

ISAF Sailing World Cup Final

NOTICE OF RACE

The ISAF Sailing World Cup Final will be held at Abu Dhabi, UAE from 26 to 30 November 2014. The Organizing Authority is ISAF in conjunction with the OCADSE.

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury.

[SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 RSS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.3 For Medal Races, ISAF Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, available on the ISAF website (<http://www.sailing.org>), will apply and changes a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will appear in full in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 The ISAF SWC Final Equipment Inspection Regulations (ISAF SWC EIR) will apply.
- 1.5 The ISAF SWC Support Boat Regulations will apply.
- 1.6 The ISAF SWC Competitors Media Guide will apply.
- 1.7 The prescriptions of the UAE Sailing and Rowing Federation will not apply.
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. [DP] ADVERTISING and BOW NUMBERS

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 2.2 Competitors aboard the boats ranked first, second and third in the series at the beginning of that day, shall wear yellow, blue and red bibs respectively while racing. The bibs will be provided by the organizing authority. All other competitors may be required to wear ISAF Sailing World Cup bibs.
- 2.3 [SP] Except for Kiteboarding, boats shall display national flags on mainsails as specified in their class rules. If the class rules do not include specification for display of national flags, they shall be displayed in accordance with ISAF specifications available at http://www.sailing.org/world_cup_documents.php

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Only skippers invited by the Organizing Authority will be eligible to enter this event. Invitations will be issued in accordance with Addendum A – Event Quotas and Qualification System.
- 3.2 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing (email is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation (48 hours after receiving the invitation).
- 3.3 When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within one month of the event or leaves the event before the conclusion of the closing ceremony (Nov 30) without written approval from the OA, ISAF may exclude that competitor for his/her next home continent ISAF Sailing World Cup or impose any other sanction.
- 3.4 ISAF Eligibility shall apply. Each athlete shall be registered as an ISAF Sailor on the ISAF website: www.sailing.org/isafsailor.
- 3.5 Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or the ISAF Executive, each competitor shall be a national of the country of the Member National Authority (MNA) which enters the boat or endorses the person in charge (as defined by RRS 46). Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality.
- 3.6 Olympic gender requirements will apply for each Olympic event.
- 3.7 Competitors shall present evidence of membership in the applicable class association.
- 3.8 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at registration. The forms are available for download on the event website.
- 3.9 The regatta is open to boats in events chosen for the 2016 Olympic Sailing Competition and kite board.

4 SUPPLIED EQUIPMENT

- 4.1 Addendum B EQUIPMENT will apply.
- 4.2 No changes to equipment shall be made, except in compliance with the ISAF SWC EIR.

5. FEES

There is no entry fee for this event.

6. FORMAT

- 6.1 For Olympic Events, the regatta will consist of an opening series and a medal race. The top ten finishers in the opening series of each event will advance to the medal race provided a minimum of 3 races have been completed.
- 6.2 For Open Kite Board Event, the short track format will be used and will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3 Other formats may be used as authorized by ISAF in preparation for the 2016 Olympic Games.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Registration for competitors, coaches and team leaders will be open from 09:00 on Monday 24 November 2014 at the Regatta Office.
- 7.2 The first briefing for coaches and team leaders is scheduled for 18:00h on Wednesday 26 November 2014 at competitors' lounge.
- 7.3 The Opening Ceremony will take place on Wednesday 26 at 18:30h.
- 7.4 The schedule of races including medal races and dates of racing is as follows:

Event	Class	Racing Dates	# Races
Men's One Person Dinghy	Laser	27 to 30 Nov	7
Women's One Person Dinghy	Laser Radial	27 to 30 Nov	7
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	Finn	27 to 30 Nov	7
Men's Two Person Dinghy	470	27 to 30 Nov	7
Women's Two Person Dinghy	470	27 to 30 Nov	7
Men's Skiff	49er	27 to 30 Nov	10
Women's Skiff	49er FX	27 to 30 Nov	10
Men's Windsurfer	RS:X	27 to 30 Nov	10
Women's Windsurfer	RS:X	27 to 30 Nov	10
Mixed Two Person Multihull	Nacra 17	27 to 30 Nov	10
Open Kite Boarding	IKA Open	27 to 30 Nov	TBC

- 7.5 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 17:00h.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 This event is an international event for the purposes of RRS G1.1.
- 8.2 Boats shall be available for inspection from 09:00h on Wednesday 26 November 2014 or as agreed in writing with the organizing authority. Details of pre-first race equipment inspection, location and schedules will be posted on the official notice board.
- 8.3 Boats may be subject to inspection at any time during the event. The procedures for inspections will be specified in the ISAF SWC Final EIR.
- 8.4 The equipment limitations as specified in the class rules shall apply.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration and on the event website. Other documents governing the event will be published with the sailing instructions.

10 VENUE

- 10.1 The regatta venue will be the Abu Dhabi Sailing Yacht Club.
- 10.2 The racing area will be the waters around Lulu Island and the Marina Mall Breakwater.

11. THE COURSES

The courses will be Windward/Leeward or Trapezoid.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

For the Men's Skiff, Women's Skiff, Mixed Two Person Multihull and Open Kite Board events, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by One-Turn Penalty.

13. INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with rule RRS 91(b).

14 SCORING

- 14.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply except that RRS A4.1 is changed so that the points scored in the medal race are doubled.
- 14.2 A boat's score shall be calculated in accordance with RRS A2, except that the score for the medal race shall not be excluded.

- 14.3 When fewer than three races in the opening series has been completed, no score shall be excluded.
- 14.4 At least 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 14.5 Ties in the series score between boats with different medal race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat that scored better in the medal race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.
- 14.6 Other scoring systems may be used as authorized by ISAF and will be stated in the sailing instructions.

15. SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL

- 15.1 All support boats shall be registered with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 15.2 All support boats shall clearly display the 3 letter national code of their ISAF Member National Authority at all times while afloat. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. and visible from both sides of the boat.
- 15.3 The OA will provide a large communal coach boat for each race area free of charge.
- 15.4 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

16 [DP] BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park or harbour.

17 & 18 SPARE

19 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 19.1 A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions, text messages or cellular phone calls while racing except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee.

20 PRIZES

- 20.1 Medals will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each event. The Organizing Authority may alter prizes if fewer than 10 boats are entered in an event.
- 20.2 Prize money will be awarded to the Olympic events as follows:

First Place: USD 10,000

Second Place: USD 6,500

Third Place: USD 3,500

21 INSURANCE

Each participating crew shall present a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least USD 275,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

22 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and the boat supplied to them to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their supplied boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their supplied boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

23 [DP] MEDIA RIGHTS

23.1 By participating in an event of the ISAF Sailing World Cup competitors automatically grant to the organizing authority, ISAF and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

23.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.

23.3 The top three competitors as well as the individual race winners may be required to attend a media press conference each day.

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23.4 Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

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NoR Addendum A - Event Quota and Qualification System

A1. Event Quotas

Event	Class	Event Quota
Men's One Person Dinghy	Laser	20
Women's One Person Dinghy	Laser Radial	20
Men's One Person Dinghy Heavy	Finn	20
Men's Two Person Dinghy	470	20
Women's Two Person Dinghy	470	20
Men's Skiff	49er	20
Women's Skiff	49er FX	20
Men's Windsurfer	RS:X	20
Women's Windsurfer	RS:X	20
Mixed Two Person Multihull	Nacra 17	20
Open Kite Boarding	IKA Open	16 Men, 4 Women

A2. Qualification – Olympic Events

Entries are awarded to Individual(s) in the following order until the quota is filled:

A2.1 The following places are awarded based on the Santander 2014 ISAF Sailing World Championships, 8-21 September.

(a) The 10 Medal Race qualifiers in each event.

A2.2 The following places are awarded based on the ISAF Rankings as issued on 22 September 2014.

(a) Top six highest ranked individual(s) whom have not qualified through 2.1.

A2.3 The following places will be awarded at ISAF Sailing World Cup Qingdao, 12-18 October 2014.

(a) The highest place finisher in ISAF Sailing World Cup Qingdao that has not qualified through A2.1 or A2.2

(b) The highest place Asian finisher in the ISAF Sailing World Cup Qingdao that has not qualified through A2.1 or A2.2. (This may be the same sailor(s) as A2.3(a)).

A2.4 Up to two places in each event may be awarded as wild card places at the discretion of ISAF.

A2.5 When the above results in fewer than 20 accepted entries in an event, the remaining places will be filled based on the ISAF Rankings as of 22 September 2014.

A3. Qualification - Kiteboarding

Entries are awarded to Individual(s) in the following order until the quota is filled:

A3.1 The following places are awarded based on the Delta Lloyd Regatta:

- a) Men: Top two highest ranked individuals
- b) Women: Top highest ranked individual

A3.2 The following places are awarded based on Continental Championships:

- a) Men: Winner of each Continental Championship
(South America, North America, Europe, Asia, Oceania)

A3.3 The following places will be awarded at 2014 World Championship – Istanbul (TUR) August 2014:

- a) Men: Top five highest ranked individuals
- b) Women: Top three highest ranked individuals

A3.4 The following places are awarded based on the IKA World Ranking as of 10 September 2014:

- a) Men: Top 4 highest ranked individual(s) whom have not qualified through A3.1, A3.2 or A3.3.

A3.5 When the above results in fewer than 16 accepted entries in the Men division or 4 entries in the Women division, the remaining places will be filled based on the IKA World Ranking as of 10 September 2014.

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NoR ADDENDUM B – Equipment

- B1. Failure of supplied equipment will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- B2. A penalty may be given or the use of the supplied equipment may be withdrawn if, in the opinion of the organizing authority, a competitor treats or handles the equipment without care or in a manner which causes or is likely to cause damage to the equipment
- B4. The organizing authority shall not supply compasses or other tactical devices, wind indicators, personal flotation devices (PFD's), trapeze harnesses, hiking pants, wet or dry suits or any other personal gear.
- B5. Competitors may bring and use the following items: shockcords, compass, wind indicators, including yarn or thread (may be tied or taped anywhere on the equipment, provided their fitting does not mark, pierce or damage the hull, deck, sails or spars).
- B6. Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the waterline, but the tape needs to be removable after the event without leaving any permanent damage. There shall be no writing with permanent markers directly on the supplied equipment. No wax shall be applied. Hulls, centreboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water and ordinary soap.
- B7. For Laser and Laser Radial only:
- Competitors shall bring their own sail.
 - Competitors shall be supplied with a fully fitted Laser hull including the deck block fitting and the two single blocks and cleats for the deck led cunningham and outhaul systems.
 - Competitors may bring and use their own lines, sheet and blocks (including ratchet block, outhaul, cunningham, traveller and vang systems) and tiller/tiller extension.
 - The boats shall be supplied with mini side deck cleats for the main sheet, centreboard, rudder, mast and boom.
- B8. For 49er and 49er FX only:
- Competitors shall sail with OA supplied hull, foils, rudder stock/tiller mast, boom and gennaker pole.
 - Competitors shall bring their own sails, footstraps, and tiller extensions.
 - Footsteps: pre-drilled holes shall be provided in all wings. Competitors shall bring footstraps that will fit the drilling plan that is the same for every boat. Additionally, competitors are expected to leave the footstraps on the boats at the end of the regatta.
 - Vang, Cunningham, Tack Line, and Spin Pole Extender: Competitors shall bring their own lines and shock cord for these systems. The OA will provide the blocks and hardware. Competitors may set up these systems as they prefer and are expected to leave the lines and shock cord from these systems on the boat at the end of the regatta.

- e) Grip Tape: teams may apply grip tape to the boats. All grip tape applied shall be left on the boats at the end of the regatta.
 - f) Remaining lines: All remaining lines shall be provided by the OA, but competitors may use their own lines and halyards. Any lines and halyards provided by competitors may be taken away by the teams at the end of the event.
- B9. For RS:X and Kitesurfing.
- a) Competitors shall bring their own equipment. The OA will provide travel funds up to AED 1200 in cash at registration upon receipt.
- B10. For Finn, Nacra, and 470
- B10.1 Teams will have the option of bringing their own equipment under the following conditions:
- a) Each team will be compensated with USD 1000 for the time his/her boat is in transit.
 - b) The OA will pay return shipment according to the terms and conditions stated in the invitation letter.
- B10.2 There may be supply equipment and availability will be specified in the invitation letter. In this case, supplied equipment will be as follows:
- a) For Finn only:
 - i) Competitors shall bring their own sails and masts. Supplied mast may be available upon request to the OA.
 - ii) Competitors shall be supplied with a fully fitted boat including ropes, systems, regulations, centreboard, rudder, boom, tiller and tiller extension.
 - iii) Competitors may bring and use the boom, main sheet, rudder, tiller, tiller extension, centerboard pin and mast chocks
 - b) For 470 only:
 - i) Competitors shall bring their own sails, including the jib wire.
 - ii) Competitors will be supplied with a fully fitted 470, including ropes, systems, centreboard, rudder, tiller and tiller extension.
 - iii) Boats will be supplied with a fully rigged Superspars mast including trapezes system, boom and spinnaker pole.
 - c) For Nacra 17 only:
 - i) Competitors shall bring their own sails, footstraps and tiller extensions.
 - ii) Competitors shall be supplied with a fully fitted Nacra 17, including ropes, systems, centerboards and rudders.
 - iii) Sailors may use their own lines, halyards, trapeze systems, shockcords, strop for the top of the jib and double ratchet block for the spinnaker.

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NoR Addendum C – General Information

Flights

Sailors shall book their own flights. The Abu Dhabi airport is about 30 minutes from the Yacht club. The Dubai airport is about 1:30 minutes from the yacht club.

Accommodation

The regatta organizers have arranged a discounted rate at a number of 4 star hotels. This rate includes airport pick up in Abu Dhabi, breakfast, and shuttle service to the club each day. Due to the Formula 1 race that is being held on November 23rd, all hotel packages will start on the 24th or 25th. Details will be released at <http://adsyc.ae> shortly. Teams should budget on above packages costing less than \$100 USD per person per night.

Local Advertising Laws

The Advertising Standards set out principles in relation to all digital and traditional advertisements broadcast or published through any media corporation and outlet in the UAE. Although, the Advertising Standards do not define the meaning of these terms, they may be interpreted broadly to include advertisements issued by shops, for example.

Many of the standards set out in the Advertising Standards reiterate principles already established under various existing legislations and regulations, while others introduce new rules governing advertisements and advertising content in the region. We summarize the main standards below:

Respect for religion and political institutions:

Advertising content must be respectful of all divine religions and not offend Islamic beliefs. It must not disrespect the regime in the UAE and/or the symbols and political institutions thereof. Further, no content broadcast or published by a media corporation or outlet may disrespect the local and international policies of the UAE or disrespect the cultural heritage of the UAE.

Prohibited products/services:

The Advertising Standards explicitly prohibit advertising alcoholic beverages, tobacco, smoking and all banned products or services including banned narcotics.

Prohibited content:

The Advertising Standards prohibit the publication of words and pictures that breach public morals. They further prohibit the spread and dissemination of information that may prejudice children, women or any other members of society. The Advertising Standards also prohibit the provocation of violence, hatred and sectarianism via advertising content.

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Privacy:

With a view to protecting the privacy of individuals, the Advertising Standards explicitly prohibit the broadcast and publication of misleading news and rumors.

Consumer Protection:

The Advertising Standards mandate compliance with the laws governing consumer protection and commercial activities particularly in relation to anti-competitive practices and illegal monopolies.

Health regulations

Advertising content relating to medicines or pharmaceutical products must comply with the rules set out by Cabinet Resolution No. 7 of 2007 Regarding Health Advertisements.

