2019 RS:X WINDSURFING AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS & OPEN TROPHY

NOTICE OF RACE

Federation Algerienne de Voile as the Local Organizing Authority (LOA), under specified conditions laid down by the International RS:X Class Association is pleased to invite RS:X sailors to take part in these events scheduled for

October 6th – 12th 2019
Algiers, Algeria
1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
1.2. No National prescriptions will apply.
1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
1.4. The championship is the African Continental Qualification event for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games for RS:X Men and RS:X Women – Qualification System. The top ranked male competitor and top ranked female competitor from the African country, shall qualify that country to compete in the Men's Windsurfer and Women's Windsurfer events in the Olympic Games.

2. [DP] ADVERTISING & SAIL INSIGNIAS & NATIONAL FLAGS

2.1. Sails and competitors may be required to carry advertising for event sponsors, which will be supplied by the local organizing committee in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 – Advertising Code.
2.2. On the sail the event sponsor’s branding shall be placed immediately below batten #5 and as close to the leech as possible.
2.3. Competitors shall provide their own self adhesive National Flags and replacements.
2.4. For Fleet Identification, each competitor may be issued by LOA with branded lycra or bib vest, which shall be worn whilst racing.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY REGULATIONS

3.1. All entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19 – Eligibility Code.
3.2. The 2019 RS:X Windsurfing African Championships and open trophy shall be open to competitors of all nationalities, however the African Champion’s title shall be awarded to the best African national competitor.
3.3. Events shall run concurrently.
3.4. A minimum of five entries is required for each event to constitute a valid championship.
3.5. The deadline for valid entries is by 2400hrs (UTC) on September 30th 2019.
3.5.1. Late entries may be accepted after this deadline at the discretion of the International RS:X Class Association (ICA).
3.6. Competitors shall have a World Sailing Sailor ID before their entry.
3.7. A competitor shall be a member of a National RS:X Class Association (NCA) which is a paid up member of the International RS:X Class Association (ICA), or, a member of the ICA when the NCA is not a current member of the ICA. Class membership formalities can be completed at the event venue at registration.
3.8. Eligible competitors shall enter payment in euros by bank transfer before the entry deadline, unless extended by the ICA.
3.8.1. An entry is not valid until paid.
3.8.2. 50% of entry fees may be refundable if accompanied by a medical certificate issued by a medical doctor stating a valid reason why the competitor cannot compete.
3.9. The following documentation will be required at Registration on site:
3.9.1. Proof of valid third party liability Insurance
3.9.2. Proof of age (passport).
3.9.3. A completed Parental Permission Form for entries under the age of 18 years. This form may be completed online but a printed copy shall be brought to registration.
4. FEES

4.1. The Entry Fee is 160 euros for Divisions A (Men) and B (Women).
4.2. Those who have made payment by bank transfer shall email a copy of the bank transfer document authorized by their bank to the Federation Algerienne de Voile.
4.3. Bank details are:
   A/C: Federation Algerienne de Voile
   Bank Details: Banque Nationale D’algerie
   Branch Code: Agence Ain Taya 00646
   Bank address: Place Mohammed Khemisti Ain Taya Alger, Algerie
   IBAN: 0200650019-31
   SWIFTBIC: BNALDZALXXX

5. FORMAT

5.1. Division A (Men), division B (Women) shall start separately but may sail on the same course area.
5.2. The regatta will consist of an Opening Series. If the event is split into Fleets, the Opening Series will be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Final Series.
5.3. Three races are scheduled each day. The schedule is set irrespective of planing conditions.
5.4. Three races are required to validate the championship for each division.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 1100 hrs (except the Practice Race – see below).
6.2. Event Schedule

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7. [DP] EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT CHECKS

7.1. Equipment is not supplied by the Organizing Authority and all competitors shall use their own equipment. Equipment that is loaned or chartered shall be considered to be the competitor’s own equipment.
7.2. There is no on-line submission of serial numbers of equipment to be used and there will be no official measurement prior to the first race. Competitors may check their own equipment using the official scales etc. The event Technical Committee will be available to answer questions.

7.3. Before the close of registration, competitors shall register each piece of equipment they intend to use by sticking the self-adhesive ‘Fast Check’ numbers on to those pieces of equipment and handing to the event Technical Committee a completed Pre-event Equipment Form. Fast Check stickers and the Pre-event Equipment Form will be issued at Registration. In addition competitors shall present the fin to be used to the event Technical Committee for stamping.

7.4. Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the event.

7.5. Competitors and their equipment shall be on site by **1200hrs** on **October 7th 2019**.

8. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

8.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the on-site Registration.

9. **VENUE**

9.1. The regatta site is: ENSNSA (Ecole Nationale des Sports Nautiques & Subaquatiques)  
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Contact: Mr Hocine Lali  
Email: favoile.alg@gmail.com /lalihocine@yahoo.fr  
Phone: +21323 258 251 / +213 664 439 700  

10. **COURSES**

10.1. Courses will be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2. Race target time will be 20-25 minutes for all races. This may be varied at the discretion of the Class Course Representative.

11. **PENALTY SYSTEM**

11.1. In addition to the rules designated [DP] the SI may include standard penalties [SP] to be applied by the race committee without a hearing for specified rules. This will change RRS 63.1 and A5.

12. **INTERNATIONAL JURY**

12.1. An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with the RRS 91(b).

12.2. Its decisions will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

13. **SCORING**

13.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A applies as amended by Appendix B8.

13.2 In split fleets a minimum of 4 completed races is required to complete a Qualifying Series.

13.3 A competitor’s series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score(s) as follows:

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13.3.2 Discards in Opening Series when racing in more than one Fleet:

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14. SUPPORT PERSONS & SUPPORT BOATS

14.1. Support Persons may register with payment by credit/debit card or bank transfer. Payment made at the event venue at registration shall be in cash and Euros only.

14.2. The Support Person’s Fee for registration received and paid by 2400hrs (UTC) on **October 06th, 2019** is **50** euros.

14.3. A registration is not valid until paid.

14.4. The following documentation shall be brought to the event Race Office before the Practice Race:

14.4.1. Proof of valid third party liability Insurance.

14.4.2. Boat driving license.

15. [DP] STORAGE

15.1. On completion of registration and continuing until the end of the regatta, when ashore (other than when launching and retrieving), all boards shall be kept in their assigned places. Removal of any board from the assigned place shall require prior written approval from the event Technical Committee. Access to boards in the board storage area during certain hours, including hours of darkness may be restricted.

15.2. Unless otherwise directed by the LOA, all competing boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area.

15.3. Boards shall be removed from the venue on the Departure Day as defined in the Schedule.

16. [DP] SAFETY

16.1. Competitors shall carry a whistle as specified in the Class Rules C1.2.

16.2. Sailors under 18 years old shall wear a personal flotation device at all times when afloat and that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50).

17. PRIZES

17.1. Medals (titles) for the 2019 RS:X Windsurfing African Championships will be awarded to the first three Men and Women competitors in African national events and trophies/prizes to the first five Men and Women Overall events.

17.2. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the RS:X Class Administration.

17.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Federation Algerienne de voile

18. RISK STATEMENT

18.1. Rule 4 of the RRS states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

18.1.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
18.1.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
18.1.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
18.1.4. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
18.1.5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
18.1.6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;
18.1.7. The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a boat does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

19. **INSURANCE**

19.1. Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1 million euros.
19.2. Coaches and support boat drivers shall also have valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1.5 million euros.
19.3. Failure to provide evidence of insurance cover may be penalized by exclusion from the event.
19.4. It is possible to purchase third party liability insurance at registration (AMANA insurance.)

20. **DRUG TESTING**

20.1. Competitors are reminded of the World Sailing rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances. Drug testing may take place during the event.

21. **TELEVISION AND MEDIA**

21.1. In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant to the LOA and the International RS:X Olympic Windsurfing Class Association 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 reproductions of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said Championship as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions in which he/she participates without compensation.

22. **OFFICIAL CEREMONIES & DRESS CODE**

22.1. Competitors should attend the Opening Ceremony, Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony.
22.1.1. Smart casual clothes will be worn.
NOTICE OF RACE ENDS

The conditions that can be expected are: wind speed 10-22 knots, water temperature 20-22°C and air temperature 20-26°C.

For issues related to travel, transfers and accommodation, please contact Mr. Hocine Lali
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Transfers: will be provided by the Federation Algerienne de voile from and to the Airport for free (Arrival & departure)

Accommodation: can be arranged at the venue (ENSNSA Alger Plage) for cost €300, all meals included. (from 06th to 12th October) And dealt with on a first come, first served basis.
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Hotels: Raiss / La perouse / La turquoise (further information will be posted at time in the event website).

Neither the LOA nor International RS:X Class Association take responsibility for travel and accommodation arrangements made in error.

For coach boat charter (further information will be posted at time in the event website). please contact: Mr. Hocine Lali
Charters are dealt with on a first come, first served basis.

Contact Andrus Poksi andrus@rsxclass.org at RS:X Executive Office in case of any questions.