



# **NOTICE OF RACE**

## **The Aruba Hi-Winds 2025 PWA Youth and Junior Slalom World Cup**

May 28 – June 2, 2025

Organized by  
The Aruba Hi-Winds Committee

## Rules Sanction and Status

This event is governed by the Professional Windsurfers Association (PWA) Rulebook and is sanctioned by the PWA as a Youth Junior World Cup status event as part of the 2025 PWA World Tour.

Racing will be run on the "No Rules" principal as usual at PWA events.

## Changes to PWA Rule Book

Changes to the PWA rule book that will apply to the 2025 PWA Youth & Junior Slalom World Cup can be found here -> [PWA Rule changes. https://nor.pwaworldtour.com/Rule\\_changes.htm](https://nor.pwaworldtour.com/Rule_changes.htm)

Any rules contained in the Notice of Race supersede the Rule Book and Rule changes.

## Competition Details

The competition is a Youth Junior Slalom World Cup that will take place at Fisherman's Huts, Aruba.

Registration will take place at 15.00 on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the event site.

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/Ay5JjN422MLztWwr6>

Equipment Registration will take place during the same period. All competitors should complete the PWA Equipment Registration form in advance of the event here

<https://forms.gle/wVaVmnaQkentNUMf7>

The first skippers meeting will be at 09.00 on the 29<sup>th</sup> May with the first possible start at 14.00. The final day of competition will be 1<sup>st</sup> June.

## Disciplines

- Fin Slalom
- Foil Slalom

## Equipment Limitations

- Fin Slalom: 3 boards, 5 sails (max. board width 85 cm, max sail size 9.0 m<sup>2</sup>)
- Foil Slalom: 1 board, 4 sails (max. board width 100.5 cm except under 21 division for which the maximum width will be 91cm, maximum sail size 9.0 m<sup>2</sup>), 3 front wings, 2 tail wings, one mast, 2 fuselage.

Competitors in the under 21 division may only use boards and sails from the PWA registered equipment lists, which can be found [HERE](#)

Any exceptions to these rules must be approved in advance in writing by the PWA.

All competitors should register their equipment in advance here <https://forms.gle/Z8xC11nNsJxx7UgR6>

\*Please note - Registered Equipment lists are subject to final confirmation.

## Age Divisions

JUNIOR U17

– Competitors under 17 years of age at 31st of December in the year of competition.

JUNIOR U21

- Competitors under 21 years of age at 31st of December in the year of competition.

ID must be checked at registration. For example, competing in U21 you must be 20 until 31st December of that year. Registration is done on a first come first served basis. An entry is only valid when payment is received.

## Seedings

#### Seeding for First Elimination:

- Based on:
- Previous year's PWA results
- Current year PWA events
- Previous IFCA results

#### Minimum Entry Requirements:

- 6 riders per category/gender = their own heats
- If 5 or fewer riders:
- They race with the next age group or gender
- Their results will be extracted separately
- No cross-category points/podiums:
- U17 cannot score or podium in U21, even if racing together
- Girls cannot score or podium in Boys divisions, even if racing together

#### World Ranking Points:

- Minimum 3 competitors are required in the age group to be eligible for world ranking points.

#### Ranking & Events:

Best 3 results count from the following events:

- Aruba
- Bonaire
- Klitmøller
- Turkey
- Miami

#### PWA Overall Trophy Eligibility:

- Only U21 Slalom division will be awarded an overall trophy at the end of the year.

#### Equipment Registration (Slalom Only):

U21 - Mandatory for U21 competitors only.  
U17 are not required to register equipment.

Registration is per event, not for the full season.

#### Fin Setup Limits:

- 5 sails
- 3 boards

#### Foil Setup Limits:

- 4 sails
- 1 board
- 1 mast
- 3 front wings
- 2 fuselages
- 2 back wings

#### General Rules:

- ID must be presented at registration to verify age.
- First come, first served for entry - payment confirms your spot

## **Mandatory Safety Equipment**

All competitors in the Slalom discipline must wear a suitable helmet and impact vest. The helmet must provide protection to the head and the impact vest must provide protection for the upper torso. Items required under this rule must be commercially available products designed for the purpose. In the event of any doubt about the suitability of protective equipment under these rules, the PWA Race Committee shall have the final decision.

## **Advertising**

According to PWA Rules, competitors will be required to carry sail stickers and wear advertising vests. All other advertising on sails and boards will be according to PWA Advertising Rules.

## **Accommodation / Transfers / Air Travel**

Equipment transport will be provided for competitors gear from Aeropuerto Internacional Reina Beatrix. There will be no transport provided for competitors themselves.

Anyone requiring equipment transport should contact [info@arubahiwinds.com](mailto:info@arubahiwinds.com) with their flight information.

Accommodation information can be found at <https://www.arubahiwinds.com/accommodation/>

## **Storage and Facilities**

A secure storage area will be provided for competitors' equipment from 17.00 May 28<sup>th</sup>, until 10.00 June 2<sup>nd</sup>

There are outdoor showers on site

There will be a variety of food options for purchase on site, but all registered competitors will receive a free lunch and fruit each day.

## **Conditions**

Water temperature around 20°

Wind speed: winds can be between 10-30 knots.

## **Official Functions**

Opening Ceremony: 19.00 May 28<sup>th</sup> at the event site

Closing Ceremony: 19.00 June 2<sup>nd</sup> at the event site

## **Sail Numbers**

All sailors will be required to carry clearly legible sail numbers. These will be required for all disciplines and should be of a type such as those specified in the PWA Rulebook. Hand drawn numbers or numbers made of tape or stickers shall not be permitted. Sailors without suitable sail numbers may not be permitted to compete.

Sailors should be aware that they will be promoting the sport under public scrutiny. Any sail numbers, branding or other publicly viewable items or equipment, considered to be detrimental to the sport, the event or the PWA shall not be allowed. Suitability of such items shall be at the discretion of the PWA. Let's make sure it looks good for the crowd and media.

## **Advanced Entry Process**

Details of Registration and Entry Fees can be found at <https://www.arubahiwinds.com/registration/>

Pre-Registration **MUST** be done online.

Please note, that sailors must still attend the official registration on site – failure to attend the official event registration may result in them not being able to participate.

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