



## NOTICE OF RACE

# 2013 FORMULA WINDSURFING EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP & IFCA SLALOM GRAND PRIX

12<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> August 2013

“The city where the wind is born” - Liepāja, Latvia

[www.vindserfings.lv](http://www.vindserfings.lv)

Organised by:

**Windsurfing Club Rietumkrasts**

in co-operation with the

**Yachting Union of Latvia**

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event



## **1 RULES**

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- 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 International Formula Windsurfing Class (IFWC) Championship Rules shall apply for the Formula Windsurfing European Championships (**FWEC**), as amended by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The International Funboard Class (IFCA) Championship Rules shall apply for the IFCA Slalom Grand Prix (**ISGP**), as amended by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## **2 ADVERTISING**

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- 2.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. ISAF Regulation 20 'Advertising Code' shall apply.
- 2.2 Event branding shall be worn at all times when afloat, and as requested by the organizers during media interviews and during the prize giving.

## **3 DIVISIONS**

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- 3.1 **Gender Divisions:** Men and Women.
- 3.2 **Age Divisions:**
  - 3.2.1 A Youth shall be under the age 20 (born in or after 1994 and not later than 2000).
  - 3.2.2 A Master shall be a man over the age of 35 (born 1977 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 30 (born 1982 or earlier).
  - 3.2.3 A Grand Master shall be a man over the age of 45 (born 1967 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 40 (born 1972 or earlier).
- 3.3 **FW Weight Division:** Lightweight is a competitor who weighs less than 75kg in the FW Europeans for Men.
- 3.4 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

## **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

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- 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 and pay online](#) (credit/debit card payment required) or [enter and pay by bank transfer](#) (bt).
- 4.4 The following shall be presented upon registration:
  - Evidence of valid third party insurance
  - Proof of age
  - [Emergency Contact & Health Information Form](#) - *for those under age of 18*

## **5 FEES**

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- 5.1 The required entry fee for the **FWEC** is: 190 euro; except youth is 160 euro.
- 5.2 The required entry fee for the **ISGP** is: 60 euro.

- 5.3 The required entry fee for **FWEC + ISGP** is: 220 euro, or youth 190 euro.
- 5.4 A 30 euro discount will be deducted for entries received by **14<sup>th</sup> July 2013**.
- 5.5 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash (euro).
- 5.6 Late entries received at registration will be surcharged 20 euro.

## **6 RACE FORMAT**

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- 6.1 The **FWEC** shall be a single discipline, *course racing*, “open entry” event.
- 6.2 The **ISGP** shall be a single discipline, *slalom racing*, “open entry” event.
- 6.3 Men and women may race separately.
- 6.4 Competitors in the **FWEC** shall race a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series. Three races are required to validate the Championship.
- 6.5 Competitors in the **ISGP** shall race a maximum of 4 “eliminations” per day. One elimination completed up to and including the final is required to validate the GP.

## **7 SCHEDULE**

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| 7.1 | Monday 12 August  | 1000-1700 | Registration                  |
|     |   | 1900      | Opening Ceremony              |
|     | Tuesday 13 August   | 1000      | Skippers Meeting              |
|     |   | 1100      | Racing                        |
|     | Wednesday 14 August   |           |                               |
|     | to Saturday 17 August   | 1000      | Racing                        |
|     | Saturday 17 August  | 1800      | Last possible warning signal  |
|     |   | 2000      | Prize giving ceremony & party |
|     | Sunday 18 August  |           | Departure                     |
| 7.2 | The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 1000hrs, except on Tuesday when the first possible warning signal will be made at 1100hrs. |           |                               |
| 7.3 | There will be a daily skippers meeting on racing days one hour before the first possible warning signal.  |           |                               |

## **8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

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- 8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form ([FW Form](#) / [IFCA form](#)), which will also be available at registration, shall be returned to the Event Equipment Inspector before the end of registration.
- 8.2 Equipment inspections may be made at any time during the event.
- 8.3 Sail Numbers. WCR Appendix G applies; alternatively national letters and sail numbers, in a colour contrasting with the body of the sail, may be placed on both sides of the sail, with those on the starboard side uppermost.
- 8.4 Unless otherwise directed by the organising authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

## **9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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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**

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Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

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**11 PROTEST COMMITTEE**

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A Protest Committee will be appointed in accordance with WCR 91(a).

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**12 SCORING**

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Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A except as amended by the relevant class championship rules.

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**13 COACHES & SUPPORT BOATS**

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Coaches and support boats shall be registered with the organiser. Support boat drivers shall have a valid boat licence and third party liability insurance.

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**14 SAFETY**

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Support boat crewmember, and, if conditions require it, competitors, shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50).

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**15 PRIZES**

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- 15.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division.
- 15.2 The first man and woman in the **FWEC** will be declared - “**2013 Formula Windsurfing European Champion**”.
- 15.3 There shall be a prize fund of 10,000 euro (net of taxes) for the **FWEC**, which shall be distributed according to IFWC Rules.
- 15.4 There shall be a prize fund of 5,000 euro (net of taxes) for the **ISGP** which shall be distributed as published on the event website.
- 15.5 If the **ISGP** fails to register a valid event the prize fund shall be added to the **FWEC** prize fund.

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**16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES**

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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.**

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**17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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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.

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**18 INSURANCE**

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Each participating competitor/support boat driver 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**

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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**

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- 20.1 Registration will be in the race office at the beach.
- 20.2 For further information please contact: Janis Jekabsons
- Tel: +371 29490993      Email: [info@rietumkrasts.lv](mailto:info@rietumkrasts.lv)

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET**

The following information is not part of the rules for the Event.

#### **A ACCOMMODATION**

There is a variety of holiday-rental accommodation,

Hotels:

##### **LĪVA**

Liela str. 11, Liepaja, LV 3400

ph. +371 634 20102, e-mail [info@liva.lv](mailto:info@liva.lv) , [www.liva.lv](http://www.liva.lv)

##### **FONTAINE ROYAL**

Sturmanu str. 1, Liepaja, LV 3401

ph. +371 634 89777, e-mail [royal@fontaine.lv](mailto:royal@fontaine.lv), [www.fontaineroyal.lv](http://www.fontaineroyal.lv)

##### **HOTEL VILHELMĪNE**

Kr. Valdemara str. 9, Liepaja, LV-3401

ph. +371 6 3483279; +371 26879278, e-mail [info@hotelvilhelmine.lv](mailto:info@hotelvilhelmine.lv)  
[www.hotelvilhelmine.lv](http://www.hotelvilhelmine.lv)

More information about hotels <http://www.liepajaturisms.lv/naktsmtnes-en/viesncas2-en.html?Itemid=434>

The organiser will endeavour to provide assistance for accommodation and gear storage.

#### **B AIR TRAVEL/TRANSPORTATION/TRANSFERS**

The nearest airport Riga (200 km) and Palanga (70 km)

The organizer will endeavour to arrange transfer Riga airport – Liepaja EUR 60,-

It would assist the organiser if the competitors, requiring this service, could advise their flight details as early as possible prior to the first day of the event.

**For enquiries re travel, transportation or accommodation assistance, contact:**  
**Janis Jekabsons    mobile : +371 29490993    email: info@rietumkrasts.lv**

### **C    PREVAILING CONDITIONS**

Wind: 7 to 25 knots; sideshore and onshore.

Air temperature: +15 -25<sup>0</sup>C.    Water temperature: 15-17<sup>0</sup>C.

### **D    VENUE**

Liepaja beach at the monument to the sailors and fishermen

