

2023 Winter Surf World Championships

Notice of Race (NoR)

January 30 – February 5, 2023

Lithuania

Organizing Authority:

Lithuanian Extreme Sports Federation in co-operation with Lithuanian Sailors Union with World Ice and Snow Sailing Association

1. RULES

1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and amended in appendix B & F, suitable for ice and snow sailing.

1.2. The Winter Windsurfing Racing Rules (WWR) will apply:

<https://cdn.regattas.eu/files/712f952c67a80fb92794ba3ff8921a49.pdf>

1.3. In all rules governing this regatta:

1.3.1. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a board. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1.3.2. [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Jury and may be less than disqualification.

1.4. Board (sleds, wings, kites) riders may be required to carry GPS tracking, camera or sound devices supplied by the organizing authority. A board rider shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes RRS 62.1.

1.5. All Support Persons (RRS Definition 'Support Person') are subject to the rules (RRS Definition 'Rule'), according to RRS 4 – Acceptance of the Rules.

2. CLASSES and DISCIPLINES

2.1. Sleds - with handheld sails (including mast and boom), i.e. standard windsurfing rigs:

2.1.1. Course race (for open class);

2.1.2. Short Track Slalom/STS (for HIBOARDS - a sled with a tilting deck);

2.1.3. GPS Speed;

2.1.4. Fun open slalom (dedicated to those with course race boards and not being able to attend STS slalom races.

2.1.5. Marathon (reserve).

2.2. Wings:

2.2.1. Course race (for open class);

2.2.2. Short Track Slalom/ STS (for wing with skates);

2.2.3. GPS Speed;

2.2.4. Marathon (reserve).

2.3. Kites:

2.3.1. Course race;

2.3.2. Freestyle;

2.3.3. GPS speed;

2.3.4. Marathon (reserve).

2.4. A minimum of five (5) competitors is required to constitute a class by discipline.

3. DIVISIONS

3.1. Overall;

3.2. Women;

3.3. Junior (U17) - a junior born in 2007 or later;

3.4. Youth (U20) - a youth born in 2004 or later;

3.5. Master - men born between 1987 or earlier;

3.6. Grand Master - men born in 1977 or earlier;

3.7. Veteran - men born in 1967 or earlier;

- 3.8. One person can apply to one age division only. Most specific one is used.
- 3.9. Wing class subdivision:
- 3.9.1. Inflatable wing.
- 3.10. Kite class subdivisions:
- 3.10.1. Snowboard;
- 3.10.2. Tube kite (Inflatable kite with snowboard, skis or skates).
4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY
- 4.1. The event is open to all boards of the Winter Windsurfing classes (P.2) that complete the entry form, pay the full entry fee and has registered to the event.
- 4.2. The entry shall be made online on Entry Form (<https://lt.regattas.eu/regatta/wissa>) by paying the entry fee.
- 4.3. An entry is not valid until paid.
- 4.4. The following documentation will be required at Registration on site:
- 4.4.1. Proof of age (passport).
- 4.4.2. Proof of valid third party liability Insurance.
- 4.4.3. Parental permission (name of parent in entry form) for U18 competitors.
- 4.5. A class, discipline or division that has not been completed (min 5 competitors) by 15 of January 2023, may be canceled by the organizing authority.

5. ENTRY FEES

5.1.	Before the 1st of January	From 1st to 15th of January	After the 15th of January, and on-site.
Adult	180 €	220 €	250 €
Youth (U20)/Junior (U17)	120 €	150 €	180 €

- 5.2. Entry fee must be paid during entry following instructions specified here (<https://cdn.regattas.eu/files/20335b6215c5bf283a16a353d45016e7.pdf>).
- 5.3. Entry fee paid on site of the event shall be paid in cash only. No cards accepted.
- 5.4. The entry fee is non-refundable.
6. [DP] [NP] ADVERTISING Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.
7. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS
- 7.1. Helmets must be worn during competition and additional protective clothing is highly recommended.
- 7.2. Ice pikes or anything similar attached under shoes for adding grip are forbidden. This changes the WWR rule 4.4.
8. [DP] [NP] ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION
- 8.1. For competitors identification, the Organizing Authority may supply the event bib vests. The competitors must wear it during the racing.
- 8.2. When the Organizing Authority supplies the ranking colored bib vests for event leaders (1st, 2nd, 3rd), the competitors must wear it during the racing for that day.
- 8.3 Bib vest must be worn outside other clothing while racing. Competitors shall not deliberately cut or tear them.
9. SCHEDULE
- 9.1.

Date	Time	Activity
Monday, Jan 30	12:00	Preparations and training for WISSA 2023 GPS speed race window is open
	12:00-17:00	Registration

	18:00	Opening ceremony
Tuesday, Jan 31	8:00-9:30 10:00 11:00	Registration Race Committee meeting for team leaders and coaches Warning signal for 1st race
Wednesday Feb 1 to Friday Feb 3	9:30 10:00	Lycra ceremony Warning signal for 1st race of the day
Friday, Feb 3	17:00	GPS speed race window is closed
Saturday, Feb 4	9:30 10:00 15:00 17:00	Lycra ceremony Warning signal for 1st race of the day Last possible warning signal Prize awarding ceremony

9.2. Organizer has a right to change the schedule by announcing in advance.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

10.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available latest at Jan 30 on the Official Notice Board (ONB), located on event website:

https://cdn.regattas.eu/docs/en/pdf/regatta_document/dca7bf69-0c9d-4eca-b127-4215d29ae76b.

11. VENUE

11.1. The event is planned to be held on Kaunas reservoir, or lake Rekyva (Šiauliai district), or Elektrėnai reservoir.

11.2. The Race Office is planned to be on the shore, near of the racing area.

11.3. In case it will not be possible to organize the Event in the above-mentioned places (due to lack of ice, snow, wind or other circumstances), organizers reserve the right to change the location to another icy area nearby. Information will be posted on ONB. Also information will be available on the Event web site <https://lt.regattas.eu/regatta/wissa> and Event Facebook site <https://www.facebook.com/events/815971863157819>

12. RACE FORMAT

12.1. The event has the following disciplines: course race, STS, GPS speed, freestyle (for kites only), fun open slalom and a marathon (reserve).

12.2. One (1) race is required to validate the event.

12.3. Men and women may race together.

12.4. Races	Scheduled per day	Max per day	Total at the event
Course race	6	8	18
STS eliminations series and fun slalom	10	12	25
GPS speed	No limit	No limit	Best 1 x 10 sec
Freestyle eliminations series	3	5	5
Marathon	1	1	1

12.5. GPS speed equipment specifications:

12.5.1. The result of the fastest 1x10 sec as measured by the rules described here - <https://www.gps-icesailing.com/default.aspx?mnu=item&item=BasicRules>. In the GPS speed discipline no age or sex division segregation.

12.5.2. LOA (organizer) will not provide the GPS equipment or wires to download GPS data.

13. SCORING

13.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A amended with Appendix B will apply. The points for the first place race shall be 0,7.

13.2. In STS a competitor disqualified (DNS, DNF, RET, DSQ) in race gets points as last in his heat, by this race starting sequence, except in last heat – for all max points. This changes RRS A5.2.

13.3. Discards for course race:

1 – 3 races: 0 discards

4 – 6 races: 1 discards

7 – 10 races: 2 discards

11 – 15 races: 3 discards

16 – 20 races: 4 discards

13.4. Discards for Slalom (STS):

1 – 3 races: 0 discards

4 – 6 races: 1 discards

7 – 10 races: 2 discards

11 – 15 races: 3 discards

16 – 20 races: 4 discards

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes will be awarded to the first three (3) competitors of each class and division.

14.2. The first man or woman in class will be declared - “2022 Winter Surf World Champion”.

14.3. The first in division or subdivision will be declared - “ 2022 Winter Surf Division or Subdivision World Champion ”.

15. RISK STATEMENT AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and variable ice surface, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

15.2. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16. [DP] [NP] INSURANCE

Each participating board shall be insured with a valid third party liability insurance.

17. MEDIA

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 as defined in Notice of Race, in which he/she participates, without compensation.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

Travel, transfers and accommodation - Please refer to official event website:

<https://lt.regattas.eu/regatta/wissa>

Planned locations in the order of priority are Kaunas, Šiauliai or Elektrėnai, Lithuania. We plan to announce the final place 2 weeks before the event.

Organizer (LOA) take no responsibility for travel and accommodation arrangements made in error.

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