

## **PHANTOM 295 CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

### **1. GENERAL**

Class World Championships shall be held within 200km of an international airport, and easily accessible by motor vehicle

### **2. RULES**

The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) – Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR) shall apply, as amended by the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

### **3. CLASS REPRESENTATIVE**

A Class Representative (CR) will be appointed for every international championship. The CR shall be consulted on all matters pertaining to these Championship Rules and approve changes to the Sailing Instructions.

### **4. DIVISIONS**

#### **4.1. General**

4.1.2. All Phantom 295 races shall be One-Fleet events, unless the organizing committee decide to divide the fleet into two groups, if exceeding 80 entries.

#### **4.2. Titles: Overall Scoring**

4.2.1. Only the overall winner shall be awarded World/Continental/National-Class Champion.

#### **4.3. Titles: Scoring of Divisions**

4.3.1 The organizing authority may specify the use of age/gender divisions. The winner of each Division may be awarded a division title.

(a) Youth: Man or woman under 21 years of age on 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of competition;

(b) Senior: Man or woman above 21 years of age on 1<sup>st</sup> January in the year of competition.

4.3.2 The competitors in each division of the One Fleet shall be scored according to their position in the overall placing. It means that a competitor finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in his/her division but 15<sup>th</sup> overall shall be scored as 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **5. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RACES; TIME LIMITS; TARGET TIMES; REST PERIODS**

#### **5.1. General**

5.1.1. The maximum of races that can be scheduled in a series is 15.

5.1.2. A minimum of 3 races shall be completed by a fleet/division to validate a championship or event for that fleet/division.

#### **5.2. Time limit & target times**

5.2.1. The target time for the first finisher in a course race is 20 minutes.

5.2.2. The time limit for the first board in each race to reach the first mark is 10 minutes; and to finish a race is 40 minutes.

A race shall be abandoned if either of these time limits is exceeded.

5.2.3. Racers finishing more than 20 minutes after the first finisher in their respective division shall be scored DNF except those who are scored DSQ, BFD, OCS, RAF, RDG, or DNE.

5.3. Number of races in a day

5.4. No more than four races per day shall be scheduled or raced.

5.5. Rest periods

5.5.1. When racing back to back the minimum interval between the closing of the finishing line and the new warning signal for that fleet/division shall be 10 minutes.

5.5.2. No more than 3 races shall be sailed back to back, which may be reduced to 2 in marginal planing conditions.

5.5.3. After a series of back to back races there shall be a rest period of a minimum of 60 minutes ashore for the last finisher in the last race.

## 6. DECISIONS TO RACE

6.1. The race shall start at the scheduled time if the wind conditions are within the set criteria.

6.2. A course race should not be started in less than 5 knots of wind established in the starting area. This lower limit may actually be higher if there is strong current in the racing area.

6.3. A course race should not be started in more than 28 knots of wind established in the starting area.

6.4. A marathon race should not be started in less than 9 knots of wind measured over the majority of the race area, and should be a minimum of 9 knots throughout the duration of the race.

## 7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

7.1. The Official Equipment inspector shall mark the equipment a competitor intends to use during the regatta before the start of the first race.

7.2. The equipment inspectors may conduct checks & inspections of equipment, at any time during the regatta.

## 8. COURSES & COURSE AREAS

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

8.2. The course area in a course race is defined as an area extending 75 meters beyond the course including the 'starting line' and the 'finishing line' and its extensions, which would normally be taken by a racer when racing.

8.3. Access to the course area during a race is restricted to competitors racing and official boats - as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. SAFETY SYSTEMS

9.1. The Safety System may be as specified in the championship Sailing Instructions, and could be either "Sign In /Sign Out" system or "Tally" system.