

CARIBBEAN FOILING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Organizing Authority:
Club Wind Adventures
08 – 10 December 2023
Orient Bay, St. Martin

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Appendix F – Kiteboard Racing Rules (World Sailing) as modified in the Sailing Instructions shall apply.
- 1.3 Appendix B – Windsurf Racing Rules (World Sailing) as modified in the Sailing Instructions shall apply
- 1.4 Appendix WF – Wingfoil Racing Rules (World Sailing) as modified in the Sailing Instructions shall apply
- 1.5 Appendix T – Arbitration shall apply.
- 1.6 The Sailing Instructions (SI) will specify an amendment of rules to limit the possibility to request redress, limited to injury, damage and serious tangles, and the requirement to include a tack and a gybe when taking a turn penalty.
- 1.7 No national prescriptions apply.
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI's)

The SI's will be posted on the official notice board by 09:00 on December 7th and made available on the event website and social media outlets.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The official notice board (ONB) is located at the event location at Wind Adventures Orient Bay.
- 3.2 Complementary information may be posted on the event website.
- 3.3 Informal communication may be sent through a Whatsapp group.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to equipment (to be supplied by the competitor) in the spirit of a hydrofoiling Kiteboard, hydrofoiling Windsurf board and a hydrofoiling Wingfoil board.
- 4.2 Within the disciplines there will be pro and leisure classes. The pro classes are intended for those with dedicated racing equipment and. The leisure classes are intended for amateur practitioners who would like to try out racing. See table below:

	Leisure	Pro
Windfoil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freeride foil equipment • Little to no racing experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dedicated racing equipment • Racing experience
Kitefoil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freeride foil equipment (LE kite) • Little to no racing experience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dedicated racing equipment (RAM air kite) • Racing experience
Wingfoil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to ride in any direction • jibe both ways 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to tack • Able to pump on the foil without the wing

- 4.3 While the choice of class is up to the competitor, the Organising Authority (OA) reserves the right to make changes to the classes to create the best racing experience for all.
- 4.4 Entry application deadline is 17:00 on 30 April 2023.
- 4.5 There will be a maximum of a total 80 competitors for the Windfoil, Kitefoil and Wingfoil disciplines combined. Places will be hand out on a first come first serve basis.
- 4.6 Entry applications shall be made before the entry deadline through the Caribbean Foiling Championships website at <https://caribbeanfoiling.com/>
- 4.7 Competitors are mandatory to have a licence and medical certificate with the mention "sailing in competition" from the Fédération Française de Voile (FFV)/French Sailing Federation to compete in the Caribbean Foiling Championships.
- 4.8 If the competitor does not possess a FFV license and medical certificate: It will be possible to obtain a FFV license during Registration day (Thursday December 7, 2023). There will be a shuttle to a doctor who will perform a basic health check. The costs of the FFV license including medical exam are:

4 days License	31€
One-year License	60€
Minor License one-year (under 18)	30€

- 4.9 Competitors shall provide the following prior to completing registration formalities on site:
- a) Proof of Entry Fee payment
 - b) FFV License and Medical Certificate
 - c) Parental/legal Guardian Assent - for those under age of 18
 - d) Medical Treatment Permission - for those under age of 18 or on their parent's medical insurance policy
- 4.10 The on-site check-in will take place at Wind Adventures Orient Bay on December 7, 2023 from **09:00-17:00**. A late check-in may be provided before racing on December 8, 2023 from **08:00-09:00**.

5 FEES CANCELLATION

- 5.1 The Entry Fee is: €230 Euros.
- 5.2 After the entry application deadline, at the sole discretion of the OA, late entries may be accepted with an additional penalty payment of US €100.
- 5.3 50% of entry fees may be refundable if accompanied by a medical certificate issued by a medical doctor stating a valid reason why the competitor cannot compete.

6 VENUE

- 6.1 The event will be based at Wind Adventures, Orient Bay on St. Martin.
- 6.2 Weather conditions which can be expected – but are not guaranteed: dominant E to ESE winds of 12 – 25 knots, a water temperature of 23°C and an air temperature of 28°C.
- 6.3 Competitors will be expected to have a sufficient riding level to be able to manoeuvre their hydrofoils to reach the course location. The OA will suggest the best route to use but cannot be held responsible for any damage which might occur on the way to/from the race course or during racing.

7 SCHEDULE

Day and Date	Time	Event
Thursday December 7, 2023	12:00-17:00	On-site check-in at Wind Adventures Orient Bay
	17:00-18:00	Medical Check
	17:00	Welcome Drink
Friday December 08, 2023	08:00-09:00	Late on-site check-in
	09:00	Briefing
	10:00	First warning signal
	12:00-13:00	Lunch
	13:30	Mid warning signal
	No later than 16:30	Last warning signal
Saturday December 09, 2023	09:00	Briefing
	10:00	First warning signal
	12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
	13:00	Mid warning signal
	No later than 16:30	Last warning signal
Sunday December 10, 2023	08:30	Briefing
	09:30	First warning signal – Last warning signal
	Up on Arrival	Sandwich
	14:30	Prize Giving
	17:00	Closing Party

8 ADVERTISING

Competitors may be required to carry advertising for event and class sponsors on their boards and on a Lycra vest, if supplied by the OA.

9 IDENTIFICATION

Competitors will be required to wear customized vests supplied by the OA. The vest will include a personal identification number and shall be worn at all times on the water.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 Courses will be different for each discipline:
 - a) Kitefoil: Windward Leeward course racing.
 - b) Windfoil: Winward Leeward course racing with the possibility of Slalom style racing in case of light wind.
 - c) Wingfoil: Slalom style course racing with reaching starts.
- 10.2 Sample courses will be posted on the event website www.caribbeanfoiling.com. These are for reference only.
- 10.3 The courses to be sailed each day will be described on the ONB and communicated during the daily briefing. Additionally, they may be transmitted by electronic means.

11 SAFETY AND BUOYANCY (DP)(NP)

- 11.1 Personal buoyancy of not less than 50N and a helmet shall be worn at all times on the water.
- 11.2 Fully functional quick release system to be used. Winchard shackles excepted.
- 11.3 **(SP)(NP)** Safety launch and retrieval zone shall be designated.
- 11.4 Area shall be cordoned off from public access.
- 11.5 No further beach area to be used by Competitors.
- 11.6 **(SP)** Competitors shall sign an attendance sheet, located adjacent to the official notice board before going on the water and sign in upon returning ashore each day.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 The event will be divided into two separate series. One for the course races (Days 1 and 2) and one for the around the island race (Day 3).
- 12.2 The two series will be combined for an overall podium result.
- 12.3 For course races there will be one discard after every 5 races completed.

13 PRIZES & PRIZE MONEY

- 13.1 Medals or trophies shall be awarded to the first three competitors.
- 13.2 Prizes for the Caribbean Foiling Championships will be announced no later than December 8, 2023.

14 CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

If required by the OA competitors/boards shall carry cameras, sound, or positioning equipment.

15 TELEVISION AND MEDIA

In registering for the event, competitors automatically grant Caribbean Foiling Championships and the OA 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 reproductions of them, taken during the period of the event, for the said championship as defined in this Notice of Race in which he/she participates without compensation.

16 RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, DECISION TO RACE. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17 INSURANCE

Competitors shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance for the duration of the event.

18 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES

- 18.1 Attendance at the Prize-giving by all competitors is strongly encouraged.
- 18.2 The OA reserves the right to refuse entry to Prize-giving and other ceremonies to those whose standard of attire is not appropriate for the occasion.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

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