

2023 XVII Pacific Games

19th November– 2nd December 2023

DC Park, Honiara, Solomon Islands

ORGANISING AUTHORITY (OA)

2023-Solomon Islands XVII Pacific Games Organising Committee

in conjunction with Solomon Islands Sailing Association, and Oceania Sailing Federation.

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). Other documents under RRS Definitions Rule (g) include:
 - 1.1.1 The Pacific Games Sailing Instructions (**SI**) (available on the OSAF website and the regatta office from 18th November 2023).
 - 1.1.2 [DP] Relevant Class Rules will apply.
 - 1.1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42.
 - 1.1.4 RRS Appendix B shall apply for the Sailboard classes
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 1.4 A boat shall neither make electronic transmissions while racing nor receive electronic communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction applies to all personal mobile devices.
- 1.5 In all rules governing this regatta and unless otherwise specifically provided:
 - 1.5.1 Both “athlete” and “competitor” mean a person competing or intending to compete in the regatta.
 - 1.5.2 [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 RRS A5.1); and
 - 1.5.3 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat and for which the International Jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 63.1.classes.
 - 1.5.4 Entries are limited by the rules of the Pacific Games Council and, as to entries per country limited to two entries per class.
 - 1.5.5 [DPJ[NP] Protocols relating to COVID-19 may be published at any time and will state if they have the status of a rule. All participants (competitors, support persons and officials) are expected to follow these protocols. Breaches of these and any event Covid protocols (distributed by the Pacific Games Council and issued as an attachment to the (SI) may be misconduct and subject to RRS 69.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 Appendix T will apply.
- 1.8 RRS 90.3(e) shall apply.

AMENDMENTS

Any amendment to this Notice of Race will be distributed by the Pacific Games Council and posted on the regatta office.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from 17th November 2023.

COMMUNICATIONS

2 VENUE

- 2.1 The regatta will be at DC Park.
- 2.2 The location of the racing area is shown in Attachment 1.
- 2.3 Access to the venue will be controlled by a personal accreditation system. All competitors and support persons shall carry their personal accreditation at all times while ashore in the venue and show their accreditation upon request.
- 2.4 No training will be allowed on site from 19th November 2023.

3 IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING ([DP][NP])

- 3.1 When provided by the Organizing Authority, boats or competitors shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:
 - 3.1.1 Bibs for all competitors;
 - 3.1.2 Coloured bibs for Event leaders (1st, 2nd and 3rd);
 - 3.1.3 Bow number;
 - 3.1.4 Regatta advertising;
 - 3.1.5 Cameras and electronic equipment-

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 World Sailing Eligibility shall apply. Each competitor shall be registered as a World Sailing Sailor on the World Sailing website <http://www.sailing.org/sailors/profile.php>.
- 4.2 All athletes must comply with entry requirements as specified in the PGC Charter; Protocol 7.
- 4.3 The policy of entry and registration published by the 2023 Pacific Games Organising Committee shall apply to the 2023 Pacific Games entries.
- 4.4 Only competitors registered by a Member National Authority (MNA) in good standing with World Sailing and the Pacific Games Council are eligible to enter the Pacific Games.
- 4.5 Unless otherwise approved by the PGC or World Sailing in accordance with World Sailing regulation 19.12, each competitor shall be a national of the country of the MNA which enters the boat or endorses the person in charge (as defined by RRS 46).
- 4.6 Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality when requested.
- 4.7 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a signed and completed parent (or guardian) consent and declaration form at on-site registration.
- 4.8 Competitors shall be fully paid members of the relevant international class association as required by those rules and evidence of membership shall be provided as requested by the Organizing Authority.
- 4.9 The closing date for all possible entries is 5th October 2023. There will be no late entries.

- 4.10 The regatta is open to boats of the following classes from Pacific Games Council-approved countries. The notice of race schedule 8.3 allows for each gender to race at alternative times. A competitor **may** participate in both the ILCA event and the Windsurfer LT class.

Event	Class	Gender Requirement
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Men's One Person Dinghy	ILCA 7	Male
Women's One Person Dinghy	ILCA 6	Female
Sailboard	Windsurfer LT Male Heavyweight 75 kilograms and over	Male
Sailboard	Windsurfer LT Male Lightweight under 75 kilograms	Male
Sailboard	Windsurfer LT	Female

Each country is restricted to a maximum of 2 entries per discipline. Sailboards males entries a maximum of 1 light and 1 heavy, OR 2 heavy, OR 2 light. For the Men's One Person Dinghy Women's One Person Dinghy and Sailboard events, a round robin will be raced with sailors alternating between boats/boards.

- 4.11 Competitors and their support team shall complete their registration as required by the 2023 Pacific Games Organising Authority.

5 FEES

- 5.1 There will be no entry fee for this regatta.

6 SUPPLIED BOATS AND EQUIPMENT ([DP][NP])

- 6.1 The equipment for the Men's One Person Dinghy, Women's One Person Dinghy, and Sailboard events will be supplied by the Organizing Authority no other equipment shall be used.
- 6.1.1 Only the supplied equipment, and permitted personal equipment, are allowed in the venue.
- 6.2 Failure of equipment supplied by the Organizing Authority shall not be grounds for redress, unless, in the opinion of the International Jury, it was the result of a manufacturing defect that could have been reasonably anticipated by the Organizing Authority. This changes RRS 62.
- 6.2.1 Competitors shall not change or modify any component of the boats without prior authorization of the jury. The boats shall be raced as supplied. NO BOAT EQUIPMENT MAY BE ADDED, REMOVED OR REPLACED INCLUDING TILLER AND TILLER EXTENSIONS ON THE ILCA.

7 FORMAT

- 7.1 The format for each event consists of an opening series and a medal race for the top five boats.

- 7.2 The opening series will be divided into a qualifying series sailed in a four-boat/board round-robin format.
- 7.3 Each group in the qualifying series will consist of four boats. Teams will be allocated a group and race according to the group they are placed in. Every athlete will have the opportunity to race against every sailor at least once (weather permitting).
- 7.4 If at the end of the group round, groups have completed an uneven number of races, the final race will be discarded to give all competitors an equal number of races at the end of the round. If each entrant in the group has 4 or more races, a discard race will be allowed
- 7.5 Athletes may be required to change boats on the water
- 7.6 Medal Race
 - 7.6.1 A final race for the five highest-ranked boats will be scheduled for each event on the final day of the event competition day.
 - 7.6.2 Assignments to a final race will be based on the ranking available 10 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the opening series.

8 SCHEDULE

- 8.1 Each day's racing will be a round-robin.
- 8.2 The warning signal for the morning will be made no earlier than 10:00, except on the last day of each event the warning signal will be made no earlier than 09:00
- 8.3 The schedule, including registration, equipment inspection and racing, is as follows:

Class/Event	Final Registration	Racing	Number of Races	Target time (minutes)
Sailboard Male	17 th November	20-25 November	14	15
Women's One Person Dinghy	17 th November	20-25 November	14	20
Sailboard Female	17 th November	27 Nov-2 Dec	14	15
Men's One Person Dinghy	17 th November	27 Nov-2 Dec	14	20

9 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION ([DP][NP])

- 9.1 This applies to competitor-provided equipment.
- 9.2 All boats may be inspected for compliance with the ER and Class Rules.
- 9.3 Regulations and class rules. In the case of conflict between the class rules and the Equipment Regulations, the latter will take precedence.
- 9.4 After equipment inspection, no boat or inspected equipment shall be taken from the boat park or the racing areas and their adjacent waters without written permission of the Organizing Authority.
- 9.5 Only entered competition boats may be kept in the venue boat park unless permission is granted by the Organizing Authority.
- 9.6 Any boat or equipment may be re-inspected at any time.

10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 The courses will be Windward/Leeward.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- (a) When fewer than five opening series races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores plus any SP penalty scores.
- (b) When five or more opening series races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score plus any SP penalty scores. However, the score from any final race will not be excluded.
- 11.3 Teams medals will be the combined points of the two sailors from the same MNA in the same event. If the MNA only sends one sailor for the purpose of a team medal, scoring the second score shall be the number of entries in that class plus 10 points.

12 SUPPORT TEAMS (INCLUDING SUPPORT BOATS) [[DP][NP]]

- 12.1 Only support boats supplied by the organizing authority will be allowed in the venue and racing area.
- 12.2 By registering as a support person and receiving accreditation, each such person agrees to be governed by the rules.

13 RISK STATEMENT

- 13.1 Competitors and support teams participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 3, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the regatta, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 13.1.1 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the regatta;
- 13.1.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- 13.1.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 13.1.4 By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the regatta and they are fit to participate;
- 13.1.5 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- 13.1.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- 13.1.7 It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or regatta and to attend any safety briefing held for the regatta.

14 MEDIA RIGHTS ([DP][NP])

- 14.1 By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority, World Sailing and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 14.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organising Authority. Information from such equipment shall not be used by a boat as evidence in a hearing. This changes RRS 63.6.
- 14.3 The equipment provided, once placed on the boat as instructed by the Organising Authority, shall not be manipulated by the competitor or the support person in any way, except when so required by the Organising Authority.
- 14.4 Competitors may be required for media interviews during the period of the competition.
- 14.5 All medallists shall be required to attend a media conference after the medal race. Athletes may also be required to attend a media conference at the end of the day's racing.
- 14.6 Athletes may also be asked to be available for interviews outside the formal mixed zone and media conferences, on either training or competition days.

15 CODE OF CONDUCT ([DP][NP])

- 15.1 Competitors and support team shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 15.2 Competitors shall handle any boats or equipment provided by the organizing authority with proper care and seamanship, and in compliance with any written instructions.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS ([DP][NP])

- 16.1 Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment.

17 REGISTRATION ([DP][NP])

- 17.1 Competitors are required to register no later than 17th November 2023.
- 17.2 Registration shall be made at the Regatta Office.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Prizes in the 2023 Pacific Games will be given as follows:

18.1 PACIFIC GAMES MEDALS.

Individual	Team
First: Gold Medal	First: Gold Medal
Second: Silver Medal	Second: Silver Medal
Third: Bronze Medal	Third: Bronze Medal

19 DRUG TESTING

- 19.1 Competitors are reminded of the World Sailing rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances, which are contained in World Sailing Regulation 21, Anti-Doping Code.
- 19.2 Drug testing may take place during this competition.

Attachment 1

Venue

