



## Formula Windsurfing & Slalom

May 6th to 10th 2008

[The regatta is an IFWC Level 1 World Ranking Event]

### Notice of Race

#### 1. EVENT

- 1.1. The 2008 Sines-Portugal Windsurfing Grand Prix takes place from Tuesday May 6th to Saturday May 10th 2008.
- 1.2. The regatta is an IFWC Level 1 World Ranking event and round 1 of the Formula Windsurfing Grand Prix (World) Tour.
- 1.3. The regatta is an IFCA world ranking event

#### 2. ORGANIZATION

- 2.1. The event is organised by Overpower Club for and on behalf of, and under specified conditions laid down by, the IWA, IFWC and IFCA.
- 2.2. The event is sponsored by: Câmara Municipal de Sines, Turismo de Portugal, Turismo do Alentejo, Galp.

#### 3. VENUE

- 3.1. The headquarter of the event is placed on the beach of S.Torpes, Sines, Portugal.  
Website: <http://www.sines.pt/EN/Pages/default.aspx>.
- 3.2. Usual wind in MAY-10-18 knots, usually waves 0,5-1,0 m, usual wind direction N-NW.
- 3.3. The average water temperature is 18°C, and the average air temperature is 18-25°C.

#### 4. RULES

- 4.1. The regatta is governed by:
  - 4.1.1. The ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008 [RRS] Windsurfing Edition;
  - 4.1.2. The IFWC & IFCA Class and Championship Rules;
  - 4.1.3. This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.Alterations to the SI's must be approved by the Class Race Supervisor.  
Competitors shall attend official functions, including the opening and closing ceremonies.  
IFWC and IFCA are both "Category C" as set out in ISAF Regulation 20-Advertising Code.

#### 5. ELIGIBILITY & DISCIPLINE[S]

- 5.1. All entries shall meet the requirements of the ISAF Regulation 19- Eligibility Code.
- 5.2. Competitors shall possess valid third party liability insurance.  
Competitors shall be members of their national class association. National Associations shall be paid up members of the IWA, which is empowered by the class to collect any fees due.  
The 2008 Sines-Portugal Windsurfing Grand Prix is a two discipline regatta - Formula Windsurfing and Slalom.  
The race committee decides if the conditions are suitable for official competitions and which discipline will be run. The intention is to run official competition within the full range

of conditions normally acceptable for the discipline. The decision of the Race Committee shall not be protested.

## **6. CLASSES & FLEETS**

**6.1.** The regatta is a two discipline "open entry" event for male & female competitors.

**6.2.** Women and men may race together. If there are ten or more women they may race separately.

**6.3.** The divisions Youth [U20], Junior [U17], Masters, Grand Masters etc.] race with main fleet.

**6.4.** There may be separate prizes or trophies for Women, Youth [U20], Junior [U17], Masters, Grand Masters divisions.

## **7. DIVISIONS**

**7.1.** Fleet [Gender]:

Men (A); Women (B)

**7.2.** Age:

**7.2.1.** A Junior [U17] shall be under the age of 17; (born in or after 1992).

**7.2.2.** A Youth [U20] shall be under the age of 20; (born in or after 1989).

**7.2.3.** A Master is a competitor who has reached the age of 35 (1972>) or a woman of 30 (1977>).

**7.2.4.** A Grand Master is a competitor who has reached the age of 45 (1962>) or for a woman of 40 (1967>).

**7.2.5.** A competitor must have reached the minimum age limit in the relevant division by Dec 31st. in the year preceding the date of competition.

**7.2.6.** A competitor must not be older than the maximum age limit in the relevant division by Dec 31st of the year of competition.

### **Weight:**

- Lightweight - a sailor who weighs less than 75 kg.

- Heavyweight - a sailor who weighs more than 75 kg.

**7.4.** A minimum of 5 entries is required to constitute a division within a fleet.

## **8. EQUIPMENT**

**8.1.** All competitors may bring their own equipment.

**8.2.** The equipment has to conform to the relevant Class Rules.

## **9. MEASUREMENT**

**9.1.** It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that his/her board and equipment conforms with its Class Rules.

**9.2.** Measurement and equipment checks may be made throughout the event.

## **10. SAIL INSIGNIAS**

**10.1.** National letters & sail numbers shall be black in a colour that contrasts strongly with the body of the sail; placed immediately above the event advertising and positioned according to RRS Appendix G [Letters and Numbers] are required on both sides of the sails.

**10.2.** Alternatively sail insignias may be placed back to back on a white background.

## **11. BUOYANCY**

**11.1.** If personal buoyancy is prescribed, each competitor shall wear above the waist a jacket, a harness, or a vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg, un-inflated, in fresh water.

The buoyancy shall be tested with a metal weight of 4kg which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.

## **12. LIABILITY**

**12.1.** Competitors take part in all races at their own risk. The Organiser, IWA, IFWC, IFCA or any of their officials or representatives or the sponsors or their officials or representatives are not responsible, under any circumstances, for any damage, loss or injury either ashore or on the water either to persons or equipment, which may result.

## **13. COURSES**

**13.1.** The course[s] shall be published on the ONB at least 30 minutes prior to the start of a competition.

## **14. SCORING**

**14.1.** The RRS low points scoring system will apply.

## **15. JURY, PROTEST COMMITTEE**

**15.1.** An independent protest committee will handle the protests.

**15.2.** If an International Jury is appointed in accordance with the ISAF RRS their decisions will be final and cannot be appealed.

## **16. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & EVENT PROGRAM**

**16.1.** The 'SIs' will be available at registration as will the event programme scheduling social events.

## **17. COACHES**

**17.1.** Coaches are required to register in advance **(Form 4)**.

**17.2.** Coach boats may support competitors. Competitors intending to bring their own, shall advise the local organiser in advance.

**17.3.** Coaches shall wear buoyancy aids when the „Y” flag is flown.

## **18. SCHEDULE**

**18.1.** Schedule:

### **May 5th**

- Arrival, Inscription, Registration & Training :: 06:00 pm - 08:00 pm

### **May 6th**

- 08:00 am :: Opening & Check-In
- 09:00 am :: Registration, Measurement
- 10:00 am :: Skipper's Meeting
- 11:00 pm :: First Possible Start
- 08:00 pm :: Opening & Cocktail Ceremony

### **May 7th, 8th**

- 09:30 am :: Skipper's Meeting
- 10:00 am :: First Possible Start
- 07:00 pm :: End of Activities
- 10:00 pm :: Social Activities

### **May 9th**

- 09:30 am :: Skipper's Meeting
- 10:00 am :: First Possible Start
- 07:00 pm :: End of Activities
- 09:00 pm :: Dinner & Party

### **May 10th**

- 09:30 am :: Start of the Competition
- 10:00 am :: VIP Area Opening

- 05:00 pm :: Last Possible Start
- 07:00 pm :: Prize Award Ceremony

### **May 11th**

- Departures

**18.2.** At the discretion of the Organizing Committee, the program could be changed, in which case an Official Notice which will be posted on the ONB by 20:00 of the previous day.

**18.3.** The participation in the closing party/prize giving is obligatory for all competitors. Competitors who win prize money and don't come to the prize giving will lose their prize money.

## **19. SOCIALS, TROPHIES/MEDALS & PRIZES**

**19.1.** The competitors get a warm meal each day. Every evening competitors can expect a lot of attractions, entrance to the event parties is free for all competitors.

**19.2.** The following medals or trophies shall be awarded in each discipline at the prize giving:

- 1st, 2nd, 3rd place Men
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd place Women
- 1st Youth [U20]
- 1st Junior [U17]
- 1st Master [over 35]

**19.3.** In addition there is a prize money fund of EUR 30.000,00 [net of taxes] that will be divided - 20,000 Formula, and 10,000 Slalom. If only one discipline declares a valid result, then 100% of the prize money shall be paid out in the discipline which produced a valid result.

**19.4.** The prize money split shall be according to the rules published on the Class website.

## **20. DRUG TESTING**

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

## **21. TELEVISION & MEDIA**

**21.1.** Registering for the event, competitors automatically grant the Organizing Authority the right to make, use and show any motion pictures, still pictures and taped or filmed television and other reproductions of them taken during the event as defined in the Notice of Race and Sailing Instruction in which they participate without any compensation.

## **22. BIBS/VESTS & COMPETITORS SAIL BRANDING**

**22.1.** During racing, competitors may be required by the organisers to wear bibs/vests carrying the event sponsors' branding and sail stickers above the boom.

## **23. DRESS CODE**

**23.1.** There can be official events where 'smart casual' clothes will be required. The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any person to such events if, in their opinion, the competitor's standard of attire is not commensurate with the occasion.

## **24. ACCOMMODATION & TRAVELLING**

**24.1.** Accommodation:

**Best Western Hotel de Porto Covo**

Dir: Eng<sup>a</sup> Filomena Valério

Reservations/ Reservas: [info@hotelportocovo.com](mailto:info@hotelportocovo.com)

Tel.: +351 269 959 140

Website: [www.hotelportocovo.com](http://www.hotelportocovo.com)

**Hotel Apartamentos Sinerama**

Dir: Sílvia Cabral

Reservations/ Reservas: [sinerama@tdhotels.pt](mailto:sinerama@tdhotels.pt)

Tel.: +351 269 000 100

Website: [www.tdhotels.pt](http://www.tdhotels.pt)

**Albergaria Dom Vasco**

Dir: António Pinho

Reservations/ Reservas: [reservations@domvasco.com](mailto:reservations@domvasco.com)

Tel.: +351 269 630 960

Website: [www.domvasco.com](http://www.domvasco.com)

**Casa do Campo Refúgio da Praia**

Dir: Manuel Francisco da Luz

Reservations/ Reservas: [refugio.praia@gmail.com](mailto:refugio.praia@gmail.com)

Tel.: +351 269 959 063

Website: [www.refugiodaparaia.tipod.com](http://www.refugiodaparaia.tipod.com)

**Casa de Campo Courela do Salgueiro**

Dir: Maria Joaquina da Silva

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Tel.: +351 914 916 782

Website: [www.coureladosalgueiro.com](http://www.coureladosalgueiro.com)

**Residencial Búzio**

Dir: José Carlos Gonçalves

Reservations / Reservas: [reservas@hotelbuzio.com](mailto:reservas@hotelbuzio.com)

Tel.: +351 269 878 790

Website: [www.hotelbuzio.com](http://www.hotelbuzio.com)

**Residencial Malhada**

Dir: Teresa Clemente

Reservations/ Reservas: [mavico@ip.pt](mailto:mavico@ip.pt)

Tel.: +351 269 634 065

Website: [www.malhadasines.com](http://www.malhadasines.com)

**Residencial Veleiro**

Dir: Otília Costa

Reservations/ Reservas: [veleiro@iol.pt](mailto:veleiro@iol.pt)

Tel.: +351 269 634 751

Website: [www.residencialveleiro.com](http://www.residencialveleiro.com)

**Residencial Carvalho**

Dir: Irene Lança

Tel.: +351 269 632 019

**Residencial - Restaurante Zé Inácio**

Dir: José Inácio Francisco

Reservations/ Reservas: [zeinacio.portocovo@mail.telepac.pt](mailto:zeinacio.portocovo@mail.telepac.pt)

Tel.: +351 269 59 136

## Camping

### **Parque de Campismo São Torpes**

Dir: Fernando Brito

Reservations/ Reservas: [saotorpes@msri.pt](mailto:saotorpes@msri.pt)

Tel.: +351 269 632 105

### **Parque Municipal de Sines**

Reservations/ Reservas: [lquiomar@mun-sines.pt](mailto:lquiomar@mun-sines.pt)

Tel.: +351 269 862 531

### **Parque Campismo Costa do Vizir**

Dir: José António Costa

Tel.: +351 269 959 100

Reservations/ Reservas: [recepcao@costadovizir.com](mailto:recepcao@costadovizir.com)

### **Parque de Campismo de Porto Covo**

Dir: Custódio de Oliveira

Reservations/ Reservas: [camping.portovovo@gmail.com](mailto:camping.portovovo@gmail.com)

Tel.: +351 269 905 136

### **Parque de Campismo Ilha do Pessegueiro**

Dir: Dário Valério/ Maria de Jesus

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Tel.: +351 269 905 178

Website: [www.ilhadopessegueirocamping.com](http://www.ilhadopessegueirocamping.com)

### **Casinhas do Monte**

Dir: Manuela Simas

Reservations/ Reservas: [casinhasdomonte@sapo.pt](mailto:casinhasdomonte@sapo.pt)

Tel.: +351 919 076 042

Website: [www.casinhasdomonte.no.sapo.pt](http://www.casinhasdomonte.no.sapo.pt)

### **Sines - Tourist Information**

Largo do Poeta Bocage, 1

Tel.: + 351 269 634 472

#### **24.2. Travel by car:**

From Europe and Africa there are good roads. Overpower Club, with the support of the Michelin Guide, offers here information about the best routes to get to Sines. This information will be available at the official website of the event - [www.overpower.net](http://www.overpower.net). For more details, please contact:

Overpower Club

**Isabel Guimarães**

Rua Coelho da Rocha, 20A

1250-088 Lisboa

Phone: +351 213 957 322

#### **24.3. Travel by aeroplane:**

The doorway to the Sines - 2008 Portugal Windsurfing Grand Prix is through Lisbon's airport which is 161 Kms away from the event site. For more details, please contact Lisbon Airport.



Aeroporto de Lisboa  
Lisboa - 1700-008  
**Director: Dr. Francisco Severino**  
Phone +351 218 415 000

Overpower Club will have a free transfer service from the Lisbon airport to Sines and back to the airport on the day before the Event Start and on the day after the Event finish. This service shall be booked in advance **(Form 5)**.

## **25. PRE-REGISTRATION, ENTRIES & PAYMENT**

**25.1.** The entry fees are as stated on the attached entry form **(Form 1)** and shall be paid at the time of entry by MasterCard, Visa Card or bank transfer only. The cut-off date for pre-entries is **April 30th, 2008**.

**25.2.** Competitors may **enter in advance electronically** through the IWA website at [www.internationalwindsurfing.com](http://www.internationalwindsurfing.com), or by faxing : + 44 2392 468831 or mailing an official entry form **(Form 1)** with their entry fees. The Entry Forms may be downloaded from the Formula Class website (attached to this NOR).

**25.3.** Money transfers shall be in the name of:

The **International Windsurfing Association** and be sent to:

**Account Name:** The International Windsurfing Association

**Euro Account #:** 52977299

**Sort Code:** 20-08-44

**Bank Details:** Barclays Bank Plc, Birmingham, UK.

*[Bank charges to your account]*

**SWIFTBIC:** BARCGB22 [Bank Identifier Code]

**IBAN:** GB93 BARC 2008 4452 9772 99

**Bank Detail:** Barclays Bank Plc, Birmingham, UK

**25.4.** or by Cheque/ Bankers Draft, drawn on a British Bank to:

**International Windsurfing Association**

Mengham Cottage, Mengham Lane

Hayling Island, Hampshire PO11 9JX

United Kingdom

Tel: +44 (0) 2392 468831 Fax: +44 (0) 2392 468831

E-Mail: [iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com](mailto:iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com)

**25.5.** Entry fees paid on site shall be made in cash in Euros only. Late entries may incur a late entry surcharge.

## **26. REGATTA OFFICE/INFORMATION**

**26.1.** The address of the Regatta Office is:

**Overpower Club**

Rua Coelho da Rocha, 20A

1250-088 Lisboa

Phone: +351 213 957 322.

and in S. Torpes Beach, Sines, Portugal, during the event:

Phone: +351 919 583 043.

## **27. OFFICIAL EVENT WEBSITES**

**27.1.** Daily news, pictures and results can be found on the following websites:

[www.overpower.net](http://www.overpower.net),

[www.conquilha.com](http://www.conquilha.com),

[www.internationalwindsurfing.com](http://www.internationalwindsurfing.com),

[www.formulawindsurfing.org](http://www.formulawindsurfing.org),

[www.ifca.internationalwindsurfing.com](http://www.ifca.internationalwindsurfing.com).