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# International Funboard Class

*„Bring the fun back into boarding“*

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## **The International Funboard Class Association (IFCA):**

... is an official International Class of World Sailing.

... is a member of the International Windsurfing Association (IWA).

... has the exclusive right to organize World Championships and Continental Championships.

... has its own youth program which is also an official International Class of World Sailing with official Youth World and Youth Continental Championships.

... has a huge network of National Class Associations (NCAs) on five continents which are recognized by the National sailing federations.

... has numerous national championships, regattas and other events.

... has subcontracted EFPT to manage European Freestyle events.

... has created and further develops:

- Official class rules
- Equipment rules
- Windsurfing Slalom Racing Rules
- Championship rules
- Race management policies
- Dynamic scoring software management

... runs the official World Sailing list for registered series production slalom and speed boards.

... runs the official IFCA Tour Calendar.

... runs the official IFCA World Ranking Lists.

... builds up IFCA Industry Pool (starting 2023).

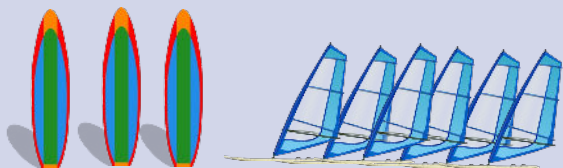


## The IFCA structure for performance windsurfing

### Two separate disciplines:

#### Fin Slalom - for medium and strong wind

- “*the real Funboarding*”
- Blasting over the waves, speed duels, fights at the marks
- min. 11 kts
- Limited equipment
  - max. 3 series production boards
  - max. 6 sails



#### Foil Slalom – for light wind

- “*life insurance for events*”
- Official competitions at minimum wind speeds
- min. 7 kts, max 15 kts
- Limited equipment:
  - 1 series production board
  - 1 sail
  - 1 foil system

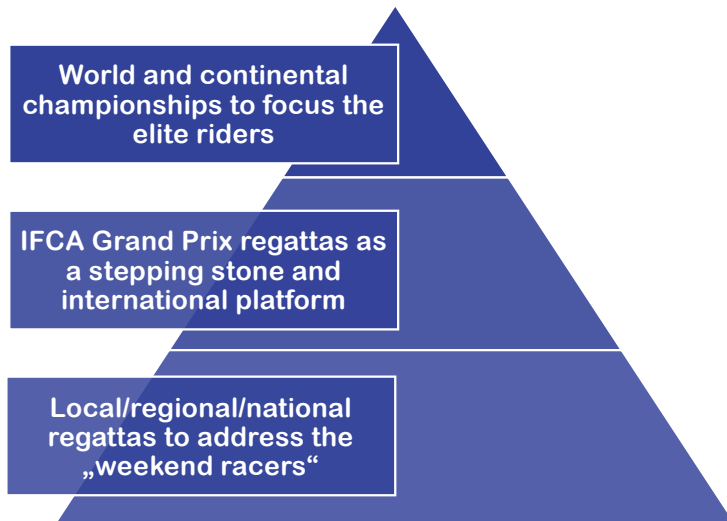


The disciplines have independent and separate results and rankings.  
Regattas may be one discipline only or combined

## One unique platform from grassroots racing to world championships

With its established structure and strong organizer network, IFCA offers a unique vertical integration

### Structure



Events of all levels from all over the world...

### Calendar



... happening all over the year...

### Ranking



... combined is one unique ranking!



## IFCA International Tour Calendar

The IFCA International Tour Calendar combines events of all levels from all over the world happening all over the year. It provides the complete overview over all official IFCA championships and regattas which count for the official IFCA world ranking lists.

- Only included events may count for the official IFCA World Ranking Lists
- serves to co-ordinate dates and venues to avoid overlaps
- Regattas may be set up for :
  - fin slalom, foil slalom or multiple discipline
  - Men, women, youth or combinations
- The calendar includes different levels of events
  - IFCA World & Continental Championships
  - IFCA Grand Prix regattas
  - Regattas of NCAs
- For the NCAs to co-ordinate their national calendars the IFCA calendar should be published as soon as possible
- regattas shall be included a minimum of 4 weeks prior the first event day
- To be included, NCAs and organizer shall contact IFCA

### Ranking System:

- National events
  - 100 points for 1<sup>st</sup> place
- IFCA Grand Prix regattas
  - 5 points bonus per € 1.000,- prize money
- IFCA Championships
  - World Championships: 50 points bonus
  - Continental Championships: 30 points bonus
  - 5 points bonus per € 1.000,- prize money

## IFCA World Ranking Lists

The official IFCA World Ranking Lists offer an overview of the performance level of the riders.

- The lists are hosted on the official IFCA website
- Separate IFCA World Ranking Lists for different disciplines
  - IFCA Fin Slalom World Ranking List
  - IFCA Foil Slalom World Ranking List
  - Separate World Ranking Lists for men, women and youth
- Regattas and Championships are included in the IFCA World Ranking Lists at different levels
  - IFCA Championships
  - IFCA Grand Prix regattas
  - National events
- Competitors may compete in as many regattas as they want.
- Ranking Lists are “rolling”. After 1 year the result of an event is discarded.
- The best 5 results (ranking points) count, additional results are discarded.
- Optional big annual prize giving at the boot show in Düsseldorf in January.
- Official IFCA manufacturers ranking lists (3 best men, best women and best youth / starting 2023)



## Organizers welcome

Organizers are invited to organize official IFCA regattas and championships.

- At low level this may be local/regional/national regattas in co-operation with the NCAs
- At international level this may be IFCA Grand Prix regattas with prize money
- Organizers may also apply to host official IFCA Championships like Worlds, Continentals for men, women, youth, junior and master in Fin Slalom, Foil Slalom, Freestyle and Wave

## IFCA Windsurf Industry Pool

The IFCA Windsurf Industry Pool directly involves the windsurf industry in the further development of the format and equipment rules.

- Partners are included in results and official IFCA World Ranking Lists
- Partners receive promotional branding display options on & offline at events
- Partners are included in the manufacturers ranking lists
  - Boards (Fin Slalom & Foil Slalom)
  - Sails (Fin Slalom & Foil Slalom)
  - Fins (Fin Slalom)
  - Foils (Foil Slalom)
- The budget of the IFCA Windsurf Industry Pool shall be used exclusively to promote the new IFCA Tour and events (media reach)

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