

RS:X Class AGM 2017

SUBMISSION FORM

The deadline for submissions is **2400 hrs UTC on August 17th 2017**

This submission form shall be used as the format for your submission, saved as a PDF and returned by email to andrus@rsxclass.org

Please read the following notes carefully before completing the Submission Form.

- In accordance with the RS:X Constitution Articles # 7.4, 7.4.1 and 7.12.5 a submission shall be sent by e-mail to the RS:X Class Executive Secretary (andrus@rsxclass.org) by a National Class Association being a Full Member (having paid the required Annual Membership Fee to the RS:X Class) before 2400 hrs UTC on August 17th 2017.
- To make your submission as clear as possible, the original exact wording received on submission forms shall be retained in the final formatted submissions. However if wording is unclear the RS:X Class will consult the originator for clarification.
- Please click in the highlighted boxes in the Form below to insert the purpose or objective, the proposal, the current position and the reasons.
- If the submission proposes new policy, please insert the wording in full in the “Proposal” section and also complete the “Current Position” and “Reason” section.
- If the submission proposes a change to existing Articles, Regulations, the Racing Rules, or other RS:X or World Sailing Codes and Rules, please insert the current version in the “Proposal” section highlighting new wording as **bold and underlined**, and text to be deleted as ~~double struck through~~. The words “as above” should then be inserted in the “Current Position”. Clearly defined reasons should be inserted in the “Reason” section.
- The font and size for text in submissions is Arial 11pt
- The font Times New Roman 12pt should only be used when inserting current wording or new wording proposals to amend the Racing Rules of Sailing.

Authorisation to make a submission <i>(Only a duly authorised person may make a submission. Please detail name of authorised person)</i>	
Country Code: <i>(eg. AUS)</i>	RS:X Executive Committee
Name of Authorised Person:	Carlo Dalla Vedova
Position: <i>(Position in NCA)</i>	The President
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<i>All submissions will be acknowledged. If you do not receive an acknowledgment or you need any further information about the submission process, please contact Andrus Poksi - andrus@rsxclass.org</i>	

Title:

RS:X Class Race Format

Subtitle:

New Race Format for Final Races

A submission from:

RS:X Class Executive Committee

Purpose or Objective

To implement the new, attractive and spectacular racing format for the final races at the RS:X principal events, including the Olympic games.

Proposal

1. The event will consist of an Opening series followed by Final races.
2. The 12 (twelve) boards ranked highest in the Opening series will be assigned to compete in the Final races. The winner of Opening series will qualify directly to Grand Final and the 2nd overall position from the Opening series will qualify directly to Semi Final.
3. Three Final races are scheduled.
 - a. A one race Quarter Final for 10 boards ranked overall positions 3rd to 12th from the Opening Series.
 - b. A one race Semi Final for the 5 highest ranked boards from the Quarter Final + the 2nd overall position from the Opening Series.
 - c. A one race Grand Final for the 3 highest ranked boards from the Semi Final + the 1st overall position (the winner) from the Opening Series

4. The course configuration will be, at the discretion of the Class Course Representative, a Windward-Leeward course (RRS 26 applies) on non-planing racing conditions or Reaching Start course (RRS Appendix B3.26.2 Starting System 2) on planing racing conditions.
5. On the Reaching Starts, RRS B10.29 (Recalls) applies with the following amendments:

B10.29 RECALLS

For a Final series that will qualify a board to compete in a later stage of an event, rule 29 is changed to:

(a) When at a board's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the race committee shall signal a general recall.

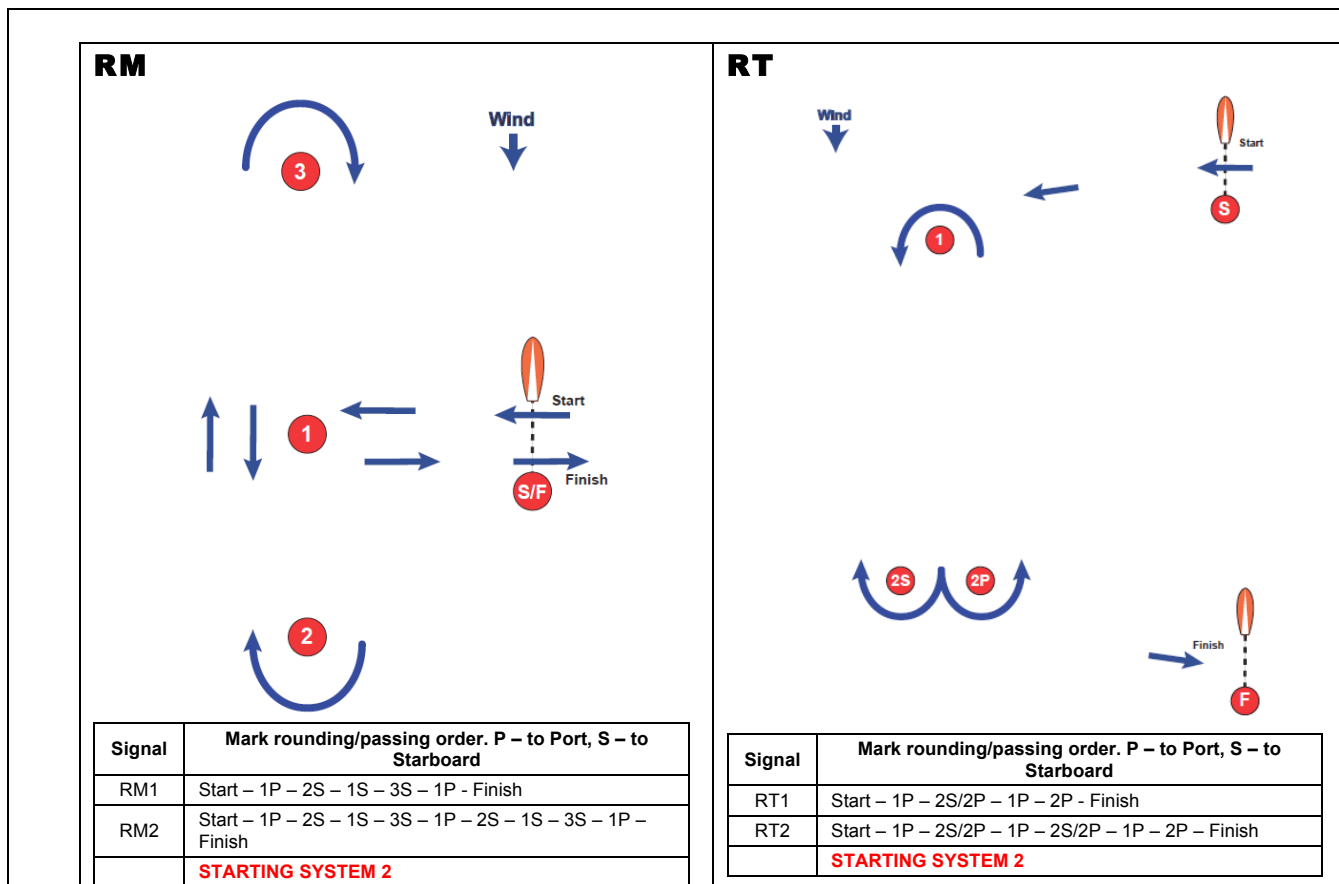
(b) If the race committee acts under rule B10.29(a) and the board is identified for the first

time, she shall receive a warning. If the race is restarted or resailed, she may sail in it. The race committee shall hail or display her sail number.

(c) If the race committee acts under rule B10.29(a) and the board who has a warning from race committee for that race, is identified again, she shall be disqualified without a hearing, even if the race is abandoned. The race committee shall hail or display her sail number, and she shall leave the course area immediately. If the race is restarted or resailed, she shall not sail in it.

(d) If the race was completed but was later abandoned by the protest committee, and if the race is resailed, a board disqualified under rule B10.29(c) may sail in it.

6. For Windward/Leeward course, the Target time is 20 minutes; the Time limit is 40 minutes and the Finish Window is 10 minutes.
7. For Reaching Start course, the Target time is 10-15 minutes; the Time limit is 30 minutes and the Finish Window is 10 minutes.
8. There will be no point scoring in the Finals. A board's score in a race will be based on her finishing order in that race.
9. The Final races shall not be excluded neither will the Final races trigger any discards from results in Opening Series.
10. The highest ranked board (winner) from the Opening series will qualify directly to the Grand Final race and the 2nd overall ranked board from the Opening series will advance directly to the Semi Final race.
11. The first 5 (five) finishers in the Quarter Final race and the second overall ranked board from the Opening series shall advance to the Semi Final race. The last 5 boards in the Quarter Final race shall be scored in positions 8th to 12th in the event according to their finishing order. If no Quarter Final is completed, boards will be ranked according to overall scores in Opening Series.
12. The first 3 (three) finishers in the Semi Final race and the first overall ranked board from the Opening Series shall advance to the Grand Final. The last 3 boards in the Semi Final race shall be scored in positions 5th to 7th in the event, according to their finishing order. If no Semi Final is completed, boards will be ranked according to their ranking after the Quarter Final race.
13. The winner of the Grand Final race is the winner of the event. The second finisher shall be scored 2nd place, the third finisher shall be scored 3rd place and the fourth finisher shall be scored 4th in the event. If no Grand Final is completed, boards will be ranked according to their ranking after the Semi Final race.
14. The following recommended race courses may be used, including that the courses may be flipped over:



Current Position

Ten boards ranked highest in the opening series will be assigned to compete in the Medal Race. The scores of the boards are based on the number of boards assigned in Medal Race and their points in the Medal Race are doubled.

The Windward/Leeward course is used with the windward start. The Target time is 20 minutes; the Time limit is 40 minutes and the Finish Window is 10 minutes. For the starting procedure RRS 26 applies.

Reason

1. It is much more attractive for spectators when the format is easily understandable and the winner is the sailor who crosses the finishing line first (no points scoring applied!)
2. The reaching start on planing conditions (10+ knots) is attractive and reflects the values of the windsurfing discipline on better way.