



038th Aruba Hi-Winds

May 13–18, 2026

Notice of Race – Slalom races (NON-PWA)

Wing / Windsurfing

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Aruba Hi-Winds 2026 is organized by the Aruba Hi-Winds Committee.

2. RULES

The event will be governed by:

- *Racing Rules of Sailing 2025–2028* (RRS).
 - Appendix B – Windsurfing Competition Rules.
 - This Notice of Race (NOR)
 - Any issued Sailing Instructions
 - PWA Class Rules.
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3. ELIGIBILITY & CATEGORIES

Fleets:

Racing will be for men and women in the following fleets:

- Windsurfing Fin
- Windsurfing Foil
- Wing-Foil

Age Divisions:

- Grand Masters (51+)
 - Masters (41–50)
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- Men / Women (21–40)
- Youth U21 (Wing-foil only! Windsurfing U21 slalom races under PWA).
- Divisions require a minimum of 5 competitors.
- Age categories are based on registrations.

Divisions and age categories will be merged if fewer than five participants have checked in.

Registration:

- Registration and payments through online event website. Registration must be completed before May 11th, 9:00 PM. (PWA riders will have an extra class registration to attend on May 14th, 6:00 PM for PWA Championship at the event site).
- Youth under 21 division will compete in separate PWA class divisions.
- Competitors under 18 must submit with signed parental consent.
- All competitors must be physically fit and capable of racing safely.
- Entry becomes valid only after completing online registration and payment.
- No entries will be accepted after 5:00 PM on registration day, unless approved by the Organizing Authority.

4. FORMAT

- Slalom elimination format.
- Multiple eliminations may be completed per day depending on conditions.
- A minimum of one completed elimination constitutes a series.

5. SCHEDULE

- Pick-up moment for official event lycra and goody bag will be on May 13, between 5:00 PM and 7pm.
- The official opening ceremony will be held on May 13th 7:00 PM.
- Skippers meetings for the slalom races will be posted daily on the ONB.





- First possible warning signal on Friday May 15th: 2:00 PM.
 - No warning signal after 6:00 PM on last day of the event.
 - The detailed heat schedule will be posted daily on the ONB.
 - Official Awards Ceremony: May 18th, 7:00 PM.
 - PWA Award Ceremony: Date and time will be announced on the ONB.
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6. VENUE

- Sarah-Quita Beach (Fisherman's Hut), Malmok Beach, Noord, Aruba.
 - Event office open May 13–18, 8:00 AM–7:00 PM.
 - Secure equipment storage available on the beach near event side between May 12th – 18th.
 - The Long Distance course area will be located offshore near event site and marked by buoys as described on the Official Notice board.
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7. EQUIPMENT & IDENTIFICATION

- Equipment must comply with RRS Appendix B
 - There are no limitations on board or sail size unless stated in the Sailing Instructions.
 - Event bibs must be worn if provided.
 - Competitors are responsible for the safety and seaworthiness of their equipment.
 - Windsurf: Clear visible and readable sail numbers with a minimum height of 230 mm are mandatory on both sides of the sail.
 - Wing: Official event BIB is mandatory and must be worn visible.
 - All competitors must wear official event lycra while racing.
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8. SCORING

- The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will apply.
 - One completed elimination is required to validate the event.
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- Discards will be applied as specified in the Sailing Instructions.
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9. PROTESTS

No formal protests. Disputes will be decided by the Race Officer.

10. SAFETY

- Impact vest and helmet are mandatory for all wing and foil categories and highly recommended for all other divisions.
 - All competitors must comply with safety instructions issued by the Race Committee.
 - Competitors shall render assistance if safe to do so.
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11. LIABILITY

- Competitors participate entirely at their own risk.
 - The Organizing Authority shall not be liable for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with the event.
 - The signed waiver forms part of the registration.
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