NOTICE OF RACE

2014 AFRICAN WINDSURFING CHAMPIONSHIPS

28th December 2014 to 4th January 2015

to be held in

Bejaia, Algeria

Federation Algerienne de Voile (FAV)

in co-operation with the

Techno 293, Raceboard & RS:X Class Associations

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event *including*

- 2014 RS:X AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
- 2014 TECHNO 293 AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
- 2014 RACEBOARD AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS
1 RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing – Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR).

1.2 The Championship Rules of the participating classes as amended by SI’s.

1.3 Class Rule amendments: Techno – NoR #8.5.

1.4 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.5 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADVERTISING

Boards may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. ISAF Regulation 20 ‘Advertising Code’ shall apply.

3 CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

3.1 The participating classes and divisions shall be:

3.1.1 Techno 293 Class - Junior Boy & Girl; Youth Boy & Girl; Open Men & Women.

3.1.2 Raceboard Class – Men & Women; Youth Men & Women; Masters Men.

3.1.3 RS:X – Men & Women; Youth Men & Women.

3.2 Age Divisions:

3.2.1 A Techno Junior shall be under 15 years of age (born in 2000 or not later than 2003).

3.2.2 A Techno Youth shall be under 17 years of age (born in 1998 or not later than 2001).

3.2.3 A Techno Open (A17) sailor shall be aged 17 years or older (born in 1997 or earlier).

3.2.4 A Raceboard Youth shall be under 20 years of age (born in 1995 or later).

3.2.5 A Raceboard Master shall be a man aged 35 or older (born in 1978 or earlier).

3.2.6 An RS:X Youth shall be under 19 years of age (born in 1996 or later).

3.3 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division. If there are less than the minimum registered for a division those competitors shall be entered as a sub-division of another valid division.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 All entries shall meet the requirements of ISAF Regulation 19-Eligibility Code.

4.2 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association which is a paid up member of the relevant international class association, or of the IWA. Membership formalities can be completed on site.

4.3 Eligible competitors may enter online - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment may be required.

The following shall be presented upon event registration at the venue:

- Evidence of valid third party insurance
- Proof of age
- Emergency Contact & Health Information Form - for those under age of 18

4.4 Coaches and support personnel may register online.

The following shall be presented at event registration on the venue:

- Boat Driving Licence (if applicable)
- Evidence of valid third party insurance
5 ENTRY FEES
5.1 The required fee is 50 euro.
5.2 Late entries by competitors, accepted at event venue registration, may incur a late entry fee of 20 euro.
5.3 A coach registration fee of 30 euro is required for coaches and support personnel.
5.4 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash – euro.

6 RACE FORMAT
6.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline, course racing “open entry” event.
6.2 Men and women, boys and girls, may race together, depending on entry numbers.
6.3 Classes shall have separate starts.
6.4 The Techno Class shall race a maximum 3 races per day, in maximum 12 race series.
6.5 The Raceboard & RS:X Class shall race a maximum 3 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
6.6 Three races are required to validate the championship for each class/division.

7 SCHEDULE
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7.2 The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 11:00 hrs, except on the 29 December when the first warning signal for a practice race will be made at 14:00hrs.

8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION
8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form shall be completed and returned to the Event Equipment Inspectors by the close of registration.
8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
8.3 Upon completion of registration and until the end of the event, at all times when ashore except when launching and retrieving, all equipment shall be kept in their assigned places at event site. Removal of any equipment from the event site requires prior written approval from the race committee. Access to equipment in the storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.
8.4 Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.
8.5 **Techno.** Competitors in the Techno Junior (under 15) division may use either the 5.8 OD sail/rig OR any sail of 5.5sqm, or less, as the change-down from the 6.8 OD. Any aluminium boom or carbon mast (not exceeding 75% carbon) may be used with the 5.5 change-down sail.

9 **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
The sailing instructions (SI’s) will be available upon registration. Any changes to the SI’s shall be approved by the Class Representative at the event.

10 **COURSES**
Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

11 **PROTEST COMMITTEE**
A Protest Committee will be appointed in accordance with WCR 91 (a).

12 **SCORING**
Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A.

13 **SUPPORT BOATS**
Support boats shall be registered at the race office. Limited charter may be available and may be applied for at organisation.

14 **SAFETY**
14.1 If personal buoyancy is prescribed every competitor and support boat crewmember shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50), or as specified in the SI’s.
14.2 Personal buoyancy is mandatory for all competitors under 17 years of age.

15 **PRIZES**
15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted class/division.
15.2 The first placed sailor in each properly constituted class/division shall be known as the – **2014 (class/division) African Champion**.
15.3 African Titles will only be awarded to sailors from an African nation.

16 **OFFICIAL CEREMONIES**
Competitors are requested to attend the event’s social functions; however, the organising authority may refuse entry to those whose standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion. **Prize winners may forfeit prizes for non attendance at the prize giving ceremony.**
17  DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see WCR 4 - Decision to Race. The organising 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.

18  INSURANCE

Each participating board shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 300,000 euro per event or the equivalent.

19  RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

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, for the said Event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

20  FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1  Registration will take place at the host club

20.2  For further information please contact: fav

E-mail: favoile.alg@gmail.com   Telephone: 213 23 258 251
A  EARLY ARRIVALS

Competitors arriving early are advised that support from the organizers can be arranged, in advance, from Algiers to Bejaia. For early arriving contact: lali hocine

B  EQUIPMENT FOR CHARTER

A limited amount of charter equipment may be available, please contact LALI HOCINE

C  PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Wind conditions 6 >18 knots

Water temperature 15-18 degrees + Air temperature 25 > 22 degrees

D  TRANSFERS

Transfers can be arranged from the International Airport in Algiers to the event site. For details and cost please contact: LALI HOCINE

E  ACCOMMODATION

For details of accommodation options contact FAV or Hocine Lali

F  VENUE