



GWA WINGFOIL WORLD CUP Leucate, France 2023

04.-10.04.2023

It is a pleasure to announce the third World Cup event of the GWA WINGFOIL WORLD TOUR 2023

which will be held in Leucate, France.

The dates will be from the 04^h to the 10th of April 2023

This is a GWA Wingfoil World Tour event and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2023 GWA Wingfoil World Tour Rulebook.

Registration

Entry procedure and Registration

All competitors planning to enter a GWA Wingfoil World Tour event shall pre-register through the GWA Wingfoil World Tour website or under the following direct link:

<https://www.wingfoilworldtour.com/register/#1673623316290-a8727b01-1fc5>

or via email to tom@globalwingsportsassociation.org or by other means to be specified by the GWA Sports Commission, no later than the published closing date for entries for that specific event.

Ultimately it is the competitors' responsibility to pre-register or to apply for an entry for an event and to ensure that the application has been received timely and correctly.

According to rule 11.2, fines and/or having their next events applications cancelled may be handed out to a pre-registered and / or qualified competitor who, without advanced notice fails to show up at an event.

Complete and signed entry forms for event registration must be signed and complete online after the application of the competitor got approved by the GWA Sports committee by latest one day after the preregistration period closes. Exceptions can only be granted by the GWA Representative.



If a competitor is unable to complete registration at the published time and place in the Race Notice for reasons beyond their control, then the competitor should contact the GWA Representative with details of their delay, and must gain consent for their registration period to be extended. Evidence must be supplied to support reasons showing that the circumstances were out of the competitor's control. Failure to comply with the above will prohibit a competitor from entering the event.

All riders must preregister for the event by 22nd February 2023

The registration mail should contain:

- Full Name:
- Nationality:
- Date of Birth:
- Email
- Telephone/Whatsapp:

All attending riders need to have a valid membership with the GWA to be insured during the participation in the event.

Cost of entry is 80.- Euro for competing in one discipline. If competing in both entry fee will be €160.

Every competitor needs to hold a valid GWA membership. The GWA membership needs to be obtained before or at the same time when confirming participation for an event and can be paid during the online registration. The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition.

All entry fee and GWA membership payments must be made before the 10th March 2023 via credit card payment through the online registration tool.

Entry restrictions

Entry-fee payments must be made no later than the end of the inscription-time at the respective event. In the case that the full amount of the inscription fee is not paid by the end of the announced inscription-time, the rider will not be allowed to compete. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event.

Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency!

In order to enter the event, parental consent / authorization must be received for all competitors who are under the age of 18 years old at the registration date.

Eligibility

A competitor is eligible for any GWA event if he meets the following conditions:

- He has a personal medical insurance with worldwide coverage. A valid membership card or certificate, or other satisfactory evidence of worldwide medical coverage may be requested.
- The competitor cannot hold the GWA, the GKA Event GmbH or the event-organizer responsible for any claims for damages as a consequence of the competitor not having sufficient personal medical insurance.
- The competitor cannot hold the GWA, the GKA Event GmbH or the event-organizer responsible for any legal liabilities and/or any claims for damages by third parties caused by the competitor.
- He holds a valid competitor's membership with the GWA Wingfoil World Tour



- All French riders must have a French licence French Federation Voile FFVoile competitor 2023 and send to marion.tabes@mairie-leucate.fr before the 15th of March

Entry allocation

There is a maximum number of 32 male competitors and 32 female competitors entering this event in the Surf-Freestyle discipline.

There is a maximum number of 48 male competitors and 48 female competitors entering this event in the Surf-Slalom discipline.

If the number of preregistered riders exceeds 32 or 48, the GWA Sports Commission will select the GWA Wildcards based on their participation and results in other international and national events as well as their wingfoil merits. For riders aiming to enter through a video wildcard application, their application video needs to be submitted to Liam via email – liam@globalwingsportsassociation.org

When sending video applications, we kindly ask that they are no longer than 2 minutes long, raw footage is provided and this can be sent in the form of a YouTube link or standard file that can be easily downloaded.

The GWA will publish the GWA wildcard allocation latest on 24th February 2023, two days after the end of preregistration.

	GWA Surf-Freestyle & Surf-Slalom	
CATEGORY	32 Surf-Freestyle Riders	48 Surf-Slalom Riders
Seeding List	1-20	1-35
GWA QS	21-25	36-40
GWA Wildcards	26	41-44
Video Wildcards	27-30	N/A
Organiser Wildcards	31-32	45-45

Seeding

The seeding for the GWA Wingfoil World Cup 2023 in Leucate, France will be done according to the 2022 end of year rankings;

Surf-Freestyle:

MEN			WOMEN		
1	Malo	Guénoilé	1	Paula	Novotna
2	Gollito	Estredo	2	Nia	Suardiaz
3	Camille	Bouyer	3	Flora	Artzner
4	Christopher Jr.	MacDonald	4	Orane	Ceris
5	Titouan	Galea	5	Kylie	Belloeuvre
6	Xavier	Corr	6	Bowien	VanDerLinden
7	Balz	Müller	7	Manuela	Jungo
8	Maxime	Chabloz	8	Maaike	Hauvermann



9	Stefan	Spiessberger	9	Fiona	Wylde
10	Francesco	Cappuzzo	10	Roberta	Sullini
11	Axel	Gerard	10	Lidiane	Viana Sanders
12	Noe	Cuyala	10	Rocio	Reigert
13	Gregorio	Pugliese	13	Christina	Koenig
14	Jeremy	Burlando	13	Isabel	Trivino
15	Clément	Hamon	13	Margherita	Barro
16	Tom	Auber	16	Eva	Wyss
17	Hugo	Marin	16	Tessa	Beumer
18	Bastien	Escofet	18	Sofia	Marchetti
19	Hendrick	Lopes	18	Maddalena	Spanu
20	Alan	Fedit	18	Timma	Flanagan
21	Lilian	Juppet	21	Lucia	Trivino
22	Fabian	Muhmenthaler	21	Sonia	LeBouteiller
23	Linus	Pünder	21	Maria	Behrens
24	Giulio	Gasperini	21	Mar	DeArceSanch ez
25	Julien	Bouyer	21	Marina	Alabau
26	Max	Robinson	21	Lena	Thysen
27	Riccardo	Zorzi			
28	Clement	Roseyro			
29	Jerome	Cloetens			
30	Jeremiah	Mcdonald			
31	Noa	Légier			
32	Wesley	Brito			
33	Chucho	Nonnot			
34	Mathis	Ghio			
35	Matteo	Guazzoni			
36	Kauli	Sadi			
37	Sebastiano	Zorzi			
38	Oscar	Leclair			
39	Michael	Näf			
40	Vinnicius	Martins			
41	Ancor	Sosa			
42	Marius	Auber			
43	Rubens	Nunes Teixeira			
43	Daniel	Pereira			
43	Victor	Habudzik			
43	Luca	Gasperini			
47	Lucas	Roguet			
47	Benjamin	May			
47	River	Moore Reynolds			
47	Nathan	Berger			
51	Jorge	Padilla			
52	Sebastian	Kickinger			
52	Devin	Hauser			
52	Bernhard	Mayrhofer			
52	Heinar	Brandstötter			



56	Julian	Salmonn
56	Jeffrey	Spencer
56	Liam	Dunkerbeck
59	Pablo	Amores
60	Charles	Brodel
61	Hector	Giraudier
62	Paolo	Brunelli
63	Zdenek	Maryzko
63	Baptiste	Cloarec
63	Miro	Tykal
63	Lasse	Harbacek
63	Thomas	Vincent
63	Valentin	Lux
63	Paolo	Averono
63	Marco	Ortiz Bey
63	Leo	Suardiaz
		Munzinger
72	Sam	Carentz
72	Yeray	Garcia
72	Pablo	Padilla
72	Charly	Martins
72	Vince	Duschneit
77	Clément	Colmas
77	Nicolas	Akgazciyan
77	Finn	Spencer
77	Zane	Schweitzer

Surf-Slalom:

MEN			WOMEN		
1	Titouan	Galea	1	Flora	Artzner
2	Francesco	Cappuzzo	2	Nía	Suardiaz
					Munzinger
3	Camille	Bouyer	3	Paula	Novotna
4	Mathis	Ghio	4	Orane	Ceris
5	Alessandro	Tomasi	5	Kylie	Belloeuvre
6	Bastien	Escofet	6	Maddalena	Spanu
				Maria	
7	Nicolo	Spanu	7	Timma	Flanagan
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11	Maxime	Chabloz	11	Manuela	Jungo
12	Julien	Bouyer	12	Tessa	Beumer
13	Hugo	Marin	13	Audrey	Marie-Agnes
14	Balz	Müller	14	Lidiane	Sanders



15	Axel	Gerard	15	Robert	Cindy
16	Oscar	Leclair	16	Nicole	MacDonald
17	Linus	Pünder	17	Roberta	Sullini
18	Tom	Auber	18	Liana	Oliveira
19	Xavier	Corr	19	Sofia	Marchetti
20	Max	Robinson	20	Charlotte	Baruzzi
21	Christopher Jr.	Macdonald			
22	Lilian	Juppet			
23	Clément	Hamon			
24	Luca	Franchi			
25	Jeremy	Burlando			
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35	Charles	Brodel			
36	Sebastiano	Zorzi			
37	Gollito	Estredo			
38	Matteo	Guazzoni			
39	Leandre	Carlier-Arquoit			
40	Stefan	Spiessberger			
41	Liam	Dunkerbeck			
42	Marius	Auber			
43	Hendrick	Lopes			
44	Finn	Spencer			
45	Paolo	Migliorini			
46	Zane	Schweitzer			
47	Devin	Hauser			
48	Paolo	Brunelli			
49	Jeffrey	Spencer			
50	Victor	Habudzik			
51	Christopher Sr.	Macdonald			
52	Mauro	Luiz			
53	Bernhard	Mayrhofer			
54	Antonio	Correa			
55	Goodricke	Thomas			
56	Sergio	Perera			
57	Ivan	Kamm			
58	Mateo	Dussarps			
59	Manoel	Paula			
60	Daniel	Hauser			
61	Daniel	Cruz			
62	Heinar	Brandstötter			



63	Romain	Vie
64	Dudu	Mazzocato
65	Raimondo	Gasperini
66	Luca	Gasperini
67	Carlo	Ciabatti
68	Sebastian	Kickinger
69	Gunnar	Biniasch
70	Hector	Giraudier
71	Aidan	Nicholas
72	Luc	Crestey
73	Benjamin	Billarant
74	Wesley	Brito
75	Noa	Légier
76	Sebastien	Jourdant
77	Antoine	Gardais
78	Thierry	Boyer
79	Nicolas	Raffi
80	Nicolas	Akgazciyan
81	Fabian	Muhmenthaler
82	Xavier	Bonnard
83	Tanguy	Nef
84	Christian	Dupé
85	Benoit	Carpentier
86	Bernard	Buren
87	Victor	Nave
88	Paul	Le Bris

Disciplines

There will be TWO official World Cup disciplines in this GWA Wingfoil World Tour event.

Surf-Freestyle

Surf-Slalom

Divisions:

Pro Men (Surf-Freestyle/Surf-Slalom): Any age (**minimum 14 years old in the year of competition**)

Pro Women (Surf-Freestyle/Surf-Slalom): Any age (**minimum 14 years old in the year of competition**)

There is a minimum number of **4 competitors needed** to run a separate division, otherwise all male and female competitors will run together in one division.

Important Info

- All riders need to wear a helmet during competition!
- For Surf-Slalom discipline an impact vest is mandatory!
- For Surf-Freestyle discipline, the Race Director can decide impact vest is mandatory.
- Competitors have to wear the official lycra at all times when proceeding to the water – also during training.
- Each rider will get one competition riders' vest at the registration. Each rider is responsible for his competition riders' vests. In case of loss a replacement is not possible!



- Competitors shall wear the event advertising lycra vest supplied by the Event Organizer over all other clothing, including harness on the water at all times during the event and one (1) board sticker to be placed on the top and on the bottom of the board.
- All competitors are required to abide by the advertising rules as laid out in the Rule Book. Competitors breaching these rules may be warned in writing for the first offence and may incur a fine at the second offence of not more than \$ 500 for each violation.
- All rider meetings and opening/closing ceremonies in the schedule are mandatory to all riders. Please be on time and ready.
- The Riders ID-Strap authorizes you to enter the equipment storage tent. You will receive the Riders ID-Strap personally and only at the registration.
- Riders are not permitted to publicly associate their names in non-authorized parties/autograph sessions.
- There will be a social event-calendar for each side event that all riders have to join via social media and share.
- Please use these media hash tags for all social media posts:

Equipment storage

There will be equipment storage on site during the event period at Viglamo from Monday 3rd April and on the beach park from the 4th April.

Travel info

Closest Airport to fly to is Perpignan, but most international flights connection are to Barcelona, Girona, Montpellier or Toulouse. Driving distances from the different airports are ...

- Perpignan: 30 minutes
- Montpellier: 1 h 20
- Girona: 90 minutes
- Toulouse: 2hr
- Barcelona: 2hr 50

Air France have also put on a discount code for flights. Please follow the link below and use the following code for the discount;

- Link:
<https://globalmeetings.airfranceklm.com/Search/promoDefault.aspx?vendor=AFR&promocode=39446AF¤tculture=fr-FR>
- Code: **39446AF**

By car:

The address of the event headquarter of the GWA Wingfoil World Cup Leucate (Mondial du Vent):

Mondial du Vent
SAS VIGLAMO – Domaine Presqu'île de la Franqui
Chemin des Coussoules
11370 La Franqui

The event address

Mondial du Vent
Plage de La Franqui
11 370 La Franqui

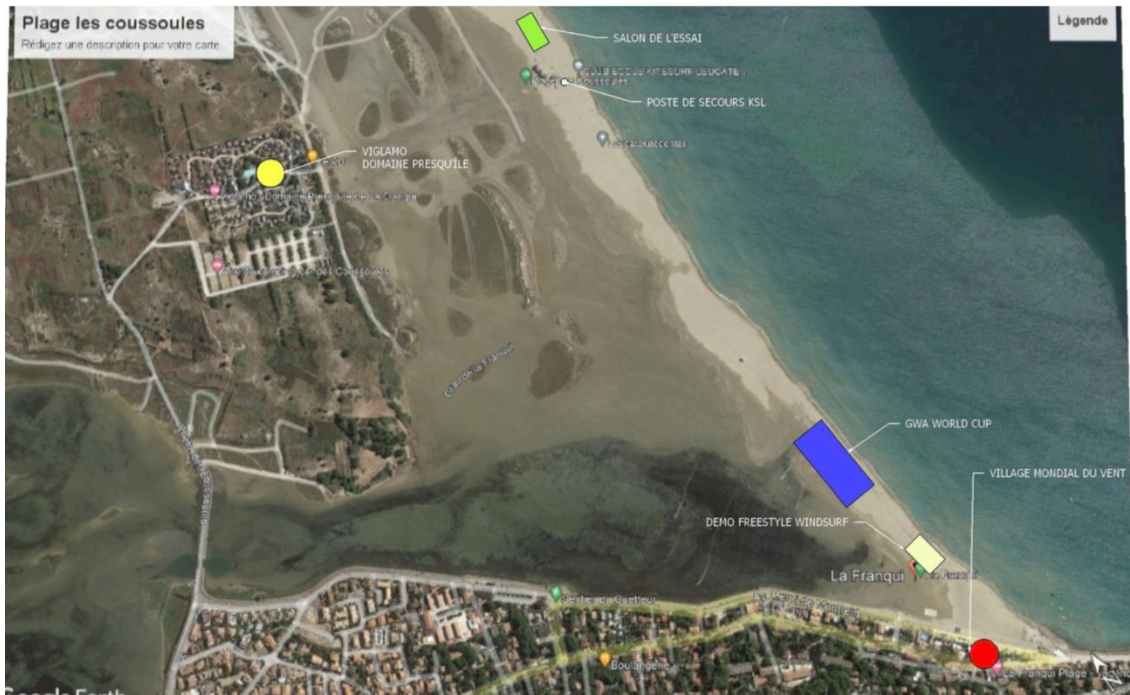


Organiser Contact:

Valerie Salles

Email: valerie.salles@orange.fr

Location map:



Travel documents and Visa:

If an invitation letter is needed for riders, please email liam@globalwingsportsassociation.org and he will issue you the document.

Accommodation for competitors:

Mondial du Vent 2023:

How to book your stay at Viglamo?

For the 2023 edition of the Mondial du Vent, Viglamo as official host, offers you a complete & simple reservation offer.

For all stays during the Mondial as rider PLEASE COULD YOU BOOK ACCOMODATION BEFORE THE 28th of February. It is Easter week end and Viglamo will be full.

- An exceptional 30% discount on your stay* in the Manyara Eco-lodge (4 or 6 people).
- For camping pitch stay: 20% on your stay* on a pitch (Tent, motorhome or caravan).
- If you make your reservation directly with us, it is also possible. For this you have two options;
 - Send us an email specifying that you wish to book for the Mondial, with your dates of stay and the desired accommodation: backoffice@viglamo.com
 - By phone, giving us the same information: +33 (0)4 68 45 74 93



Weather:

Leucate has a Southern European climate with typical spring temperatures that can vary a lot. The average air temperature can be between 18°C the highest and the lowest of 11°C in this time of the year. The average water temperature in April is around 15°C, so don't forget to bring a wetsuit. Sunrise is around 07.00h and sunset around 20.30h.

Wind Information

Tramontana: strong and offshore, can reach up to 40 knots
Marin: light to moderate sideonshore seabreeze

You can find the best online wind forecasts on Windguru and Windy.

Event Schedule

Tuesday 4th April

16:00 – 18:00: Riders Registration
18:30 Onwards: Welcome Drinks at Viglamo

Wednesday 5th April

09:00: Riders Briefing
10:00: First Possible Start
18:00: End of Competition

Thursday 6th April

09:30: Skippers Meeting
10:00: First Possible Start
18:00: End of Competition

Friday 7th April

09:30: Skippers Meeting
10:00: First Possible Start
17:00: End of Competition
18:00: Opening Ceremony

Saturday 8th April

09:30: Skippers Meeting
10:00: First Possible Start
18:00: End of Competition

Sunday 9th April

09:30: Skippers Meeting
10:00: First Possible Start
18:00: End of Competition

Monday 10th April

09:30: Skippers Meeting
10:00: First Possible Start
17:00: End of Competition
18:00: Closing Ceremony

Be aware that times of competition can change and will depend on weather conditions. Skippers Meeting for the following day will always be communicated at the end of the previous day!



Equipment

- Only hydrofoils are eligible for use in competition. There are not any restrictions on the size, length and width of the quiver
- The leading edge from the wing must be inflatable.
- Footstraps, pads and wax are allowed.
- The use of a safety leash to secure the wing is mandatory.
- The use of a helmet is mandatory.
- The use of a board leash could be mandatory depending on the conditions. It will be announced by the Race Director and posted in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.

Prize money – Surf Freestyle & Surf-Slalom

The prizemoney for the GWA Wingfoil World Cup 2023 in Leucate, France will be **15.000 Euro**. The prizemoney split will be equally for the two official disciplines, which means that there is **7.500 Euro. For Surf-Slalom** discipline and **7.500 Euro. for Surf-Freestyle** discipline.

Prize money distribution

The full amount of the advertised prize money shall be payable when a valid result stands as specified in the relevant subsections of the GWA Rulebook.

The WWT, the GWA and/or the event organiser have got the right to subtract the competitors' individual withhold-tax from the prize-money to be paid out. The WWT, the GWA and/or the event organiser have got the right to pay the individual withhold-tax on behalf of the competitor to the national tax- authorities of the country in which the event takes place. The WWT, the GWA and/or the event organiser shall give all necessary information and documents of the tax-payment made to the competitor for his personal disposal.

Ten per cent (10%) of the available prize money (1.500 Euro. at this event) will be allocated to the overall ranking.

The prize money distribution per event between genders will be done equally until 4th position. After that, the prize money will be distributed between genders based on the number of participants. The prize money distribution of each discipline for a valid and completed WWT event is specified in the relevant subsections of this Rulebook.

Prize Split – Surf Freestyle

- The prize money distribution for a valid and completed WWT event will be done according to the following:
- If there is 16 or more competitors in one gender and less than 16 competitors in the other gender then the prize split will be as followed:
- 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
- 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men
- 20% of total prize money are split between Positions 5-8 of the gender with more than 16 competitors (4 riders in equal 5th place)
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Gender with 16 or more		Gender with less than 16	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	15	1	15



2	10	2	10
3	8	3	8
4	7	4	7
Total 1- 4	40	Total 1- 4	40
5	5		
5	5		
5	5		
5	5		
Total 5-8	20		

- If there are 16 or more competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 women
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 men

16 or more women		16 or more men	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	14	1	14
2	9	2	9
3	7	3	7
4	6	4	6
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
5	3,5	5	3,5
Total	50	Total	50

- If there are less than 16 competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
- 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men

Less than 16 women		Less than 16 men	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)



1	19	1	19
2	14	2	14
3	10	3	10
4	7	4	7
Total	50	Total	50

Prize Split – Surf-Slalom

The prize money distribution for a valid and completed WWT event will be done according to the following:

- if there is 16 or more competitors in one gender and less than 16 competitors in the other gender then the prize split will be as followed:
 - 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
 - 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men
 - 20% of total prize money are split between Positions 5-8 of the gender with 16 or more competitors.

gender with 16 or more		gender with less than 16	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	15	1	15
2	10	2	10
3	8	3	8
4	7	4	7
Total 1- 4	40	Total 1- 4	40
5	6,5		
6	5,5		
7	4,5		
8	3,5		
Total 5-8	20		

- if there is 16 or more competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:
 - 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 women
 - 50% of total prize money are split between Top 8 men



16 or more women		16 or more men	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	14	1	14
2	9	2	9
3	7	3	7
4	6	4	6
5	5	5	5
6	4	6	4
7	3	7	3
8	2	8	2
Total	50	Total	50

- if there is less than 16 competitors in both genders the prize split will be as followed:
 - 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
 - 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 men

Less than 16 women		Less than 16 men	
position	percentage (%)	position	percentage (%)
1	19	1	19
2	14	2	14
3	10	3	10
4	7	4	7

Total	50	Total	50
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Surf-Freestyle Discipline

The Elimination procedure shall be:

- (i) Competitors' names shall be entered on the appropriate elimination ladder according to the event seeding and the heat distribution table below.
- (ii) Competitors with no ranking will be distributed in the WWT ladder according to the name drawing that shall be done by the Race Director at the first day mandatory meeting for all competitors before the competition starts.
- (iii) "Byes," if any, shall be positioned so that they are allocated to the most highly ranked competitors.

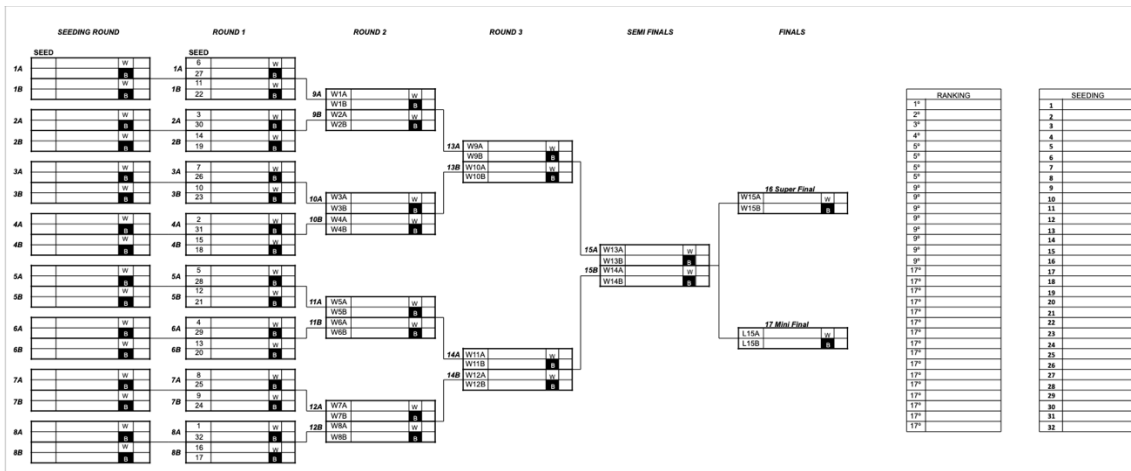


(iv) Competitors shall ride one against one, or in groups of up to 4. The declared winners shall advance on the elimination ladder. Once a round is started, the format shall stay the same until that round is completed.

Elimination Ladders – Surf Freestyle

The elimination ladder used for the WWT Surf-Freestyle events shall be a single elimination with an additional seeding round to begin.

- WWT 32 Riders Elimination:



SURF-FREESTYLE JUDGING RULES

General Judging Rules

Selection of judges

- (i) Only the WWT Sports Commission can make appointments and substitutions for an event.
- (ii) An attempt shall be made to ensure that no judge has a vested interest. There should not be family tie with a competitor.

Individual Scoring procedure

- In order to bring the variety criteria into effect, the judges won't count a repeated manoeuvre.
- Judging Criteria are applied to score individual waves or tricks performed.
- The maximum of attempts per wave or trick will be up to the Head Judge. A notice must be made on the Official Notice Board 30 minutes before the heat starts.
- One or two panels of judges, each panel comprising an odd number of judges, no less than three (3) in number, shall score each heat. When there are five (5) judges, the highest and the lowest scores per wave or scoring category will be withdrawn and the average scores of the other three (3) judges will be counted as the final wave or category score.
- If a judge misses a wave or a trick they should place an "M" and that score will be given points equal to the average to the nearest thousandth of a point (0.005 to be rounded upward) of the other judges' scores.
- The judges shall award each competitor's wave or trick or judging category points on a scale from 0.1 to 10.0, broken into one-hundredths increments (e.g 6.444).
- Each individual score is rounded to the nearest hundredths place. The rounded scores are added to calculate the final score.



- The scores of the respective competitors shall be tabulated together to determine the winner: highest points wins.
- The weight given to waves, tricks and judging categories will be announced by the Head Judge and in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.
- If a competitor lands the trick wet and doesn't lose the board, the judges will still give some credit to the trick. It's at the discretion of each judge to consider if it's a crash or a wet landing and to consider how much credit they will give to the trick, based on the commitment, technical difficulty, height, and time spent going up to the board.
- The credit given to wet trick landings is directly related to the risk factor involved in the execution of the trick. For tricks with a high degree of risk factor, judges won't deduct points for a wet landing.

A trick is a crash only if the majority of the judges consider it as a crash. If the minority of the judges consider a trick as a crash, those crashes will be withdrawn and the judges will reconsider the trick in the other scoring categories.

- A crash will be considered when:
 - a competitor finishes the trick by pulling the leash to get the wing back.
 - when landing a trick, a competitor is capsized, losing control of the board or wing.
 - a competitor lands a jump but loses the wing.
 - a competitor lands a jump but crashes the wing into water and completely stops.

Judges may give credit to a landed trick that is not a crash when:

a competitor lands a jump and crashes the wing into the water, but manages to relaunch it and keep riding without completely stopping.

The credit given to such a trick is directly related to the risk factor and technicality involved in the execution of the trick.

It's at the discretion of each judge to consider how much credit they will give to the trick.

Overall Impression Scoring procedure

An overall impression score may be used in addition to the trick scores counting towards the final heat result. Criteria of variety, "wow" factor, smoothness, innovation, tricks landed vs crashes, and commitment impact the Overall Impression score. The points awarded to the Overall Impression score counting towards the final result per competitor during a heat will be announced by the Head Judge and posted in the Official Notice Board at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of the heat.

Judging Criteria

Judging criteria for the waves

Judging Criteria are applied to score individual waves ridden. Each judge analyses the following major elements when scoring a wave:

- (i) Degree of difficulty of the manoeuvres performed.
- (ii) Commitment in the manoeuvres performed and the risk taken to perform them.
- (iii) Variety and combination of manoeuvres within the same wave.
- (iv) Speed and power.
- (v) Flow and linking of manoeuvres.
- (vi) Size of the waves ridden, directly linked to the degree of difficulty of manoeuvres performed in each wave.
- (vii) Innovative and progressive manoeuvres.



It's important to note that the emphasis of certain elements is contingent upon the location and the conditions on the day, as well as changes of conditions during the day.

Competitors must combine the major key elements in order to be awarded scores in the excellent range

The following scale may be used to describe a wave ridden that is scored:

- 0 – 1.9 = Poor;
- 2.0 – 3.9 = Fair;
- 4.0 – 5.9 = Average;
- 6.0 – 7.9 = Good;
- 8.0 – 10.0 = Excellent.

Judging criteria for Freestyle tricks

(i) *Height and amplitude* – The combination of height and amplitude of the tricks completed during the heat. As the wind conditions increase, this aspect will exponentially become more and more into consideration, but only when the height and amplitude are achieved along with risk factor and technical difficulty.

(ii) *Technical Difficulty* – The technical difficulty of tricks completed during the heat.

(iii) *Power* – The power during the execution of the tricks. Power will be considered as a combination of speed into the trick to pop and speed out during the landing, height and amplitude during the trick.

(iv) *Risk factor* – The risk factor is directly linked to the power, height, amplitude and technical difficulty of the jump, but also to the commitment of the competitor and physical challenge during the execution, duration of the critical moment, and energy on the execution.

(v) *Smoothness* – Smoothness and fluidity during the execution and landing of tricks completed during the heat.

(vi) *Innovation* – Tricks that have never been landed in competition before.

Surf-Slalom Discipline

The Elimination procedure shall be

- Competitors' names shall be entered on the appropriate elimination ladder according to the event seeding and the heat distribution table below.
- Competitors with no ranking will be distributed in the WWT ladder according to the name drawing that shall be done by the Head Protest Judge at the first day mandatory meeting for all competitors before the competition starts.
- "Byes," if any, shall be positioned so that they are allocated to the most highly ranked competitors.
- Competitors shall ride all versus all, in several surf-slalom/heats. The declared winners shall advance on the elimination ladder.
- If a division has less than 20 competitors, it can be run as a full fleet race with all the competitors at once. The Full fleet can be only used in the long-distance format. It is recommended to don't run heats with a bigger fleet of 15 competitors.

Scoring Surf-Slalom Discipline

When Surf Slalom is run using an elimination system, competitors will score points based on the following principle. Competitors in the final shall score their finishing position (0.7 for 1st place). Competitors in a small final shall score their finishing position plus the number of competitors in the final. Competitors in previous heats shall score the average of the positions covered by all sailors who finished in the same position in the other heats in that round of the elimination.

(i) in a single 48 elimination with 12 riders in each heat.



Finishing Position	Points
FINAL	
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9 th , 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	0.7, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
SMALL FINAL	
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9 th , 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
ROUND 1	
7th, 8th, 9th, 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	26.5, 30.5, 34.5, 38.5, 42.5, 46.5

(iii) in a single 24 elimination with 12 riders in each heat.

Finishing Position	Points
FINAL	
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	0,7, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
SMALL FINAL	
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24

Scoring of Incomplete Heats

- Where the minimum number of heats for a valid race/elimination series has been completed but not all places determined, competitors qualified for heats which have not been run shall be awarded the total of the points for all the positions not decided, divided by the number of competitors in the remaining heats.
- An elimination needs to be completed including the finals to be scored for the event ranking.
- If the first elimination is completed including the semi-finals it will count as a valid race for the event ranking.
- All riders that qualified for the final which is incompleted will get rewarded the average points from positions 1st to 12th, and all the riders that qualify to the small finals which are incomplete will get the average points from 13th till 24th.

Number of Eliminations and discards



Depending upon the number of discards permitted, the highest, then second highest and third highest scores are discarded. The lowest total score, with discards, if any, taken into account, wins. Scores may be discarded as set out in the following table.

Nº OF RACE / ELIMINATIONS	DISCARDS
1 to 3	0
4 to 6	1
7 to 9	2
10 ore more	3

Examples of Surf-Slalom courses:

Surf-Slalom courses will be available to download shortly when the new 2023 GWA Rulebook gets published.

Rulebook

The “GWA Wingfoil World Tour Rulebook 2023” will soon be available for download on the official GWA Wingfoil World Tour website.

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