2019 RS:X WINDSURFING YOUTH WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

including the 2019 Saint Petersburg RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships

NOTICE OF RACE

St. Petersburg Regional Sports Non-Govern Organization “Yacht Club of St. Petersburg” as the Local Organizing Authority (LOA), under specified conditions laid down by the International RS:X Class Association, as the Organizing Authority (OA) is pleased to invite RS:X sailors to take part in these events scheduled for

August 4th – 10th 2019
Saint Petersburg, Russia
[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is applied according to the RRS Introduction - Notation.

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. Competitors may use also a Mark 1 fin according to the RS:X Class Rule C.7.1(d)(ii).
1.4. The following Class Rules shall be deleted: C.1.2(a), C.6.5(b), C.7.4(b) and C.9.2(b).
1.5. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
1.6. For Medal Races, World Sailing Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing, will apply and change a number of racing rules. The version that is current when the regatta begins will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

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. For Fleet Identification, each competitor may be issued with branded lycra, 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 Youth World Championships shall be open to competitors of all nationalities but only if that competitor is under 19 years of age on 31 December 2019 (born on 2001 or later).
3.3. The 2019 Saint Petersburg RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships shall be open to all competitors entered in the 2019 RS:X Windsurfing Youth World Championships but only if that competitor is under 17 years of age on 31 December 2019 (born on 2003 or later).
3.4. Events shall run concurrently.
3.5. A minimum of five entries is required for each event to constitute a valid championship.
3.6. The deadline for valid entries is by 2400hrs (UTC) on July 28th 2019.
3.6.1. Entries may be accepted after this deadline at the discretion of the International RS:X Class Association (ICA).
3.7. Competitors shall have a World Sailing Sailor ID before their entry.
3.8. 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.
3.9. Eligible competitors shall enter online with payment in euros by credit/debit card or bank transfer before the entry deadline, unless extended by the ICA.
3.9.1. An entry is not valid until paid.
3.9.2. 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.
3.10. The following documentation will be required at Registration on site:
3.10.1. Proof of valid third party liability Insurance
3.10.2. Proof of age (passport).
3.10.3. 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 **150 euros**.
4.2. The Entry Fee paid after the deadline as stated in NOR 3.6 shall be **200 euros**.
4.3. Those who have made payment by bank transfer shall email a copy of the bank transfer document authorized by their bank to the IWA office.
4.4. Bank details are:
   - **A/C:** The International Windsurfing Association
   - **Bank Details:** Barclays Bank Plc, GB
   - **IBAN:** GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99
   - **SWIFTBIC:** BARCGB22

5. **FORMAT**

5.1. Youth Men and Youth Women shall start separately but will sail on the same course area.
5.2. The regatta will consist of an Opening Series and, provided a minimum of 6 races have been completed in the Opening Series, a Medal Race. If the event is split into Fleets, the Opening Series will be divided into a Qualifying Series and a Final Series. The top 10 finishers in the Opening Series will advance to the Medal Race.
5.3. Three races are scheduled each day. On the last day one Medal Race is scheduled with one further Opening Series race for those not assigned to the Medal Race.
5.4. The schedule is set irrespective of planing conditions.

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 July 5th 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: Park of the 300th Anniversary of Saint Petersburg

Address: Primorskiy Prospect 74, Saint Petersburg, Russia,

Contact: 
Elena Solovyeva, Event Director – solovyeva@yacht-club-spb.ru
Anastasia Zholobova, Event Manager – zholobova.rsx2019@gmail.com


10. **COURSES**

10.1. At the discretion of the Class Course Representative the course will be Trapezoidal or Windward-Leeward Courses for Opening Series. The courses may have slalom ends.

10.2. For the Medal Races the course will be, at the discretion of the Class Course Representative, a Windward-Leeward course on non-planing racing conditions or Reaching Start course (RRS Appendix B3.26.2 Starting System 2 with RRS 29.1 and 29.2 applies) on planing racing conditions. For reaching starts RRS B2.17 shall apply.

10.3. 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 Scores for the 2019 Saint Petersburg RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships will be extracted from the 2019 RS:X Windsurfing Youth World Championship results without recalculation.

13.3 Three races are required to be completed to constitute any valid Championship.
13.4 For a Medal Race, a minimum of 6 races is required to be completed to constitute an Opening Series. A minimum of 4 completed races is required to complete a Qualifying Series and a minimum of 2 completed Final Series races is required to complete a Final Series.

13.5 A competitor’s series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score(s) as follows (This changes RRS B8.A2.1):

13.5.1 Discards in Opening Series when racing in single Fleet:

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

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13.6 In Medal Races:

13.6.1 A competitor’s score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4.1.

13.6.2 The score for these races shall not be excluded from the series score neither does the Medal Race score trigger any discards from results in Opening Series.

13.7 The competitors assigned to compete in the Medal Races will be ranked highest in the regatta except for a competitor disqualified from a Medal Race under rule RRS 5, 6, 7 or 69.

13.8 If no Medal Races are completed, competitors will be ranked according to overall scores in Opening Series. If no race in Final Series is completed then competitors will be ranked according to overall scores in Qualifying Series.

14. SUPPORT PERSONS & SUPPORT BOATS

14.1. Support Persons may register online 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 July 28th, 2019 is 50 euros. Payment received after shall be 65 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 (if applicable).

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 Class Rules C1.2.
16.2. Personal Floatation Device (life-jacket) is mandatory for every competitor when afloat.

17. **PRIZES**

17.1. Medals for the 2019 RS:X Windsurfing Youth World Championships will be awarded to the first three and trophies/prizes to the first five Men and Women events.
17.2. Trophies/prizes for the 2019 Saint Petersburg RS:X U17 Windsurfing Championships will be awarded to the first five Men and Women events.
17.3. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the RS:X Class Administration.

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.

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. Casual clothes should be worn.

**NOTICE OF RACE ENDS**

The conditions that can be expected are: wind speed 8-20 knots, water temperature 15-20°C and air temperature 20-25°C.

Travel, transfers and accommodation:

The accommodation facilities are published on the event website: [http://www.rsxclass.org/youthworlds2019/accommodation/](http://www.rsxclass.org/youthworlds2019/accommodation/)

For issues related to visa, travel, transfers and accommodation, or other questions please contact Email: askquestions.rsx2019@gmail.com

On February 1, a visa application form will appear on the Event website, as well as a reservation for parking spaces, and to receive special conditions for accommodation.

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

There is limited equipment that will be available for charter and dealt with on a first come, first served basis. Please contact: boris.arama@vtspor.ru

For coach boat charter please contact: Charter.rsx2019@gmail.com
Charters are dealt with on a first come, first served basis.
The coach boat facilities are published on the event website: [www.rsxclass.org/youthworlds2019](http://www.rsxclass.org/youthworlds2019)

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