



## BALTIC CUP WINDSURFING 2024

1. event: 25.-26. May 2024
2. event: 08.-09. June.2024
3. event: 22.-25. August 2024
- FINAL: 07.-08. September 2024

Plateliai, Lithuania  
Burtnieki, Latvia  
Liepaja, Latvia  
Tallinn, Estonia

## NOTICE OF RACE

**For 3. event: 22.-25.08.2024 Liepaja, Karosta, LATVIA**

**COMPETITION:** „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“ is a traditional international windsurfing competition that takes place annually in a multi-stage race format in Baltic states. Athletes from all three Baltic States - Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania - are widely present and represented. The competition is also open to athletes from other countries and traditionally brings together the strongest Baltic States' windsurfers in different age groups and windsurfing classes. The winners of the competition shall be determined in the sum of all stages and they shall be crowned champions of the respective year of the „Baltic Cup windsurfing“!

### ORGANIZERS



### Classes:

**IQFOIL, FORMULA FOIL, TECHNO 293, RACEBOARD**

### 1. RULES

1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in:
  - 1.1. Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024. [Rules.](#)
  - 1.2. Windsurfing Competition Rules (WCR). [Rules](#)
  - 1.3. The Class Rules of the participating classes shall apply:
    - 1.3.1. IQFOIL Class Rules & Championship Rules [IQfoil rules](#)
    - 1.3.2. Techno 293 Class Rules & Championship Rules [Techno 293 rules.](#)
    - 1.3.3. Raceboard Class Rules & Championship Rules [Raceboard rules.](#)
    - 1.3.4. Formula Foil Class Rules & Championship Rules [Formula Foil rules](#)

1.4. No national prescriptions will apply.

1.5. Notice of the race (NoR) and Sailing instructions (SI)

**1.6. If there is a conflict between the NoR and class rules, Notice of the race takes precedence.**

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

1.8. If there is a conflict between the SI and any other document governing the event the Sailing Instruction shall take precedence.

## **2. ADVERTISING**

2.1 Sailors may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organising authority. World Sailing 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. CLASSES & DIVISIONS**

### **3.A IQFOIL CLASS**

#### **3.A 1. IQFOIL class, Divisions**

##### **3.A 1.1. IQFOIL Adult Divisions:**

3.A 1.1.1. IQFOIL Overall

3.A 1.1.2. IQFOIL Women

3.A 1.1.3. IQFOIL Master shall be a competitor over the age of 40 (born 1983 or earlier)

3.A 1.1.4. IQFOIL Grand Master shall be a competitor over the age of 50 (born 1973 or earlier)

##### **3.A 1.2. Youth Divisions (U19/U17):**

3.A 1.2.1. IQFOIL Boys U19 shall be a competitor under the age 19 (born 2006 or later).

3.A 1.2.2. IQFOIL Girls U19 shall be a competitor under the age 19 (born 2006 or later).

3.A 1.2.3. IQFOIL Boys U17 shall be a competitor under the age 17 (born 2008 or later)

3.A 1.2.4. IQFOIL Girls U17 shall be a competitor under the age 17 (born 2008 or later).

##### **3.A 1.3. Junior Divisions (U15):**

3.A 1.3.1. IQFOIL Overall U15 shall be a competitor under the age 15 (born in 2010 or later).

##### **3.A 2. Division is created if there is minimum of 4 competitors matching divisions requirements.**

### **3.B TECHNO293 CLASS**

#### **3.B 1. Techno293 Divisions:**

3.B.1.1. Techno293/minim-3.5m2 overall (born in 2012 or after, but not later than 2016)

3.B.1.2. Techno293/minim U13 overall (born in 2012 or later)

3.B.1.3. Techno293/junior U15 girls (born in 2010 or later)

3.B.1.4. Techno293/junior U15 boys (born in 2010 or later)

3.B.1.5. Techno293/youth U17 girls (born in 2008 or later)

3.B.1.6. Techno293/youth U17 boys(born in 2008 or later)

3.B.1.7. Techno293/youth Open girls(born in 2007 or earlier)

3.B.1.8. Techno293/youth Open boys(born in 2007 or earlier)

##### **3.B 2. Division is created if there is minimum of 4 competitors matching divisions requirements**

### **3.C RACEBOARD CLASS**

### **3.C 1. Raceboard Divisions:**

3.C 1.1. Raceboard Overall

3.C 1.2. Raceboard Women

3.C 1.3. Raceboard Grand Master shall be a competitor over the age of 50 (born 1973 or earlier)

3.C 1.4. Raceboard Veteran shall be a competitor over the age of 60 (born 1963 or earlier)

**3.C 2. Division is created if there is minimum of 4 competitors matching divisions requirements.**

### **3.D FORMULA FOIL CLASS**

#### **3.D 1. Formula Foil Divisions:**

3.D 1.1. Formula Foil Overall

**3.D 2. Division is created if there is minimum of 4 competitors matching divisions requirements.**

## **4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

4.1. All entries shall meet the requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19 - Eligibility Code.

4.2. Competitors shall be members of their National Class Association.

4.3. The following shall be presented upon registration:

\* Original Entry Form

\* Evidence of valid third party insurance

\* Proof of age

\* Parental Permission Form - *for under the age of 18*

## **5. ENTRY FEES and REGISTRATION**

5.1. The required entry fee **60,- EUR**

5.2. All entry fees shall be paid at event race office first day of competition during registration **in cash**. Entry fees are subject of no return in case of inappropriate weather conditions or any other reason that results in race suspending or cancelation.

## **6. RACE FORMAT**

6.1. Different classes may start together. The decision for that is made by the Principal Race Officer of the competition

6.2. Men and women, boys and girls may race together.

6.3. Depending on the strength of the wind and it's stability, the Principal Race Officer is free to decide and determine the type of distances (slalom, course, marathon) for different classes. In distance determination Notice of the race and/or Sailing instruction takes precedence over class rules, guidelines and racing policies.

6.4. The number of races for the class is determined by the organizer of the competition and the Principal Race Officer of the competition.

6.5. The maximum number of races per board class per day is 6 races in the course distance and 8 races in the slalom distance for all classes except Techno 293 (max. 4 races per day)

6.6. A regatta has taken place if at least 2 (two) races have been completed within the class.

## **7. SCHEDULE**

**Thursday 22nd of August**

16:00-17:00 Registration

18:00 Practice race

### **Friday 23rd of August**

09:30-12:45 Registration

13:00 Opening Ceremony

13:30 the first warning signal for the first race of the racing day

### **Saturday 24th of August**

10:00 Racing

### **Sunday 25th of August**

10:00 Racing

16:00 Last warning signal

Prize Giving Ceremony – as soon as possible

## **8. EQUIPMENT & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

8.1. The judges can check the inventory during the whole competition without prior notice.

8.2. Windsurfing Sail Numbers. WCR Appendix G applies.

8.3. Each participant is responsible for the compliance of his / her inventory with the class rules.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions (SI) will be available 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 and DISCARDS**

12.1. Scoring will be according to the WCR/KRR Appendix A, using the Low Points Scoring System, except discards.

12.2 Discards will be made in following order:

1-3 races: 0 discards

4-6 races: 1 discard

7-10 races: 2 discards

11+ races: 3 discards

Scoring will be according to the WCR Appendix A as amended by Appendix B

**12.3. Classes are scored separately in each race, regatta and series. Final results are calculated separately according to classes and divisions.**

12.4. A Marathon race will be scored as two races. When the Marathon is raced in a single fleet or in the Final series, the score will be the boards finishing position and applied to each of these two races.

12.5. Where there is more than one "Division" racing in a single fleet, competitors are scored separately according to their finishing place in their "Age and Gender Division" in that race and Official Results are published for each "Age and Gender Division".

12.6. All events or stages of „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“ series are equal and scoring in each of them is done under the same system and gives equal proportion of points for joint rating of series. In case of equal points after all 4 stages higher place in series takes athlete with higher place in Final stage of series (Tallin, Estonia).

12.7. Joint rating for all 4 stages and competition for „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“ champion titles and Cups will be done for IQFOIL, Techno293, Raceboard and Formula Foil classes in

divisions that are similar to all 4 stages of series, described in this NoR and can be found in each and every separate competition NoR of series!

12.8. Different stage organizers are free to invite and organize races also in other windsurfing classes or divisions parallel to those mentioned in section 12.7. during their organised event based on their knowledge of local situation, class popularity and organizers decision without claiming for any obligation to include those in other „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2023“ stages or joint rating.

12.9. **The winners of the overall rating for all 4 stages will be crowned the champions of „Baltic Cup windsurfing“ for the particular year.** Final results for all 4 stages and champions titles of series „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“ are calculated separately for each class according to class divisions. The scoring of the Baltic Cup Championships series, the low points scoring system, applies according to RRS Appendix B, where the result of the race is replaced by the final result of the regatta.

12.10. For those athletes not participating at any of stages final result in series are calculated according to system where he/she gets stage result of last finished sailor in particular class and division +1 place.

### **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. These documents must be presented when registering the boat for the competition without request from race secretary.

### **14. SAFETY**

14.1. Support boat crew members, and, competitors, shall wear a personal flotation device that shall conform to the minimum standard of ISO 12402-5 (level 50). All foil classes shall wear impact vest and helmet.

14.2. Competitors under age of 18 years must wear a personal flotation device described in 14.1. all the time.

14.3. Rule 3 of the WCR states: “The responsibility for a board’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

14.4. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their board to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;

14.5. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their board and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

14.6. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

14.7. Their board and other equipment is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

14.8. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the race organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

14.9. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

14.10. The fact that the Race Committee conducts inspections, or not, of a board does not reduce the responsibilities of each competitor set out in this Notice of Race.

### **15. PRIZES**

15.1. The winners of each stage in different classes and divisions will be awarded with title of „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“ stage 1,2,3,or 4 winner. The stage winners as well as second and third place of the class and division in each stage of series will be awarded a diploma and a medal. The winners of each stage in different classes and divisions can be awarded prizes.

15.2. The winners of joint rating for all 4 stages in each class and division will be awarded the title of champion and Cup winner of the „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“. The champions of „Baltic Cup windsurfing 2024“ according to joint rating of the class and division will be awarded a diploma and a Cup. The winners of joint rating for all 4 stages in each class and division can be awarded prizes.

## **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**

17.1. The participant or the participant's legal representatives (in case a minor is applied for participation in the competition) are aware of the risks related to the specific competition and the specifics of water sports. The participant or the participant's legal representatives are responsible for their health, safety, equipment and offense to third parties (in case a minor is applied for participation in the competition).

17.2. The organizer of the competition, judges, or other persons or legal entities related to the course and organization of the competition, including representatives, sponsors, etc. are not responsible for damage to inventory or property, as well as losses or injuries that have occurred on the water or ashore, during the competition or outside the competition process. Participating in this event, supporting it and participating in each race is the sole decision and responsibility of each sailor.

## **18. INSURANCE**

Each participating competitor/support boat driver shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance.

## **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 race venue.

20.2 For further information please contact:

**For race organization and participation questions Principal Race Officer: Mr. Toms Jēkabsons Tel: +371 29876501 Email: [toms.jekabsons@inbox.lv](mailto:toms.jekabsons@inbox.lv)**

**For practical questions and event organization: Mr. Janis Jekabsons Tel: +371 29490993 Email: [arnissenkans@gmail.com](mailto:arnissenkans@gmail.com)**

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

### **ACCOMMODATION:**

**There is a space at venue for tents and caravans!**

A) Hotel Līva, Lielā iela 11, Liepāja, +371 63 420 102, [www.livahotel.lv](http://www.livahotel.lv)

**B)** Hotel Amrita, Rīgas iela 7, Liepāja, LV-3401, +371 63 403 434,

**C)** [airbnb.com](https://www.airbnb.com) or [booking.com](https://www.booking.com)

**Venue:**

Katedrales street 8,18, Liepaja (Karosta).

**PREVAILING CONDITIONS**

Wind: 5 to 20 knots-sideshore/onshore/offshore. Temps: Air: +18 to +22C ; Water: +16 to +20C