

# 12<sup>th</sup> Prokids Bonaire

July 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 2016

## Mega Sports Event (Freestyle & Slalom Competition)

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# Notice of Race

### 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The Bonaire Prokids is organized and hosted by the Stichting Aquaspeed Bonaire Windsurfers.

### 2. RULES

2.1 The 12<sup>th</sup> Prokids Bonaire Mega Sports Event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2012-2016. These include Appendix B (windsurfing competition rules), this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 Rules of local authorities like the Bonaire Marine Park will be applied as displayed on the Official Notice Board.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

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

- Slalom races
- Freestyle Competition

There is no restriction on equipment that may be used.

3.2 Within these fleets the following age categories (divisions) may be recognized:

- Baby 7 or under\*
- Super kids 9 or under\*
- Kids 13 or under\*
- Big Kids 15 or under\*
- Junior 18 or under\*
- Men 19 up\*
- women 19 up\*
- Master 35 up\*

\*On the day of registration (June 3<sup>rd</sup>)

3.3 Entries should be made in advance by completing the pre-entry form alternatively entries can be made on the day of registration.

3.4 All Competitors under the age of 18 are required to submit Parent/Guardian Declarations completed by the parents before commencing racing.

3.5 A competitor does not become eligible for series or event points by 'pre entering', but only by registering at the event and being capable of sailing and intending to do so.

3.6 Before competing, each competitor shall: register for the event at the race office and pay the required entry fee and complete, update or confirm an equipment registration form if required.

3.7 No entry will be accepted after 09:00 on the first scheduled day of racing, except at the discretion of the organizing committee.

3.8 Entry fee is \$30 for 13 years and up and for youth/kids 12 years and under \$20.

#### **4. REGISTRATION / BRIEFING**

Competitors shall confirm entry details with the Registration team by 09:00 on the first morning of racing. Heat numbers will be posted on the ONB before racing commences. There will be a welcome and briefing for all competitors each morning of racing at 09:00.

#### **5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be downloadable from the Prokids 2016 event website within 5 days before the start of the event and will be posted on the Official Notice Board events (<http://www.prokidsfreestyle.com>). Questions at the event should be written down and given to the race committee who will post answers on the ONB.

#### **6. EVENT SCHEDULE**

6.1 The event Registration desk is located near the office at the event site and will be open on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 16:00 till 19:00.

6.2 There will be no maximum number of races per day. The warning signal for the first race on the first day will not be before Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 10.00.

6.3 There shall be no warning signal after 17.00 on the last day of the event.

6.4 The Schedule of races and distribution of heats will be posted at least one (1) hour before the first start of that day.

6.5 The schedule of races may be varied due to weather or wind conditions. Changes in the schedule of races will be posted on the ONB at least 30 minutes before the 1<sup>st</sup> race on which it will be effective.

## **7. SCORING**

The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. Each Board's series score will be the total of his/her race scores with his/her worst score discarded after three (3) or more rounds are completed. After seven (7) or more race two (2) of his/her worst scores will be discarded. And after ten (10) or more race three (3) of his/her worst scores will be discarded.

## **8. COURSES**

8.1 The racing area(s) and the courses will be as illustrated on the ONB. The course diagram, start and finish, (not to scale) will be posted at least 1 (one) hour before the first race of that day on the ONB before the start.

## **9. OBLIGATIONS**

9.1 To display clearly readable sail numbers on each sail and on each side of the sail, preferably in large black letters and numbers. Racing without numbers or without readable numbers on the sail(s) will result in not being scored as finished. Changes in sail numbers should be announced to the race officials; if not, this will result in not being scored as finished.

9.2 While racing, competitors shall, for the duration of the event, wear the event jersey provided by the organization. If competitor's jersey is lost or stolen, competitor must acquire a new one at retail cost.

## **10. PROTESTS**

There will be no possibility to file protests. Any conflicts between competitors arisen during the competition should be submitted to the Race Director and will be settled by his decision.

## **11. SAFETY**

Parents or guardians of minors have their responsibility for their children and to make the decision as to whether he or she is fit to sail in the conditions that prevail or are forecast. And if necessary advise their children to wear a buoyancy aid or life jacket to an appropriate standard when afloat.

## **10. DISCLAIMER**

The organizing authority and any other party involved in the organization and conduct of the Stichting Aquaspeed Bonaire Windsurfers disclaims any liability for personal injury, personal or material damage whatsoever, sustained prior to, during or after the Prokids Bonaire.