



2025 Formula Wing Worlds

Question for Officials

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Question For: Race Committee

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PPC unreleased wing - Mirroring use of unreleased Zaoli wings.

In the last few months and year, wingfoiling gear has seen an unprecedented acceleration of equipment size, technology and price. To combat this, you (Wingfoil racing committee) created formula wing events with the EXPRESS PURPOSE of prohibiting non-accessible prototype equipment. Between Wings and Foils, this set of protests we are writing here anonymously expresses the broader community sentiment that those individuals, for whom we will all be launching protests against, are eroding the rules and setting a weak precedent for these events.

Sean Herbert, alongside a variety of PPC affiliates and sponsored individuals, throughout this event have been using an unavailable PPC sonic dual skin. Whilst in our view not holding the same significance as the likes of our other protests, especially against Zaoli for whom only share their wings to top-level international riders, it is our view that Sean and the individuals using these production, yet unavailable wings highlight a flaw in the rules of this event and the class itself.

Hence to differ from our other statements, we ask that the race committee set more explicit regulations with regards to the use of production yet unreleased wings.

We look forward to hearing your response to the broader community

Answer:

Sailing is a self policing sport.

Competitors are governed by a body of rules that they are expected to follow and enforce. If you believe that a fellow competitor has broken a rule, you should protest. The protest procedure, which includes that a protest cannot be anonymous, is described in the rules.
