



NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (NoR/SI)

Hong Kong Wingfoil GP 2023 (Round 3)

香港滑浪風翼方程式 2023 (第三站)

9 Dec 2023

Stanley Main Beach, Beach, Hong Kong

Organising Authority: Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong, China

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1 DATE AND VENUE

Venue	Organising Authority	Dates
Jockey Club Stanley Windsurfing Centre, Hong Kong	Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong, China	9 Dec 2023

If the event is cancelled, any paid entry fees will be refunded in full. The organizing authority will not be liable for any other expenses incurred.

2 Rules

- 2.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Appendix WF
- [https://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/DR2105AppendixWFWingfoilingRacingrulesJune2021-\[27358\].pdf](https://www.sailing.org/tools/documents/DR2105AppendixWFWingfoilingRacingrulesJune2021-[27358].pdf)
- 2.2 The WingFoil Open Class Rules apply
- (https://wingfoilracing.com/images/documents/CR%20-%20WFO_20230215.pdf)
- 2.3 Sailing Federation of Hong Kong, China Prescriptions will apply.
- 2.4 Supplementary Sailing Instructions (SSI) may be published and may change or supplement rules in these NoR/SIs.
- 2.5 A racer shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all racers, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the organizing authority. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 2.6 In all rules governing the event;
- The terms ‘rider’, ‘competitor’, ‘crew’, ‘athlete’ and ‘owner’ mean a person competing, or intending to compete, in the event;
 - [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing as per NoR/SI 17.
 - [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a racer and for which the protest committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 63.1.
- 2.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 2.8 Changed Rules:
- RRS Appendix WF3.31 is deleted and is changed to: A wingfoil may touch a mark but shall not hold on to it.
 - Actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3 EVENTS, QUOTAS AND ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 There will be competition in the following divisions:

Class	Divisions	Max. Quota per division	Min. Quota per division
Wingfoil	Men Open, Women Open	60	1

- 3.2 Exceptions to the maximum quota may be made at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 3.3 Competitors shall bring their own equipment.



- 3.4 Age divisions will be established if a division has 5 or more entries for the following age groups:
- i. U19 (born 2005 and after)
 - ii. Master (born 1987 and before)
 - iii. Grand Master (born 1972 and before)

4 ENTRY AND REGISTRATION

- 4.1 Entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19 'Eligibility Code'.
- 4.2 Competitor registrations shall be made via
- <https://forms.gle/Vyu9W7E36hKhXstRA>
- 4.3 Entries will be accepted on a first come-first served basis.
- 4.4 Registration fees per competitor are as follows, it shall be made during the registration not later than 09:00 am on 9 Dec 2023. The registration fees are not refundable except if the event is cancelled:

WAHK's Member	Non-WAHK's member
HKD \$100	HKD \$200

- 4.5 Competitors under the age of 18 shall provide the Parental/legal guardian consent prior to completing registration formalities on site.
- 4.6 An entry is not complete until the competitor has fully paid the registration fee and has completed registration at the venue.

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The schedule will be as follows (all times are local):

Time	Program
08:15 - 09:00	Registration
09:00	Skipper Meeting
09:30	First Possible Warning Signal
14:00	Last Possible Warning Signal
ASAP	Prize Presentation Ceremony (if any)

- 5.2 A maximum of 8 races are scheduled for the Wingfoil Class

6 FORMAT AND SCORING

- 6.1 Minimum of 1 race is required to be completed to constitute an event.
- 6.2 Scoring will be according to the RRS Appendix A and B8.
- 6.3 Each board's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score when from 4 or more races have been completed. This changes RRS Appendix A2.
- 6.4 Age division rankings (if any) will be established by simple extraction from the overall standings of each division.
- 6.5 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, racers may submit a scoring enquiry form to the race office.



- 6.6 The event will be cancelled if:
- Tropical cyclone warning signal number 3; or
 - Black rainstorm warning signals in force at 07:00 am.
- 6.7 Final ranking of Wingfoil class will be counted into Hong Kong Wingfoil GP overall ranking. The details should follow the Hong Kong Wingfoil GP guidelines.

7 CLASS/DIVISION FLAGS

7.1 For Wingfoil, the flags for each categories and divisions shall be:

Class	Divisions	Flag
Wingfoil	Men Open	White Flag with M
Wingfoil	Women Open	White Flag with W

8 MARKS

8.1 The mark shall be:

Mark	Description, Colour, Shape	
Start Marks	<u>Starboard End</u> Race Committee Signal Boat with an Orange Flag; or an Orange Cylindrical Mark with an Orange Flag	<u>Pin End</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Race Committee Pin-End Boat with an Orange Flag; ● or an Orange Cylindrical Mark with an Orange Flag
Mark 1/2/3/4	An Orange Cylindrical Mark	
Finish Marks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Race Committee Signal Boat with Blue Flag; and ● White Spherical Mark 	

9 COURSES AND RACING AREAS

- 9.1 The diagrams in Addendum 1 show the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 9.3 Course flag will be displayed on a white board.

10 STARTING AND FINISHING

10.1 All races will be started by using the following signals

Minutes before Starting Signal	Visual Signal	Sound Signal	Meaning
3	Class flag displayed	One	Warning signal
2	I, U, Black Flag displayed	One	Preparatory signal
1	I, U, Black Flag removed	One long	One-minute signal
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal



This changes RRS Appendix B3 rules 26.1 and 26.2.

10.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and either:

- a) the course side of the laid inflatable mark, or
- b) a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee pin-vessel

This changes RRS Race Signals

10.3 [DP] When a starting sequence is in progress, Wingfoils whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as an area 100 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.

10.4 A racer starting later than 3 minutes (or 1 minute for Slalom) after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10.5 To alert racers that a sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least **two** minutes before a warning signal is made.

10.6 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag and a white spherical mark.

10.7 [DP] Racer that have finished shall sail clear of the finish area.

11 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

11.1 Time limits and target times are in minutes and as follows:

Format	Divisions	Target Time	Time Limit	Finish Window
Slalom	Men Open	4	6	6
	Women Open	6	12	6
U	Men Open	6	12	6
	Women Open	8	16	8

11.2 Not meeting the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11.3 Racer not finishing within the Finish Time Window (time after the first of her division starts, sails the course and finishes) will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5.1 and A5.2

12 [DP] [SP] [NP] IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

12.1 When provided by the organizing authority, racers shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:

- Competition bibs for all competitors with an individually assigned competition number, worn as intended over all other clothing and equipment at any time when afloat.
- Event advertising
- Cameras and other media equipment

13 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

13.1 The official notice board is online here:

- <https://www.racingrulesofsailing.org/documents/7595/event>

13.2 Complementary information may be posted via Telegram group

- <https://t.me/wahkwingfoilgp>

13.3 The location of the official flagpole is the Jockey Club Stanley Windsurfing Centre.

13.4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.



- 13.5 The SSI (if any) will be posted on the official notice board no later than the skippers meeting.

14 CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 14.1 Any change to the NoR/SI and the SSI will be posted 30 minutes before it will take effect.

15 [DP] [SP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 When Flag G is displayed ashore, competitors returning ashore shall either personally check in at the official flag pole where the flag is displayed, or be reported as safe by their support personnel.
- 15.2 Wingfoils not leaving the launching area for a scheduled race shall promptly notify the race committee.
- 15.3 A helmet to the minimum standard EN1385 or EN1077 or equivalent with at least 300 square centimeters of the exterior surface in a high visibility colour shall be worn at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment, or during on-water interviews.
- 15.4 Body protection (Impact vest) which may also act as a personal flotation device shall be worn at all times when afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

16 [DP] [NP] CODE OF CONDUCT

- 16.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Non-compliance may be misconduct.
- 16.2 Wingfoils not racing shall remain clear of areas where Wingfoils are racing and any official boat.

17 HEARING REQUESTS AND PENALTIES

- 17.1 Hearing request forms are available at the race office.
- 17.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered at the race office within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held beginning at the time posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 15 minutes before the end of the protest time limit.
- 17.4 Penalties for breaches of class rules or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP] or [SP], should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the protest committee.
- 17.5 For breaches of NoR/SI marked [SP], the race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing to the race closest in time to the incident. The scores of other Wingfoils shall not be changed; therefore, two Wingfoils may receive the same score. However, the race committee may protest a Wingfoil when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A Wingfoil that has been penalized with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another Wingfoil nor can another Wingfoil request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 63.1 and Appendix A5.



18 PRIZES

18.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first 5 competitors of each constituted division.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see RRS 3- Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the event

20 INSURANCE

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

21 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

21.1 In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing 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, for the said event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he or she participates without compensation.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

22.1 Registration will take place at the race office.

22.2 For further information, please contact the Windsurfing Association of Hong Kong, China

■ Tel.: (852) 2504 8255

■ Fax.: (852) 2577 7529

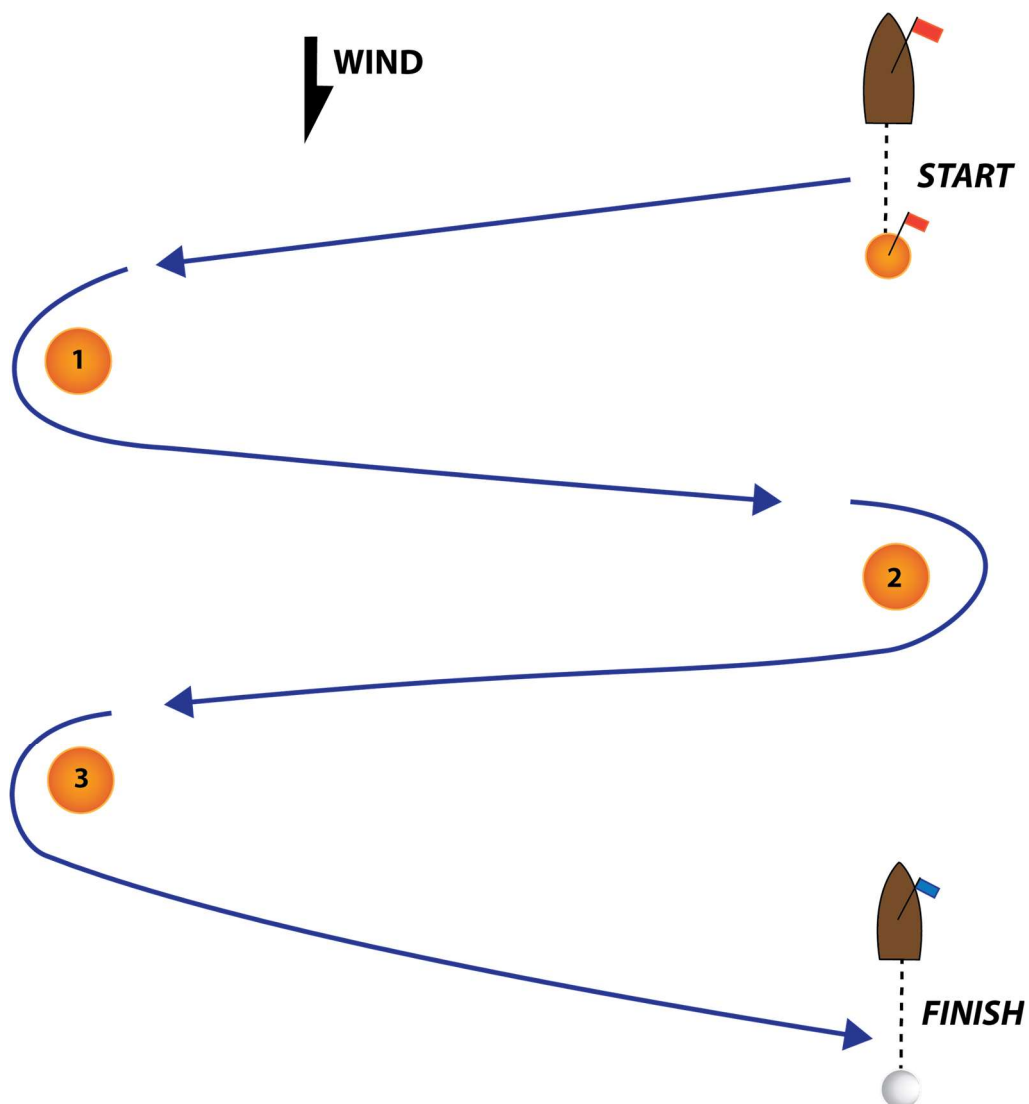
■ E-mail: wahk@windsurfing.org.hk

■ Address: Room 1001, Olympic House, 1 Stadium Path, So Kon Po, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong



• ADDENDUM 1 – COURSE DIAGRAMS

Slalom Course



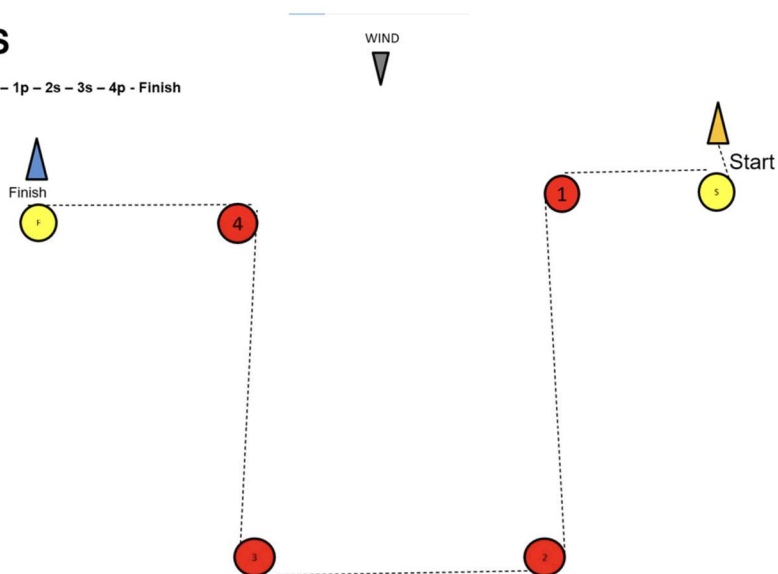
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
S	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > Finish



U Course

US

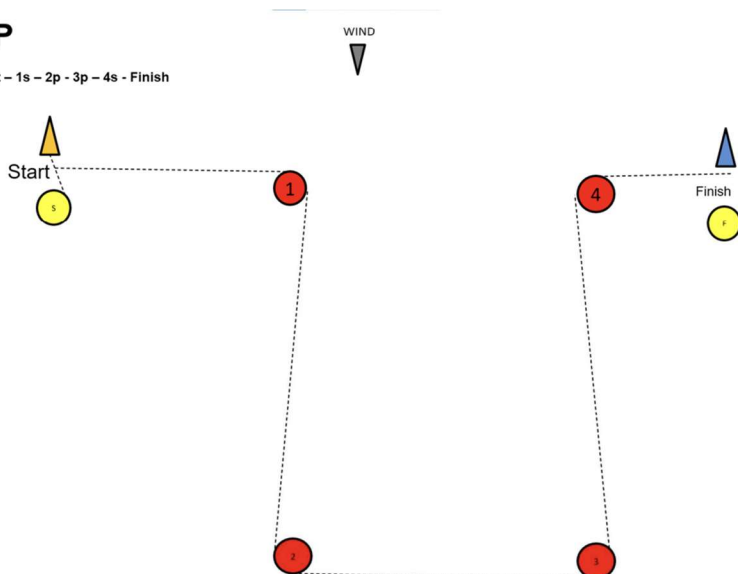
Start - 1p - 2s - 3s - 4p - Finish



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
US	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > 4 > Finish

UP

Start - 1s - 2p - 3p - 4s - Finish



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
UP	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > 4 > Finish