

# **INTERNATIONAL FUNBOARD CLASS ASSOCIATION**

**SLALOM  
CHAMPIONSHIP RULES 2023**



The International Funboard Class Association was adopted as  
a World Sailing international class in 1987

## **1. ORGANISATION**

- 1.1. World, Continental and Regional championships shall only be organised by, or with the approval of, the International Funboard Class Association (IFCA).
- 1.2. "International ('open') events that adopt the IFCA Class Rules and Championship Rules require the approval of IFCA".

## **2. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- 2.1. The minimum number of competitors required in continental championships is:
  - a) Slalom
    - Men: 10 competitors, 4 countries.
    - Youth and Junior: 10 competitors, 3 countries.
    - Women: 5 competitors, 3 countries.
  - b) If the requirements are not met, the title shall not be awarded
- 2.2. Age Divisions
  - a) Youth is a man or woman who is less than 21 years old.
  - b) Junior is a boy or girl who is less than 17 years old.
  - c) Master is a man or women who has reached the age of 40.
  - d) Grand Master is a man or women who has reached the age of 50.
  - e) Veteran is a man or women who has reached the age of 60.
  - f) A sailor must have reached the minimum age in the relevant division by December 31st before the year of competition.
  - g) A sailor must not be older than the maximum age limit in the relevant age division by December 31st in the year of competition.
  - h) A minimum of 5 entries in a division is required to constitute this division.

## **3. FEES**

- 3.1. The National Association fees (subscription) are determined by a scale published annually by the International Windsurfing Association. Payment of these fees is the sole responsibility of the National Association or Authority. Where no National Authority or Association subscribes the Funboard Class Fee, the IFCA Executive may accept entries from that country, direct from individuals, provided the IWA fee of per competitor is paid by the competitor (25 Euro).

## **4. EQUIPMENT**

- 4.1. Equipment registration
  - a) Each competitor shall complete an online Equipment Registration Form (ERF) and submitted it before the close of registration. An additional analog registration system may be used.
  - b) Each competitor shall clearly identify each sail which he/she intends to use during the event (Serial number/event tag) which shall be listed on the ERF.
  - c) Each competitor shall list the serial number of the boards that he/she intends to use during the event on the ERF.
- 4.2. Equipment inspection
  - a) The Equipment Inspectors may check and measure equipment at any time during an event.
  - b) Until the Inspector gives permission, a selected sailor and his/her equipment shall have no contact with a coach or support personnel or leave the inspection area. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.
- 4.3. Event sponsor advertising
  - a) World Sailing Regulation 20 - Advertising Code - shall apply.
  - b) In the event that racers are required to carry advertising in compliance with World Sailing Regulation 20. Each racer shall place the advertising stickers issued by the organizing authority, back to back immediately above the boom and as close to the leach as possible (see appendix 4).

- c) Racers shall not cut or adapt the stickers in any way.
- d) Lycra vests issued by the local organizer shall be worn outside other clothing when going afloat for training or racing.
- e) Only event advertising stickers and/or Lycra vests issued by the local organizer of the regatta in which the racer is currently entered may be worn or appear on the sail.

## **5. DIVISIONS**

There will be 2 separate divisions.

- a) The "Fin division"
- b) The "Foil division"

Events can be Fin only, Foil only or combined Fin and Foil events as published in the Notice of Race

## **6. ELIMINATION PROCEDURES AND SEEDING**

### **6.1. Elimination procedure**

- c) A championship shall be an Elimination series. One elimination consists of one or more rounds. One round consists of one or more heats. The standard elimination ladders are in Appendix 1.
- d) The schedule of the elimination and the classification of the first round shall be posted on the official notice board at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first heat. It shall be the sole responsibility of each competitor to know in which heat he/she will be taking part.

### **6.2. First single elimination series**

Where a ranking table is available, at least places 1-16 in the first round may be distributed as specified in the "Distribution Tables" in Appendix 2. For IFCA Championships the most recent reprehensive rankings will be used. Non-ranked competitors shall be further seeded according to the registered sail number.

### **6.3. Finals**

The B FINAL may be cancelled or run after the A FINAL as time and weather conditions dictate. All the loosing semifinalists, including those recorded as DNS, DNF, DSQ and RET may participate in the B FINAL.

### **6.4. C, D or E FINAL**

In slalom races a C, D or E FINAL can be scheduled. All competitors losing the first or second round(s), including those recorded as DNS, DNF, DSQ and RET may participate in the C, D or E FINAL

### **6.5. Subsequent elimination series**

The distribution in the second and subsequent elimination series shall use the final results of the last sailed elimination series.

## **7. SCORING**

### **7.1. Scoring will be according the Slalom Competition Rules Appendix A**

### **7.2. At combined Fin and Foil events a separate scoring and ranking will be made for each division**

### **7.3. National team results:**

National Team results are calculated by adding the Event results of the best two Men, the best Lady, the best Youth and the best Master, or as amended by the Notice of Race. A full team is required to score for the National Team ranking.

## **8. VALIDITY OF DISCIPLINES**

The minimum number of elimination series to constitute a valid discipline score, counting towards the Event score shall be one Slalom elimination series completed including the A and B Final

## **9. SUITABLE CONDITIONS**

### **9.1. Fin division**

All disciplines will take place in suitable conditions for fair racing. The minimum wind speed is 11 knots.

### **9.2. Foil division**

All disciplines will take place in suitable conditions for fair racing.

### **9.3. Combined Fin and Foil events**

The minimum wind speed for the Fin division is 11 knots

The minimum wind speed for the Foil division is 7 knots and the maximum windspeed is 15 knots.

With wind speeds from 11 knots to 15 knots. The choice of the division is at the discretion of the principal race officer who takes into account the other circumstances such as the expected wind speed during the elimination, the number of eliminations already sailed in the different divisions etc.

### **9.4. The IFCA Class Representative shall be the final arbiter as to when conditions are suitable to race. The Race Officer shall consult with the IFCA Class Representative before abandoning competition or amending the schedule**

### **9.5. Protests regarding wind strength and suitability of wind direction or wave conditions shall be disallowed.**

## **10. PRIZES & TITLES**

### **10.1. Trophies and money prizes**

Trophies shall be awarded to the first three competitors in each Division. National Team prizes may be awarded to the best three National Teams. Money Prizes may also be awarded.

### **10.2. Tittles**

World and Continental Titles shall be awarded as specified in the Championships Notice of Race

### **10.3. Prize money split**

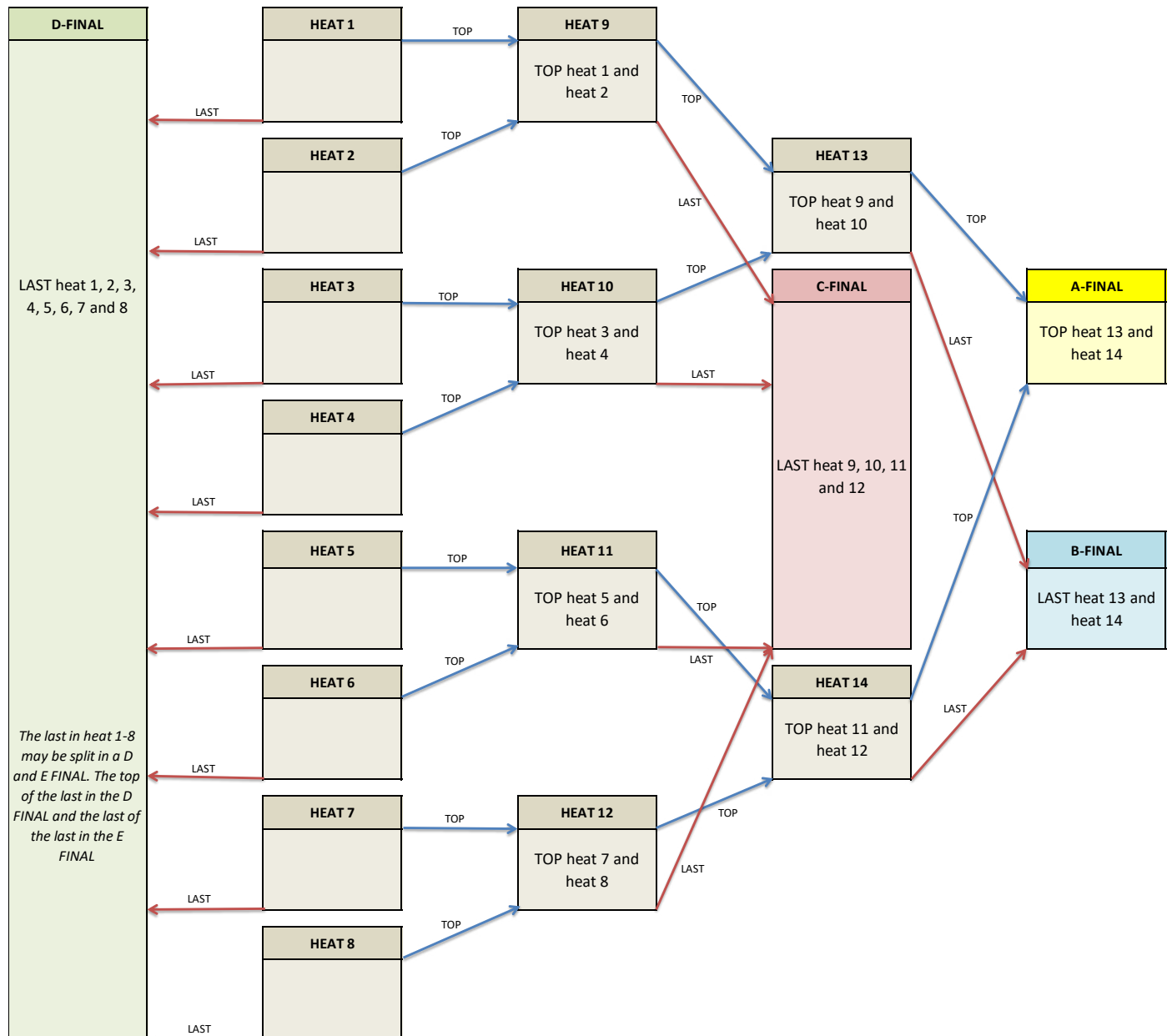
Prize money will be split as prescribed Appendix 5.

## APPENDIX -1- elimination ladders

### SLALOM LADDER –A-

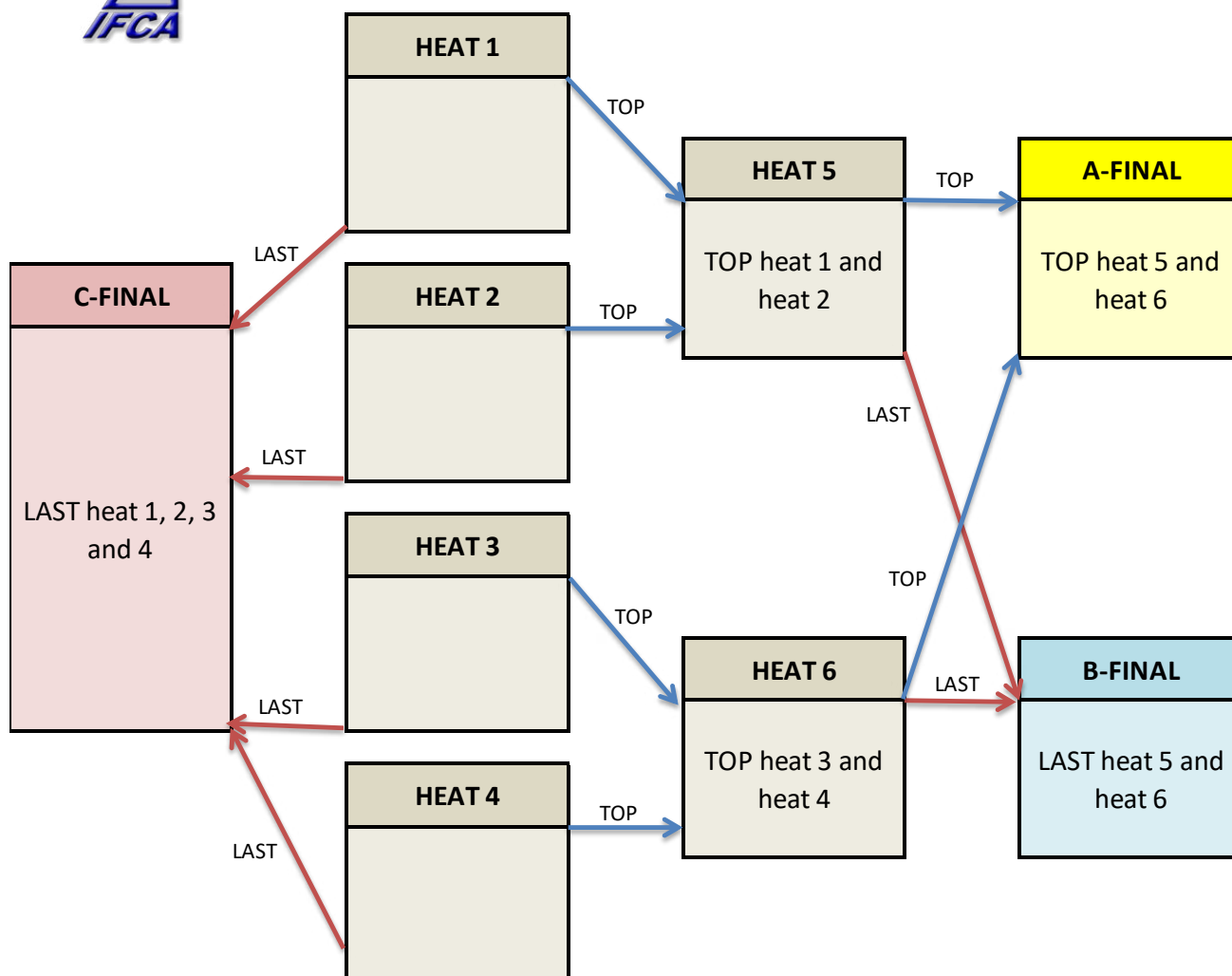


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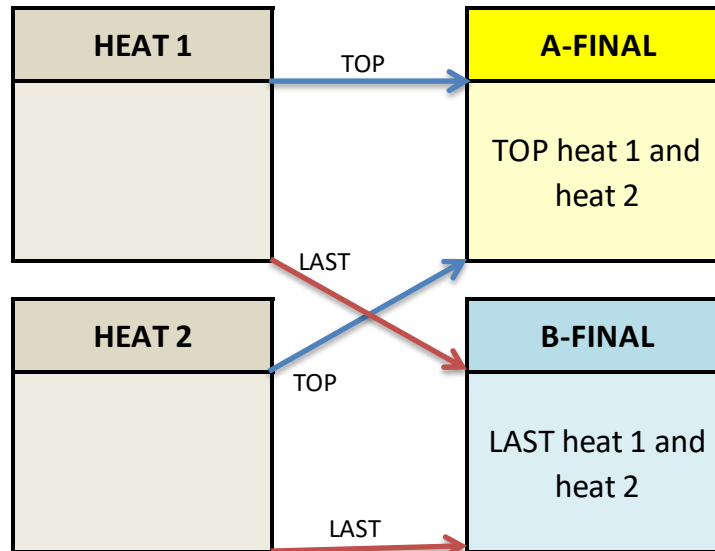


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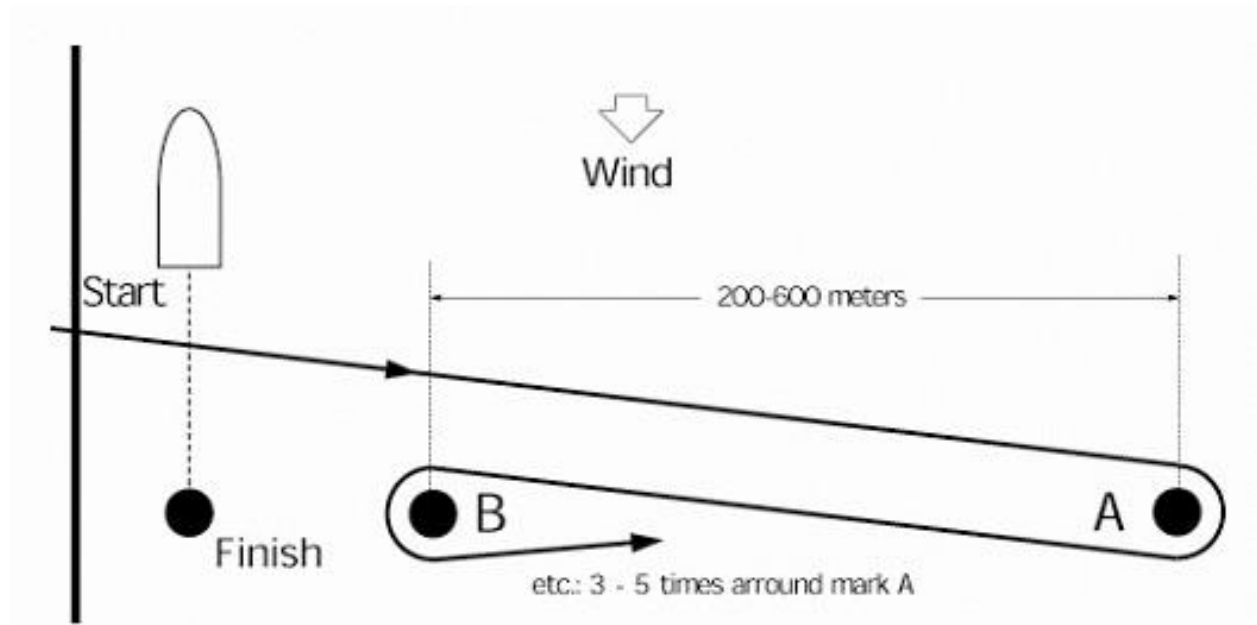
## APPENDIX -2- Distribution Tables

Slalom Distribution Table											
Maximum 80 Competitors					Maximum 40 Competitors				Maximum 20 Competitors		
Heat No	Competitor No			Heat No	Competitor No			Heat No	Competitor No		
1	6	38	70	1	3	19	35	1	2 10 18 3 11 19 6 14 7 15		
	11	43	75		6	22	38				
	22	54			11	27					
	27	59			14	30					
2	3	35	67	2	2	18	34	2	1 9 17 4 12 20 5 13 8 16		
	14	46	78		7	23	39				
	19	51			10	26					
	30	62			15	31					
3	7	39	71	3	4	20	36	2	1 9 17 4 12 20 5 13 8 16		
	10	42	74		5	21	37				
	23	55			12	28					
	26	58			13	29					
4	2	34	66	4	1	17	33	2	1 9 17 4 12 20 5 13 8 16		
	15	47	79		8	24	40				
	18	50			9	25					
	31	63			16	32					
5	5	37	69	3	4	20	36	2	1 9 17 4 12 20 5 13 8 16		
	12	44	76		5	21	37				
	21	53			12	28					
	28	60			13	29					
6	4	36	68	3	12	28		2	1 9 17 4 12 20 5 13 8 16		
	13	45	77		13	29					
	20	52									
	29	61									
7	8	40	72	4	1	17	33	2	1 9 17 4 12 20 5 13 8 16		
	9	41	73		8	24	40				
	24	56			9	25					
	25	57			16	32					
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	16	48	80								
	17	49									
	32	64									



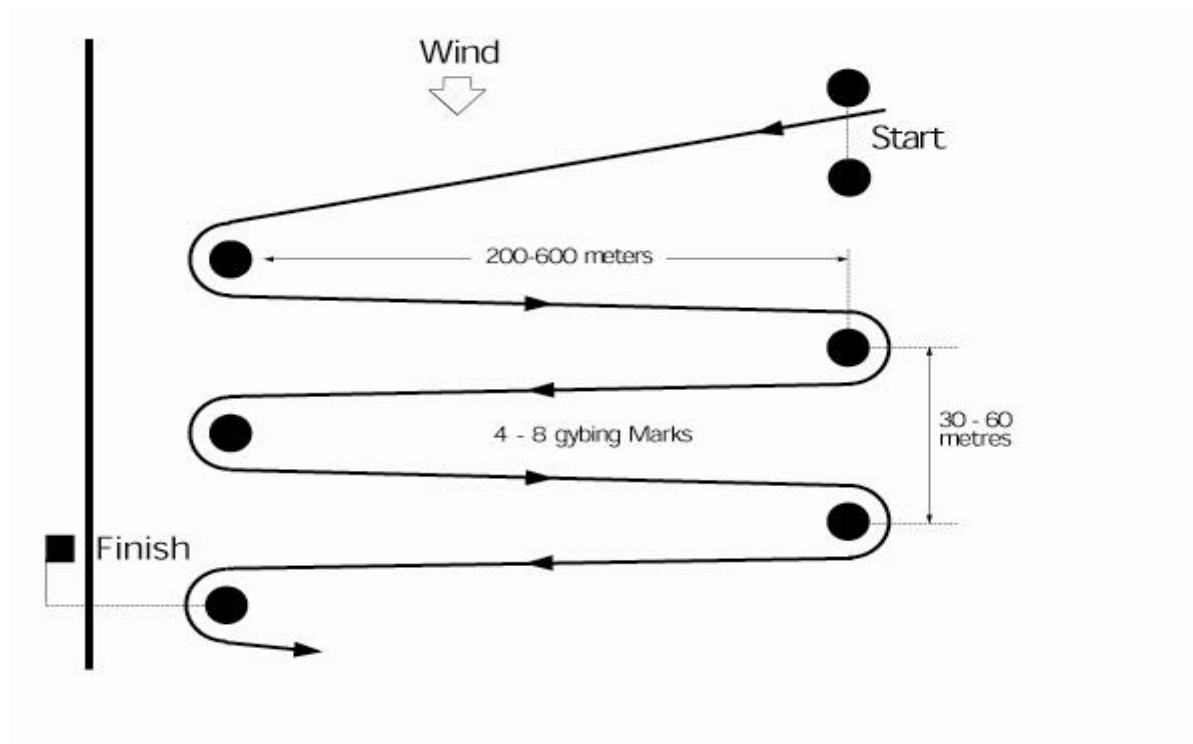
## APPENDIX -3- courses

### Figure of eight Slalom



**Note:** The start can be from the beach or on the water near the marks A or B. If the wind is not cross shore starts should normally be on the water. The finish can be to windward or leeward of mark B, on the water or the beach.

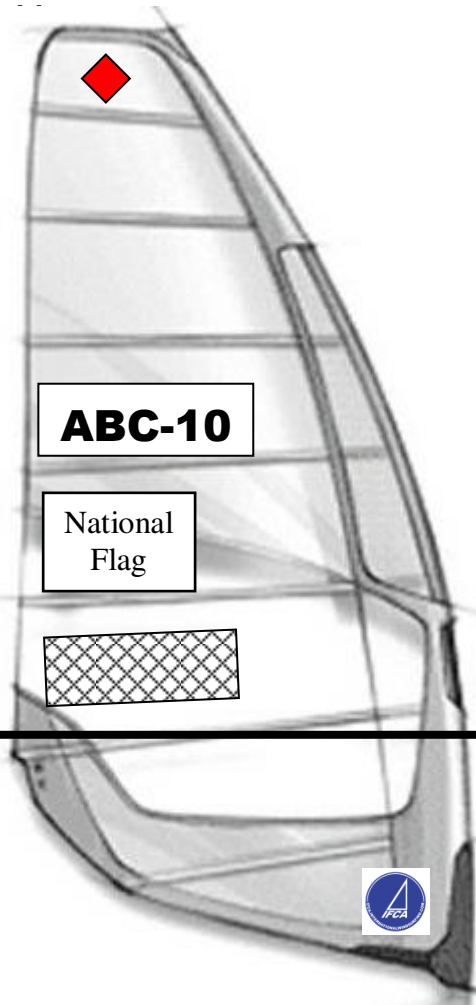
### Downwind Slalom



## APPENDIX -4- sail areas

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If you dissect the sail above the boom into three parts, from the luff:



In the top third you have space for the red rhomboid (for women only) or (see class rules) the class insignia the Board Manufacturers name or logo

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The middle third is where you place your national letters and sail numbers (and if required the national flag)

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The lower third, and in the back half of that area, is the place reserved for event sponsors, maximum 0,4 square meter.

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The rest of the sail (below the boom and the front half of the lower third above the boom and even above the sail numbers..) can be used for personal sponsors.

## APPENDIX -5- prize money split

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### 1. INTRO

- 1.1. If enough competitors enter a division to validate this division they will get minimal an equal % of the total amount of prize money of the event according to their representation in the total fleet of the event. If less than the required number of competitors is entered they will get a maximum 50 % of the normal percentage.

### 2. SLALOM

- 2.1. The Prize money fund will be divided as follows:

Case I (less than 5 woman)	no prize money for woman
Case II (5 to 9 woman)	10 % of the prize money for woman
Case III (10 to 24 woman)	20 % of the prize money for woman
Case IV (25 and more woman)	30 % of the prize money for woman

- 2.2. Men

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>
20%	16%	12%	10%	8%	6%	5%	4%	3.5%	3%	2.5%	2.5%	2%	2%	2%	1.5%

- 2.3. Women

- 2.3.1. 5 - 9 entries

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
50%	30%	20%

- 2.3.2. 10 - 24 entries

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
46%	29%	15%	10%

- 2.3.3. 25 or more competitors

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
24%	17%	14%	12%	8.5%	7%	5.5%	4.5%	4%	3.5%