 35 or over as at 31st December 2007)

Veteran (aged 50 or over as at 31st December 2007)

4.3 Within these fleets the following National class divisions may apply:

Techno RYA National: Kona National

- 4.4 A sailor must be a current member of the UKWA in order to compete or a non UK resident who is a member of either their national windsurfing association or an ISAF Member National Authority. Temporary membership may be extended to non series competitors.
- 4.5 Entries may be made in advance by completing the pre entry form on www. ukwindsurfing.com. Alternatively entries can be made on the day. A discount applies for pre entry.
- 4.6 All Competitors under the age of 18 are required to submit Parent/Guardian Declarations completed by the parents before commencing racing.
- 4.7 A competitor does not become eligible for series or event points by 'pre entering', but only by registering at the event and being capable of sailing and intending to do so.
- 4.8 Before competing, each competitor shall: register for the event at the race office and pay the required entry fee and complete, update or confirm an equipment registration form if required.
- 4.9 No entry will be accepted after 11.00am on the first scheduled day of racing, except at the discretion of the organising committee.

5 Registration/ Briefing

5.1 Competitors shall confirm entry details with the Registration Team by 10.00 on the first morning of racing. Tally numbers will be posted on the ONB before racing commences.There will be a welcome and briefing for all competitors on the first morning of racing at

6 Sailing Instructions

around 10:15.

Sailing instructions will be downloadable from the UKWA events website. Sailing instructions will also be posted on the ONB. Questions on the sailing instructions may be emailed to info@ukwindsurfing.com. Questions and answers will be posted to the UKWA website and will be posted on the Official Notice Board events.

7 Racing Programme and schedule

- 7.1 There will be no maximum number of races per day. The warning signal for the first race on the first day will not be before 11.00.
- 7.2 There shall be no warning signal after 16.00 on the last day of the regatta.

8 Minimum Conditions

- 8.1 The intention is that all racing takes place in suitable conditions. The Race Officer shall be the sole judge of the suitability of conditions, and will take into account the effect of the speed and direction of any current, and wind measurements from as many parts of the course as possible.
- 8.2 The Race Officer may take into account the relevant Championship Rules of the International Funboard Class Association (IFCA).

9 Courses and Racing Area

- 9.1 The course to be sailed shall be published on the ONB.
- 9.2 It is the intention of the Organisers that the format of racing should be as inclusive, and as varied, as possible. Formats include: 5 buoy downwind, figure of 8, masterblaster, team racing, "fun relay".

10 **Scoring**

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 10.2 A minimum of 1 completed round, including a "final", is required for a valid Series event.
- 10.3 Each boards Series score will be the total of her finishing position in each valid event in the series with her worst finishing position discarded if four or more events completed

11 Identification

- 11.1 Windsurfers must display sail numbers on both sides of the sail. Results may not be given for a competitor failing to display sail numbers corresponding to their registered sail number National sail numbers do not need to be carried however if they are, new (GBR) letters should be used.
- 11.2 Competitors without a sail number may be allocated identification when they register.

12 Prizes

- 12.1 Prizes may be awarded to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each fleet.
- 12.2 Category (division) prizes may be awarded depending upon the numbers of competitors entered in a category/division.
- 12.3 Event Prizes will be awarded if one round has been completed to the semi final stage...

13. Social Programme

13.1 If evening meal and entertainment is being provided for all competitors on the Saturday evening, tickets would be required and these would be on sale (or distributed) at the Race Office.

14 Rights to use Names and Likenesses

14.1 Competitors automatically grant to the organising authority without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television of or relating to the event.

15 Safety Regulations

- 15.1.1 All competitors under the age of 17 shall wear a buoyancy aid or life jacket to an appropriate standard at all times when afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not an appropriate standard. When flag Y is flying all competitors shall wear a buoyancy aid or life jacket to an appropriate standard at all times when afloat
- 15.2 A tally system shall be in use.

15.3 **Disclaimer of Liability**

- 15.3.1 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility. It is for competitors to decide whether their board is fit to sail in the conditions in which it will find itself. By launching or going to sea competitors confirm the board is fit for those conditions and that they are competent to sail and compete in them. Nothing done by the organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owners and/or competitors, nor will it make the organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however it may have occurred, as a result of the board taking part in the racing. The organisers encompass everyone helping to run the event. The provision of patrol boats does not relieve owners and competitors of their responsibilities.
- 15.3.2 Parents or guardians of minors have an additional responsibility for their children and to make the decision as to whether he or she is fit to sail in the conditions that prevail or are forecast.

16 Insurance

16.1 Boards are required to be adequately insured including insurance against third party claims of at least £2,000,000.

17 Further Information

- 17.1 Further information relating to the event including News, directions to the event site, parking and camping, accommodation, social programme etc will be published on www.ukwindsurfing.com prior to the event.
- 17.2 Supporting retailers:

Ski Surf, Colchester. www.skisurf.co.uk

Wet and Dry,

Boardwise, Cannock.

Surfladle, Shoreham.

FC Watersports, Poole.