

Notice of Race and Sailing instructions

2026 IFCA JUNIOR, YOUTH & MASTERS FIN & FOIL SLALOM EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

19th – 24th May, MURCIA SPAIN

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https://www.ifcaclass.com/events/2026-events/2026-jym-fin-foil-europeans/

Organised by:

Federación de Vela Región de Murcia

in co-operation with

International Funboard Class Association

An International Windsurfing Association sanctioned event

1 RULES

1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Windsurfing Slalom Racing Rules (WSRR) and the IFCA Championship Rules.

1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.3 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.4 In all rules governing this regatta:

a. [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing, or a discretionary penalty applied by the International Jury with a hearing. This changes WSRR 63 and A5.

b. [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a board. This changes RRS 60.1.

1.5 Supplemental Sailing Instructions (SSI) will be published at least one hour before the first possible warning signal. The SSI may change or supplement rules in these NoR/SI

1.6 In case of a discrepancy within the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions and the Supplemental Sailing instructions, the Supplemental Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2 DIVISIONS

2.1 The championships are open for the IFCA Fin and the Foil division

2.2 **Age Divisions**

a. A Youth shall be under the age of 21 (born in or after 2006).

b. A Junior shall be under the age of 17 (born in or after 2010).

c. A Junior Under 15 (born in or after 2012).

d. A Junior Under 13 (born in or after 2014).

2.3 A minimum of 3 competitors is required to constitute a prize division.

2.4 **FIN and FOIL Title Divisions [official European titles]**

a. Youth Men
b. Youth Women
c. Junior U17 Men
d. Junior U17 Women
e. Masters Men

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Competitors shall be members of a National Class Association which is a paid up member of the international class association, or of the IWA.

3.2 Eligible competitors may enter online - credit/debit card or bank transfer payment required. Online entry will close on **May 12th.**

3.3 An entry is not valid until the entry fee is paid.

3.4 The maximum number of entries for each division is 80.

3.5 Entries will be accepted in the order that a valid entry (with payment) is received. When the maximum number of valid entries is received, further entries will not be accepted.

3.6 The following shall be presented upon registration:

- Evidence of valid third party insurance
- Proof of age
- **Parental Permission Form** – *for those under the age of 18*
- **For Italian competitors only**: All Italian competitors shall have a valid card of the Italian Sailing Federation which includes a valid medical certificate and the AICW membership card

4 FEES

4.1 The entry fee is: 230 euro, except Youth (U21) and Junior (u17) – 200 euro

4.2 A discount of 30 euro applies for entries received before **April 12th.**

4.3 Late entries accepted at registration will be surcharged 20 euro.

4.4 Entry fees paid at registration shall be paid in cash (euro).

4.5 Entry fees paid by bank transfer to:
Account Name: The International Windsurfing Association
IBAN: BE16 9671 7092 4874
SWIFTBIC: TRWIBEB1XXX
Please include "IFCAJYMEC" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment to:
iwaoffice@internationalwindsurfing.com

5 RACE FORMAT

5.1 The Championships shall be:

a. FOIL, slalom racing, "open entry" event in wind conditions less than 15 knots (this changes Championship Rule 9).
b. FIN , slalom racing, "open entry" event in wind conditions more than 11 knots.

In wind conditions from 11 knots to 15 knots there will be Foil **OR** Fin, slalom racing, at the discretion of the principal race officer.
This changes Championship Rule 9

5.2 Men and women may race together.

5.3 Junior and Youth may race together

5.4 There will be a maximum of 4 eliminations per day except for the divisions that sail in single fleets for whom 8 races per day is the maximum.

5.5 One completed elimination, including both A and B finals, is required to validate the event in each division.

6 SCHEDULE

Tuesday May 19th	15:00-17:00 18:00	Registration Opening Ceremony
Wednesday May 20nd-May 23rd	10:00	First possible warning signal
Sunday May 24th	10:00 16:00 18:00	First possible warning signal Last possible warning signal of a heat Awards Ceremony

6.1 There will be a daily **skipper meeting** 1 hour before the first possible warning signal of that day.

6.1 The starting schedule will be posted on the Official Notice board at least 15 minutes before the first warning signal of the elimination involved.

6.2 The schedule is subject to alteration.

6.3 At the discretion of the Race Committee, races may be rescheduled.

6.4 To alert boats that an elimination or sequence of eliminations will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made on the Race Committee Signal Boat on the windward end of the starting line.

6.5 The numbering of the eliminations will be in order of sailing, except if an elimination is abandoned after it has been sailed.

7 EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION [SP] [DP]

7.1 [SP] An **Online Equipment Registration Form** **shall be completed** by each competitor and submitted before the end of registration on **May 19th 17 :00**

7.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made in writing at the first reasonable opportunity. Forms for replacement are available at the Race Office.

7.3 A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a board can be instructed by the Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

7.4 [SP] National letters and numbers: Penalties for breaches of WSRR appendix G may be less than disqualification. Penalty for a breach of this SI will be 1 point for every race.

8 NOTICE TO THE COMPETITORS

8.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) in front of the Raceoffice.

8.2 The seeding will be published at least 15 minutes before the starting time of the race or races concerned.

8.3 The seeding and scoring will be published in the IFCA scoring program. A QR code will be posted on the Official Noticeboard.

8.4 Complementary information will be published on an event Whatsapp group. This information is informal and no ground for a redress. A QR code for this Whatsapp group will be published on the Official Noticeboard.

9 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 Any change to the SI or SSI will be posted at least 15 minutes before the starting time of the race or races concerned.

9.2 Changes affecting the schedule of the next day's racing shall be posted:

a. within the protest time limit or

b. before AP over A is displayed whichever is later.

9.3 If oral instructions or changes to the sailing instructions will be given on the water, the flag ICF "L" shall be shown at least 5 minutes before the instructions or changes. Sufficient effort has to be made to inform all the competitors involved.

10 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

10.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Official Flag Poles located on the beach near the launching area.

10.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute is replaced with "not less than 15 minutes". This changes WSRR Race Signals.

10.3 [NP] [SP] When flag D is displayed ashore with one sound signal, competitors shall not leave the shore.

10.4 When flag **FOIL** is displayed the next start will be in the foil division



10.5 When flag **FIN** is displayed the next start will be in the fin division



11 CLASS FLAGS

11.1 The class flags will be prescribed in the SSI

12 RACING AREA AND COURSES [NP] [SP]

12.1 The racing area will be as illustrated in Appendix – A and defined as follows:

- At least 75 meters from any board racing (except a board in distress requiring assistance) or to a mark, finish line or lay line.
- From the attention signal until the starting signal at least 300 metres from the pre-side of the starting line.

12.2 Courses will be as prescribed in the IFCA Slalom Championship Rules or variations of it. The course diagram (not to scale) will be posted on the ONB at least 15 minutes before the start of the heats to which it applies.

12.3 [SP] Boards whose warning signal has not been given and support vessels shall avoid the racing area.

12.4 [SP] The restricted areas, if any, will be prescribed in the SSI

13 MARKS

13.1 The marks will be prescribed in the SSI

14 START

14.1 The starting line will be between the flagpole with the orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the starting mark.

14.2 Start on water; according to WSRR 26.1

14.3 Start from beach; according to WSRR 26.2

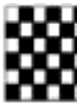
14.4 The starting signals will be shown from the Race Committee Signal Boat on the windward end of the starting line, seen in the direction of the first mark or from a flagpole on the starting line in case of a beach start.

15 RECALLS [NP]

15.1 Recalls will be signalled in accordance with WSRR 29.1

16 FINISH [SP] [NP]

16.1 The finishing line will be between the finishing mark and a pole with a checkered flag.



16.2 [SP] All boards that have finished shall keep clear of competitors still racing and shall leave and clear the racing area as soon as reasonably possible.

16.3 When flag H is displayed on the finish line boards shall go ashore for more information after finishing.

17 TIME LIMITS

17.1 Boards failing to start within 1 minute after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes WSRR 63.1, A4 and A5.

17.2 Boards failing to finish within 3 minutes after the first board in their heat has sailed the course and finished will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes WSRR 63.1, A4 and A5.

18 JURY AND PROTESTS

18.1 An International Jury shall be appointed in accordance with ESCR Appendix N. There shall be no appeal against their decisions.

18.2 Protests and requests for redress shall be made orally to a member of the jury as soon as reasonably possible after the competitor finished the race.

18.3 The protestor shall make every reasonable effort to bring the protestee and the witnesses if any, to the jury.

18.4 The location of the jury will be as prescribed in the SSI and will be signaled by a white flag with "JURY".



18.5 Special attention will be for WSRR 61.1: "The protesting board shall inform the other board at the first reasonable opportunity. She shall also inform the race committee on the finishing line of her intention to protest as soon as practicable after she finishes or retires and shall inform the protestee."

19 SCORING

19.1 WSRR Appendix A applies.

19.2 WSRR A.4.1 is changed in:

A.4.1 Each board, except board given redress, shall be scored points as follows:

Finishing place	*Points*
First	0,7
Second	2
Third	3
Fourth	4
Fifth	5
Each place thereafter	Add 1 point

20 SAFETY REGULATIONS [SP] [NP]

20.1 The safety of the sailboard and its entire management including insurance shall be the sole responsibility of the competitor racing the sailboard who must ensure that the sailboard is adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the course of the race. Neither the establishment of these sailing instructions nor the inspection of the board under these conditions in any way limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the competitor for his/her board and entire management thereof. The Race Organizers, the Race Committee and the International Jury will not be responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury however caused to the competitors as a result of their taking part in the race or races.

20.2 [SP] Flotation devices: When flag "Y" is displayed, every competitor shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50).

20.3 [SP] If either one of the signals "N over H", "N over A", "AP over H" or "AP over A" is made on one or more RC vessels, boards shall return to the competitors' area on the beach as soon as reasonably possible.

20.4 [SP] Competitors shall go afloat and ashore in the competitors' area on the beach in front of the Race office.

20.5 [SP] For men and women helmets are mandatory in the Foil division (see Class rule C.3.2)

20.6 [SP] For youth and junior helmets are mandatory in the Foil and Fin division (see Class rule C.3.2)

20.7 All participants are advised to wear an impact vest.

21 EVENT ADVERTISING [SP] [NP]

21.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. World Sailing Regulation 20 - 'Advertising Code' shall apply.

21.2 [SP] Competitors are required to wear the advertising lycra, as provided by the organizer at the registration, while racing, training and on the race site. In case of loss or damage of the original lycra vest a new lycra vest can be collected at the race office. A refundable deposit of 20 euros shall be paid and returned if the spare Lycra vest is returned undamaged at the end of the event.

21.3 [SP] The lycra vest shall be worn outside other clothing when going afloat for training or racing.

21.4 [SP] Organizers sail stickers are mandatory on all sails while racing. The sticker shall not be cut or adopted in any way.

21.5 [SP] The IFCA class stickers are mandatory on all sails at all times during the event.

22 SHORE REGULATIONS [DP] [NP] [SP]

22.1 [DP] The instructions of the RC or the Beach master shall be strictly obeyed.

23 TRASH DISPOSAL [DP] [NP]

23.1 While afloat, trash may be placed aboard support - and race committee boats.

24 COACHES & SUPPORT BOATS

24.1 Coaches and support boats shall be registered at the Race Office.

24.2 Support boat drivers shall have a valid boat license and third party liability insurance.

24.3 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside the racing area

24.4 Coach boat/rib rental contact: david@rentingribs.com

24.5 Support boats shall be marked as follows:

- the three-letter NOC code shall be clearly displayed on both sides of the boat in strongly contrasting colors at all times while afloat;
- the minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. The letters will not be provided by the Organizing Authority.

25 PRIZES

25.1 The first competitor in each valid division will be declared European Champion.

25.2 Prizes shall be awarded to the top 3 competitors in each -boy, girl, youth men, youth women and master- division

26 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.**

27 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk, see ESCR 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.

28 INSURANCE

Each participating competitor/support boat driver shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 1,500,000 euro per event or the equivalent.

29 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.

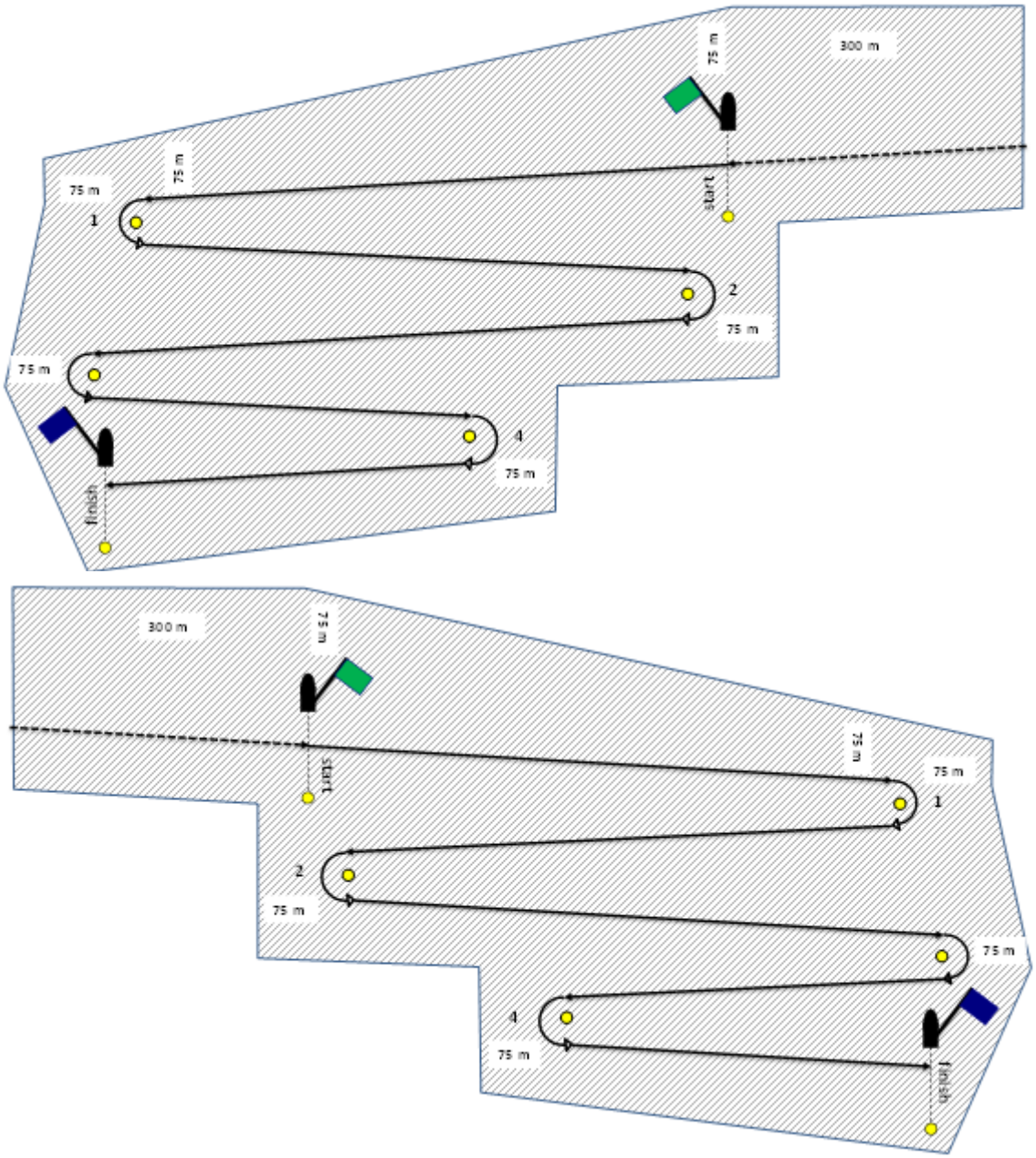
30 FURTHER INFORMATION

30.1 Registration will be in the race office located at the event site:
Avenida Pintor Portela 4
Bajo - 30203 - Cartagena - Murcia
Spain

30.2 For further information contact:
Name : Maria
Email : FVRM@RVRM.es
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APPENDIX –A-

COURSE AREAS



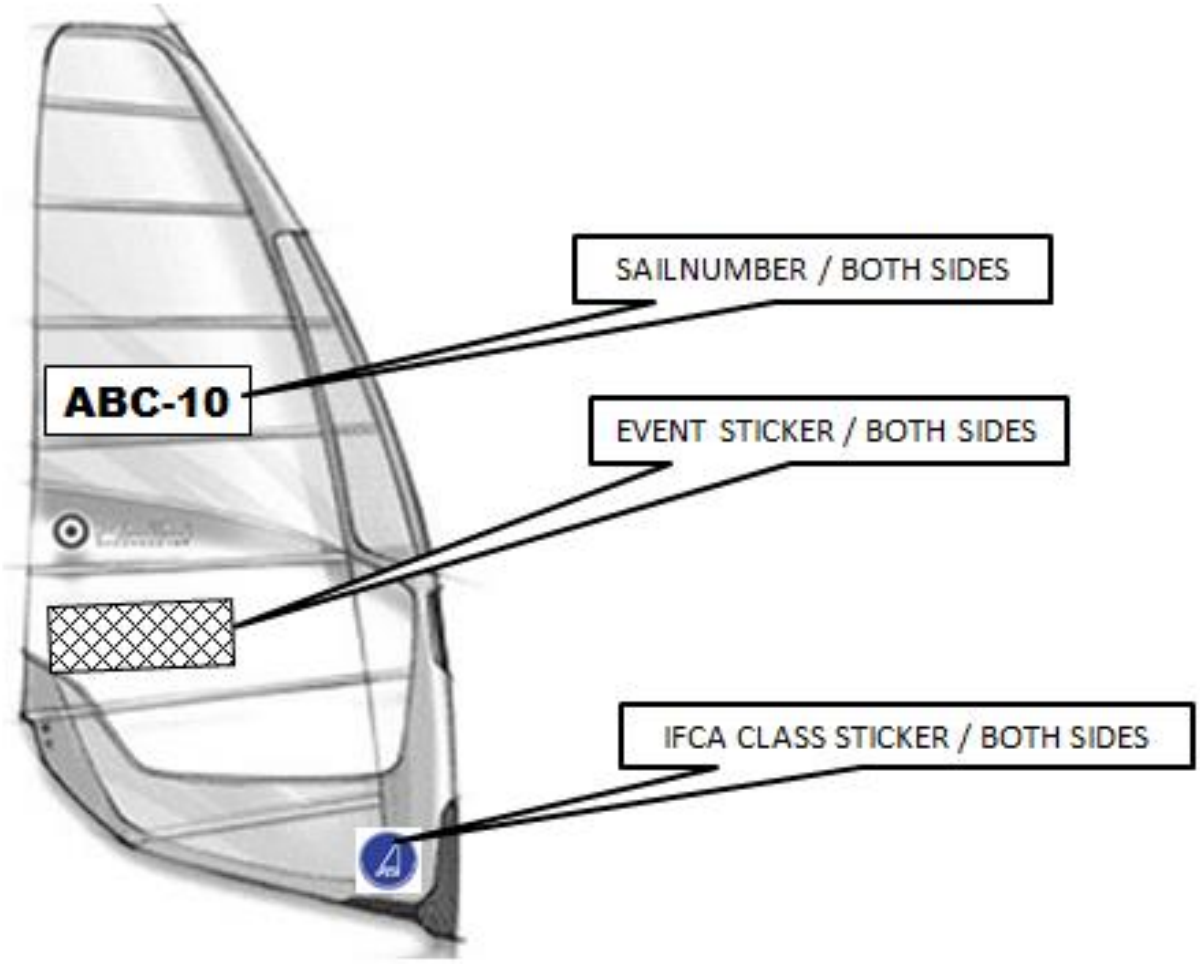
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a. At least 75 meters from any board racing (except a board in distress requiring assistance) or to a mark, finishline, layline or rumbline.

b. From the attention signal until the starting signal at least 300 metres from the preside of the starting line.

APPENDIX –B-

SAIL LAYOUT



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SHEET

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

A VENUE



1 ENTRANCE / RECEPTION
2 BOAT ENTRANCE
3 RACE OFFICE / O.N.B
4 BOAT AREA
5 WATER POINTS
6 RAMP
7 MEASUREMENT
8 LEISURE AREA

TRAILER PARKING
FORBIDEN AREA
EXIT

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B PREVAILING CONDITIONS

Air 18 to 25 Degrees

Wind 15 to 25 Knots

C EQUIPMENT STORAGE

- Equipment storage on the beach in containers provided from the 18th May till 25 May
- Security from 18th till 25th evening

D ACCOMMODATION

DISCOUNT TO BE USED: FUN26

- LINK PARTNER HOTELS

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