

# NOTICE OF RACE

# 2012 FORMULA WINDSURFING

# WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2012

TO BE HELD AT

Liepaja, Latvia

www.formulaworlds2012.lv

Organised by:

## Windsurfing Club Rietumkrasts

in co-operation with the

Yachting Union of Latvia

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event



#### 1 RULES

- 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.
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

#### 2 ADVERTISING

- 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

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 1993 and not later than 1999).
- 3.2.2 A Master shall be a man over the age of 35 (born 1976 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 30 (born 1981 or earlier).
- 3.2.3 A Grand Master shall be a man over the age of 45 (born 1966 or earlier) or a woman over the age of 40 (born 1971 or earlier).
- 3.3 **Weight Division**: Lightweight is a competitor who weighs less than 75kg in the FW Worlds for Men.
- 3.4 A minimum of 5 competitors is required to constitute a division.

#### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 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 online at: http://www.internationalwindsurfing.com/windsurfing\_competion\_0028v01.htm
- 4.4 The following shall be presented upon registration:
  - <u>Original Entry Form</u> pre-entries will be given their completed form 1 to check and sign at registration
  - Evidence of valid third party insurance
  - Proof of age
  - <u>Parental/legal Guardian Assent</u> for those under age of 18
  - <u>Medical Treatment Permission</u> for those under age of 18 or on their parents medical insurance policy

#### 5 FEES

- 5.1 The required entry fee: is 190 euro; except Youth entry fee is 160 euro.
- 5.2 A 30 euro discount will be deducted for entries received by **23<sup>rd</sup> July 2012**.

- 5.3 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash (euro).
- 5.4 Late entries received at registration will be surcharged 20 euro.

#### 6 RACE FORMAT

- 6.1 The Championship shall be a single discipline, *course racing*, "open entry" event.
- 6.2 Men and women may race separately.
- 6.3 Competitors shall race a maximum 4 races per day, in a maximum 15 race series.
- 6.4 Three races are required to validate the Championship.

### 7 SCHEDULE

7.1	Monday 20 August	1000-1800	Registration
	Tuesday 21 August	1000	Skippers Meeting
		1100	Racing
	Wednesday 22 August	1100	Racing
	to Friday 24 August	1100	Racing
	Saturday 25 August	1100	Racing
		1800	Last possible warning signal
		2000	Prize giving, dinner & party
	Sunday 26 August		Departure

7.2 The first possible warning signal will be made each day at 1100hrs.

7.3 There may be a daily skippers meeting on racing days at 10.00hrs.

#### 8 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 8.1 An Equipment Inspection Form, which will 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

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

Courses will be as described in the sailing instructions.

#### 11 PROTEST COMMITTEE

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

#### 12 SCORING

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A, and using the Low Points Scoring System, except discards which shall be according to IFWC Rules.

#### 13 COACHES & SUPPORT BOATS

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

#### 14 SAFETY

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).

#### 15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes may be awarded to the first three competitors of each properly constituted division.
- 15.2 The first man and woman will be declared "2012 Formula Windsurfing World Champion".
- **15.3** There shall be a prize fund of 30,000 euro (net of taxes) which shall be distributed according to IFWC Rules.

#### 16 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

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.** 

#### 17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

#### 18 INSURANCE

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

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

- 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

#### 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 <u>info@liva.lv</u>, www.liva.lv

#### FONTAINE ROYAL

Sturmanu str. 1, Liepaja, LV 3401 ph. +371 634 89777, e-mail <u>royal@fontaine.lv</u>, <u>www.fontaineroyal.lv</u>

#### HOTEL VILHELMĪNE

Kr. Valdemara str. 9, Liepaja, LV-3401 ph. +371 6 3483279; +371 26879278,e-mail <u>info@hotelvilhelmine.lv</u> www.hotelvilhelmine.lv

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

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 50,-

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:  $+15 - 25^{\circ}$ C. Water temperature:  $15 - 17^{\circ}$ C.

#### D VENUE

Liepaja beach at the monument to the sailors and fishermen

