



GWA WINGFOIL WORLD CUP Leucate, France 06.-14.04.2024

It is a pleasure to announce the second World Cup event of the GWA WINGFOIL WORLD TOUR 2024

which will be held in Leucate, France.

The dates will be from the 06^h to the 14th of April 2024

This is a GWA Wingfoil World Tour event, and the competition is sanctioned and governed by the 2024 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://app.wingfoilworldtour.com/

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 21st February 2024

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.

After confirmation of participation, the rider will receive a payment link. Payments must be made via credit card. 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 this case an amount of 40,- Euro processing fee will be added to the regular entry-fee.

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.

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 2024 and send to <a href="mailto:mailt



Entry allocation

There is a maximum number of 28 male competitors and 28 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 28 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.

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 23th February 2024, two days after the end of preregistration.

	GWA Surf-Freestyle & FreeFly-Slalom	
CATEGORY	28 Surf- Freestyle Riders	48 FreeFly- Slalom Riders
Seeding List	1-16	1-35
GWA QS	17-21	36-40
GWA Wildcards	22	41-44
Video Wildcards	23-26	N/A
Organiser Wildcards	27-28	45-48

Disciplines

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

Surf-Freestyle FreeFly-Slalom

Divisions:

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



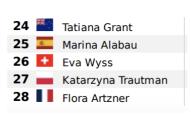
Seeding

The seeding for the GWA Wingfoil World Cup 2024 in Leucate, France will be done according to the 2023 end of year rankings.

Surf-Freestyle;

1	Christopher Macdonald	
2	Malo Guenole	
3	Alan Fedit	
4	Bastien Escofet	
5	Axel Gerard	
6	Xavier Corr	
7	Noé Cuyala	
8 🔤	Jerome Cloetens	
9	Francesco Cappuzzo	
10 🔤	Ancor Sosa	
11 🛨	Balz Müller	
12	Riccardo Zorzi	
13	Clément Hamon	
14 =	Benjamin May	
15	Lilian Juppet	
16 🔷	Vinnicius Martins	
17	Luca Vuillermet	
18 🚃	Chucho Nonnot	
19	Giulio Gasperini	
20	Aleksander Acherer	
21	Titouan Galea	
22 🏪	Jeremiah Mcdonald	
23	Oscar Leclair	
24	Solenn Gall	
25 🙌	Max Robinson	
26	Camille Bouyer	
27	Sebastiano Zorzi	
28	Lasse Harbacek	
29	Cash Berzolla	
30 📀	Kauli Seadi	
31	Stefan Spiessberger	
32 🔤	Nathan Berger	
33	Julien Bouyer	
34 🔤	Leo Suardiaz	
35	Benjamin Castenskiold	

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2	Bowien Van Der Linden
3	Orane Ceris
4	Sofia Marchetti
5	Kylie Belloeuvre
6	Viola Lippitsch
7	Charlotte Baruzzi
8	Mar De Arce
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10	Maria Behrens
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13 =	Laura Mayer
14	Sonia Le Bouteiller
15 🔤	Elena Moreno
16 🛌	Paula Novotna
17 🔤	Lucia Triviño
18 🏝	Aime Bright
19	Camilla Montironi
20 📀	Carolina Costa
20 📀	Lidiane Viana
22 🔤	Regaliz Sollom
23	Cristelle Baud





35 🔤	Liam Dunkerbeck		
37	Tom Auber		
38	Hugo Wigglesworth		
38 🏧	Anthony Eppen		
40	Arthur Thébault		
40 🔤	River Moore		
42	Luca Gasperini		
43	Gollito Estredo		
44	Sil Romeijn		
45	Valentin Lux		
46	Nicoló Spanu		
46	Tomas Acherer		
48	Jannik Salmonn		
48 🔤	Nagai Puntiverio		
50	Mathis Ghio		
50	Sam Esteve		
50	Nico Akgazciyan		
50	Wesley Brito		
54	Clément Colmas		
54 🎬	Josh Collins		
54 🚟	Kiran Verma		
54	Zane Schweitzer		
54 🎬	Aidan Nicholas		
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FreeFly-Slalom;

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		Hugo Dobrijevic
		Paul Artzner
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	F	Jannis Blaesino
	п	Valentin Lux
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55		Hector Giraudier
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24	Marta Monge
25 🚟	Natalia Linkova
	Agata Blach
27	Vanessa Perina
28 🚹	Cindy Robert



58 🏝	William Novak		
59 🌌	Luc Lohier		
60 🔤	Jeremy Rodríguez		
61	Jonathan Eckardt		
62 🎬	Finn Pye		
63	Georgi Vasilev		
64 🔤	Nagai Puntiverio		
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67 🔤	Liam Dunkerbeck		
68	Yaris Dell Omo		
69 📀	Carlos Junior		
70 🍱	Toby Wigglesworth		
71	Loukas Fedit		
72	Gunnar Biniasch		
73 🎬	Mathew Mcintosh		
74 🌇	Anthony Eppen		
75	Gautier Guichard		
76	Hugo Marin		
77	Cash Berzolla		
78 🔤	Walid Benhammou		
79 🔤	Marino Gil		
80 🌇	Paul Hansen		
81	Lasse Harbacek		
82 🌃	Kylie Taylor		
83 🏜	Amie Armstrong		
84 🔤	Alfonso García		
85	Nicolas Raffi		
86	Audoin Hiltenbrand		
87 🌉	Alex Yakimkin		
88	Sam Esteve		
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90	Sebastiano Baruffaldi		
91	Nico Akgazciyan		

92 🚻	Basri Hallim
93	Luc Crestey
94	Sebastien Jourdant
95	Anthony Smith
95	Olivier Morin
95	Benjamin Le Hebel
95	Wesley Brito

Important Info

- All riders need to wear a helmet during competition!
- For FreeFly-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 must join via social media and share.
- French Sailors need to have a FFVoile Membership
- Please use these media hash tags for all social media posts:

Membership

- Every competitor needs to hold a valid GWA membership. The duration of GWA membership is from the first to the last event of the WWT season.
- Membership fees shall be determined by the GWA at the start of the year and may be changed at any notice during the year.
- At the end of the inscription-time, the rider must be able to prove a valid GWA membership. After confirmation of participation, he will receive a payment link. Payments must be made via credit card. 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.
- The cost of the GWA membership is 80 € for competing in one event and 160 € per year (to be paid 80 € at the first event entered and 80 € at the second event entered. The total amount of 160 € can also be paid in once at the first event for the complete year. Membership fees are excluding event fees.)
- The GWA membership fee for Local / National Wildcard holders is reduced to 20 € for competing in one event and 100 € per year (to be paid 20 € at the first event entered when receiving a wildcard and 80 € at the second event entered).
- The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition. Benefits are only provided in accordance with the current ERAG insurance policy. The GWA Wingfoil World Tour, the GKA Event GmbH, the Global Wingsports Association cannot hold liable for any legal and/or financial liability, losses, damages, which might occur from the participation in the competition/event.
- Please note that the insurance is only valid for riders not competing in their country of residence. Local riders are **not** insured through their GWA membership.

Equipment storage

There will be equipment storage on site during the event period at Viglamo from Monday 6rd April and on the beach park from the 6^{th of} April.

Travel info

Closest Airport to fly to is Perpignan, but most international flights connection is 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 will be offering a discount code for those flying to Perpignan. Below you can find the link and code needed when booking a flight.

Event: Mondial du Vent - 7 au 14 April 2024

ID Code: 40998AF

Travel Valid Period: March 31, 2024 to April 21, 2024

Event Location: Perpignan

Please visit the event website or access directly through https://globalmeetings.airfranceklm.com/Search/promoDefault.aspx?vendor=AFR&promocode=40998AF.

By car:

The address of the event headquarters 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

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:

Accommodation will be offered at Viglamo. Riders must contact Maeva at the address backoffice@viglamo.com before February 22nd, 2024. When emailing please mention the following.

- First name of the person making the reservation (if several riders in the same lodge, provide all the names)
- Address
- Mail address
- Phone Number
- Arrival date and departure date
- Number of people in the lodge (adults and/or minors)

You will benefit from a 30% discount on booking a Manyara Eco Lodge, or for those who prefer, a Tent Lodge (these are not blocked). Motorhome pitches will have 15% reduction.



All accommodation can be viewed on our website. Here is the link for the Manyara Eco Lodge: https://www.viglamo.com/locations/eco-lodge/eco-lodge-6p/

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 05°C in this time of the year. The average water temperature in April is around 13°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 side onshore Seabreeze

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

Event Schedule

Saturday 6th April

14:00 - 15:30: Riders Registration

16:00: Riders Breifing

18:00 Onwards: Welcome Drinks at Viglamo – ALL RIDERS MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE

Sunday 7th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

Monday 8th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

Tuesday 9th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

Wednesday 10th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

Thursday 11th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start 18:00: Opening of the village

Friday 12th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

Saturday 13th April

08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

Sunday 14th April



08:00: Riders Briefing 09:00: First Possible Start

18:00: Closing ceremony and Prize giving - ALL RIDERS MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE

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 & FreeFly-Slalom

The prizemoney for the GWA Wingfoil World Cup 2024 in Leucate, France will be **20.000 Euro.** The prizemoney split will be equally for the two official disciplines, which means that there is **10.000 Euro.** For FreeFly-Slalom discipline and **10.000 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 (2.000 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)



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 tha	n 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 - FreeFly-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:
 - o 40% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
 - o 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		-1
6	5,5	1	
7	4,5	1	
8	3,5	1	
Total 5-8	20	1	



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 - o 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	

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 - o 50% of total prize money are split between Top 4 women
 - o 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

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.

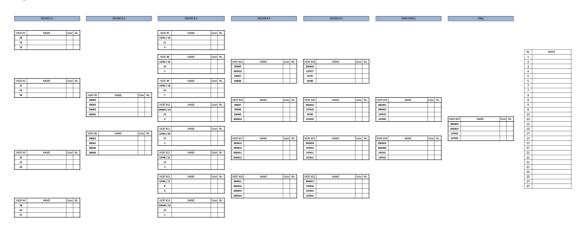


- (ii) Competitors with no ranking will be distributed in the WWT ladder according to the name drawing that shall be done by the Race Director at the first day mandatory meeting for all competitors before the competition starts.
- (iii) "Byes," if any, shall be positioned so that they are allocated to 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 28 or 14 Dingle elimination 4 riders for the men and women.

Men



Women



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.

Innovation factor

Extra coefficient for Innovation

Scores for innovative manoeuvres will be multiplied by a coefficient value depending on the level of difficulty to help incentivize innovations to be performed. After the average score comes up on the system, the Head judge will multiply it by the relative value for innovation tricks.

There are two extra coefficient values:



- The inverted manoeuvres will be multiplied by x 1.3
- The flat manoeuvres will be multiplied by x 1.2

FreeFly-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.

Elimination Ladders – FreeFly Slalom

		ROUND 1			ROUND 2			WINNER FINAL	
	3								
	6								
	11								
	14								
	19								
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	27 30		_						
	35								
	38								
	43								
	46								
								HEAT # 7 MINI FINAL	
	2			1ST#1			7TH #5		
	7			2ND #1			8TH #5		
	10			3RD #1			9TH #5		
	15			4TH#1			10TH #5		
	18			5TH#1			11TH #5		
#2	23		#5	6TH#1		#7	12TH #5		1st #1 =
	26			1ST #2 2ND #2			7TH #6 8TH #6		2nd #1 = 2
	31		_	2ND #2 3RD #2			9TH#6		3rd #1 = 3
	39			3RD #2 4TH #2			10TH #6		4th #1 = 4
	42			5TH#2		_	11TH #6		6th #1 = 1
	47			6TH#2			12TH #6		7th #1 = 1
				5111112			12111110		8th #1 = 8
								HEAT # 8 WINNER FINAL	9th #1 = 9
	4			1ST#3			1ST #5		10th #1 = 1
	5			2ND #3			2ND #5		11th #1 = 1
	12			3RD #3			3RD #5		12th #1 = 1
	13			4TH#3			4TH #5		
	20			5TH#3			5TH #5		
#3	21		#6	6TH #3		#8	6TH #5		
#3	28		***	1ST #4		***	1ST #6		
	29			2ND #4			2ND #6		
	36			3RD #4			3RD #6		
	37 44			4TH #4 5TH #4			4TH #6 5TH #6		
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Scoring FreeFly-Slalom Discipline

When FreeFly 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

The event ranking consists of 4 regular eliminations where one discard is applied and the Final Elimination, which only a limited number of competitors can enter.

After the 4 eliminations there will be a ranking by points according to the FreeFly-Slalom scoring rules.

The low scoring system used in the classic eliminations will be valid for qualifying the top 13 male and Top 6 female sailors for the finals, and for ranking male sailors 14 to 48 and female sailors 7 to 20.

The top 13 male riders and the Top 6 female riders are qualified to compete in the Finals Round. These riders will compete in the finals as follows:

Qualification Eliminations	Top 13 Final E	limination			Top 6 Finals		
4 Eliminations Max 48 rider 4 heat classic elimination format 1 discard	Round 1 10 rider Top 2 to R4 3-12 to R2	Round 2 8 rider Top 2 to R4 3-10 to R3	Round 3 6 rider Top 2 to R4 3-6 eliminated	Round 4 6 rider Top 3 to QF 4-6 eliminated	Quarter Final 6 rider	Semi Final 4 rider	Final 4 rider
Top 3 get seeded in Quarter Final 4-13 get seeded in Round 1	4th QElim 5th QElim 6th QElim 7th QElim 8th QElim 9th QElim 10th QElim 12th QElim 12th QElim	3rd R1 4th R1 5th R1 6th R1 7th R1 8th R1 9th R1 10th R1	3rd R2 4th R2 5th R2 6th R2 7th R2 8th R2	1st R1 2nd R1 1st R2 2nd R2 1st R3 2nd R3	1st QElim 2nd QElim 3rd QElim 1st R4 2nd R4 3rd R4	3rd QFinal 4th QFinal 5th QFinal 6th QFinal	1st QFinal 2nd QFinal 1st SFinal 2nd SFinal

The top 13 male sailors will stop using the points system in the finals and will occupy their final position in the 7 heats that compose the Final Elimination according the table above. The top 6 female sailors will qualify straight for the Quarterfinal of the Finals Elimination.

Scoring of Final Elimination:

Top 3 male and Top 6 female sailors are qualified straight for the Quarter Final.

Round 1:

Sailors ranked 4-13 from the previous qualifying eliminations are starting in Round 1. The Top 2 finishers from Round 1 go straight to Round 4. The other 8 sailors start in Round 2.

Round 2:

8 Sailors finishing 3-10 from Round 1 start in Round 2. The Top 2 finishers from Round 2 go straight to Round 4. The other 6 sailors start in Round 3.

Round 3:

6 Sailors finishing 3-8 from Round 2 start in Round 3. The Top 2 finishers from Round 3 go to Round 4 and the other 4 sailors finishing 3-6 will take their final ranking in the event according to the table below.

Round 4:

The Top2 sailors from Round 1, 2 and 3 start in Round 4. The Top 3 finishers from Round 4 go to the Quarter Finals and the other 3 sailors finishing 4-6 will take their final ranking in the event according to the table below.



Quarter Final:

The Top 3 male and the Top 6 female sailors from the 4 classic Qualifying Eliminations including 1 discard and the Top 3 male sailors from the Round 4 of the Final Elimination start in the Quarter Finals. The top 2 finishers go straight to the Final and the other 4 sailors finishing 3-6 go to the Semi Final.

Semi Final:

4 Sailors finishing 3-6 from Quarter Final start in the Semi Final. The Top 2 finishers from the Semi Final go to the Final and the other 2 sailors finishing 3 and 4 will take their final ranking in the event according to the table below.

Final:

The Top 2 sailors from the Quarter Final and the Top 2 sailors from the Semi Final will start in the Final. The finishing position in the final will determine their final rankinhg according to the table below.

FreeFly-Slalom Final Elimination Scoring		
Round	Finishing Position	Final Ranking
Round 3	3, 4, 5, 6	10, 11, 12, 13
Round 4	4, 5, 6	7, 8, 9
Semi Final	3, 4	5, 6
Final	1, 2, 3, 4	1, 2, 3, 4

In the case of a tie-break during the finals, the position from the 4 classic qualification eliminations with one discard will break the tie.

Premature starts (PMS) on any round of the Final Elimination can create empty spots on the following rounds.

All rounds of the Final Elimination need to be completed for a valid result according to the Finals Elimination scoring. In the case of not finishing the complete Finals Eliminations, the 4 classic qualifying eliminations will compose the final ranking.

Rulebook

The "GWA Wingfoil World Tour Rulebook 2024" will soon be available for download on the official GWA Wingfoil World Tour website.

GWA Wingfoil World Tour

As a competitor, I agree to respect the racing rules and in particular:

- to display visibly the sailing-number attributed to me.
- to always wear the official event-competition-lycra when proceeding to the water (also during training) as well as during interviews, official presentations and on podium.
- to wear a life jacket and safety helmet during the competition,
- to follow the recommendations and/or instructions provided by the crew.
- to always place board stickers (GWA Wingfoil World Tour & Event sponsor) on the top and on the bottom of the board during the event (competitions, interviews, media conferences, award ceremony...).



- to take note that all rider meetings, opening/closing ceremonies, and media conferences requested by the Event Organizer are mandatory to all riders. I assure you that I'll be on time and ready.
- I'm aware that a non-observance of this rule will incur a fine of up to 500 USD. Any competitor
 finishing in the top 3 positions who fails to attend the awards ceremony on time without
 being justified by a force of major circumstance will incur a fine equal to their earned prize
 money for the event. Furthermore, fine can incur an additional penalty of up to 1.000 USD and
 suspension for the next event.

Covid-19 Pandemic Disclaimer

Every competitor must be aware of the Covid-19 pandemic situation and its changing restrictions and regulations on travel protocols and event regulations. In case the event will be cancelled because of reasons not under the responsibility of the GWA, the GKA Event GmbH and/or the Organizer, neither the GWA, nor the GKA Event GmbH, nor the Organizer can be hold legally responsible for any financial losses.

The rider is aware about the global Covid-19 pandemic, which might cause travel restrictions, the changing of laws and custom-procedures worldwide on very short notice. Each rider takes part in the event at his or her own risk, which includes also all travels because of his or her participation at this event. Each rider is responsible for ensuring and fulfilling all relevant individual travel requirements as well as fulfilling all legal requirements for border controls, which are necessary for the participation in the event and for the return home. The GWA, the GKA Event GmbH and the event Organizer cannot be held legal and/or financial liable by the rider for damage and/or financial losses caused by travel restrictions, quarantine measures, flight changes or flight cancellations, tests required for entering or exit countries or because of any other regional, national or international measures associated with the Covid-19 Pandemic.

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