



ICE & SNOW SAILING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SWEDEN 2026

VÄSTERÅS 16-21 FEBRUARY

NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (NoR/SI)

To be supplemented by Local Sailing Instructions (LSI)

Initial Version: 22 November 2025

1 DATE AND VENUE

Venue	Organizing Authority	Dates
Västerås, Sweden	Local Organisation Committee JKV Sällskapet Skridskoseglarna Visit Västerås Under the authority of the World Ice and Snow Sailing Association (WISSA)	16 - 21 Feb 2026

If the event is cancelled, any paid entry fees will be refunded, apart from a 10% administrative charge.

The organizing authority will not be liable for any other expenses incurred.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, applies.
- 2.3 For the Kite events, [RRS Appendix F](#) applies.
- 2.4 For the Wing events, RRS Appendix WF applies. The current version is published on the World Sailing website, [\[Link\]](#)
- 2.5 For the Winter Windsurf events, RRS Appendix B as changed by the WINTER WINDSURFING RULES WWR6.2 published on the official notice board [\[Link\]](#)
- 2.6 No national prescriptions apply. The event is run without any additional rules issued by the national authority.
- 2.7 Local Sailing Instructions (LSI) will be published no later than on the day before the first warning signal and may change or supplement rules in these NoR/SIs. In case of a conflict between the NOR/SI and the LSI, the LSI will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.5(c).
- 2.8 In all rules governing the event,
 - a The terms 'rider', 'competitor' and 'athlete' mean a person competing, or intending to compete, in the event;
 - b [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee or technical committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.
 - c [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protest by a competitor and for which the protest committee may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1 and 63.2(a).
- 2.9 Adding RRS 61.4(b) (6): "The action, failure, or presence of any unmanned aircraft (drone) or other flying device operated in connection with the event shall not be grounds for redress."
- 2.10 For the Course Racing and Marathon format: RRS B.31 is deleted. Competitors and their equipment shall not touch a mark.
- 2.11 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 EVENTS, QUOTAS AND ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The Organizing Authority is committed to gender-equality principles. All disciplines in this event shall provide equal opportunities for male and female competitors.

There will be competition in the following events:

Event	Class	Divisions
Kite Course Race	Ski (no differentiation for kite type)	Overall, women, U17, U24, Master, Grand Master, Veteran
Kite Course Race	Snowboard (no differentiation for kite type)	Overall, women, U17, U24, Master, Grand Master, Veteran
Wing Course Race	No differentiation for wing type	Overall, women, U17, U24, Master, Grand Master, Veteran
Sled Course Race	Sled Course Race refers to the SLED class defined in WWR 6.2 rule 1.1.	Overall, women, U17, U24, Master, Grand Master, Veteran
Wing STS	No differentiation for wing type	Overall, women, U17, U24, Master, Grand Master, Veteran
STS-sleds STS	STS-sleds refers to STS-SLEDs as defined in WWR 6.2 rule 1.2.	Overall, women, U17, U24, Master, Grand Master, Veteran
GPS Speed	Kite, wing, sleds	Overall, women

STS

For the purpose of age divisions, a competitor's age on 31 December 2026 shall be used. There will be competition in the following age categories:

Age Category	Description
U17 (Junior)	Competitors who will be 16 years old or younger on 31 December 2026.
U24	Competitors who will be 23 years old or younger on 31 December 2026
Masters	Competitors who will be 40 years old or older on 31 December 2026
Grand Masters	Competitors who will be 50 years old or older on 31 December 2026
Veterans	Competitors who will be 60 years old or older on 31 December 2026

There will be no age division in the GPS Speed discipline.

3.2 A minimum of 15 entries is required to establish an event. The Organizing Authority may cancel an event if the minimum quota has not been confirmed and paid 14 days before the on-site registration day of the event. Competitors will be notified of event cancellation by email and posting on the event website. Entry fees will be refunded apart from a 10% administrative charge. Exceptions to this quota may be made at the discretion of the organizing authority.

3.3 A minimum of 5 entries is required to establish a division. Exceptions to this quota may be made at the discretion of the organizing authority.

3.4 On 1 March 2022 World Sailing published the following recommendations in reaction to the situation in Ukraine. [\[link\]](#). To help preserve the integrity and safety of the event, entries shall not be open to competitors and support persons holding only Russian or Belarussian nationality.

3.5 Each athlete shall be a national of the country they represent.

4 ENTRY, REGISTRATION AND FEES

4.1 Competitor registrations shall be made through
<https://isswc.com/registration>

4.2 Registration fees per competitor excluding any applicable credit card or bank fees, are as follows:

ENTRY	Entry fee U17 and U24	Entry fee adults
Early Bird entry before 21 December 2025	200 EUR	250 EUR
Standard entry before 15 January 2026	250 EUR	300 EUR
Late Bloomer entry from 15 January 2026	300 EUR	350 EUR

Entry fees are not refundable except if the event is cancelled

In order to qualify for the above entry fees, they must be fully paid by the end of each entry period.

4.3 Competitors shall provide the following documentation prior to completing registration formalities on site:

- Proof of nationality;
- Proof of age;
- Parental/legal guardian consent - for those under the age of 18; to be presented on-site

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 The schedule will be as follows (all times are local):

Date	Activity	Time
15 February 2026	Arrival, venue opens	
16 February 2026	On-Site Registration	1200-1600
	Speed competition opens	1200
	Opening Ceremony	1800
17 February 2026	On-Site Registration	0800-0930
17-21 February 2026	Skippers meeting	1000
	First possible signal	1100
21 February 2026	Prize Giving	TBC

5.2 There will be a competitors' briefing 60 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal of each day in the JKV clubhouse.

5.3 Any change to the times of the first warning signal will be posted no later than 2100 on the previous evening of any race affected.

5.4 Not more than a total of 6 course races or 12 short track slalom races per fleet will be sailed per day.

5.5 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500.

6 FORMAT AND SCORING

6.1 One race for all fleets is required to be completed to constitute an event.

6.2 The scheduled number of races per event is:

Discipline	Event	Number of Races
Course Racing	Kite, Sled, Wing	Up to 26
STS	STS-Sled, Wing	Up to 50
Marathon	Kite, Sled, Wing	1
GPS-Speed	Kite, Sled, Wing	not applicable

6.3 Division rankings (if any) will be established by simple extraction from the overall standings.

6.4 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a competitor may submit a scoring enquiry through the online event platform [\[link\]](#)

6.5 **Course Racing**

- a Course Racing is a single series.
- b The winner of a race will score 0.7 points. This changes RRS A4
- c A competitor's series score will be the total of their race scores except that:
 - when from 3 to 6 races have been completed her worst score will be excluded;
 - when from 7 to 10 races have been completed her two worst scores will be excluded;

- when from 11 to 15 races have been completed her three worst scores will be excluded;
- when from 16 to 20 races have been completed her four worst scores will be excluded and so on with 1 discard for every 5 races.

This changes RRS A2.

6.6 Marathon

The Marathon is a single race.

6.7 STS

- a The format of STS is described in the WWR
- b The winner of a race will score 0.7 points. This changes RRS A4
- c A competitor disqualified in the STS race gets points as last in her heat.
- d A competitor's series score will be the total of their race scores except that:
 - when from 4 to 6 races have been completed her worst score will be excluded;
 - when from 7 to 10 races have been completed her two worst scores will be excluded;
 - when from 11 to 15 races have been completed her three worst scores will be excluded;
 - when from 16 to 20 races have been completed her four worst scores will be excluded and so on with 1 discard for every 5 races.

This changes RRS A2.

6.8 GPS-Speed

- a Tracks recorded on a 1x10s recording mode, will be ranked from fastest to slowest.
- b To enter this competition, competitors shall record their tracks and upload to the event application before 2100 on Friday 20 February. Details for uploading will be detailed in the LSIs
- c Tracks may be recorded from 1200 on Monday 16 February to 1700 on Friday 20 February and only during daylight hours, 0700 to 1700. Recording may not start or end outside the eligible time.

7 COURSES AND RACING AREAS

- 7.1 The diagrams in Addendum 1 show the courses, the course designations, the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2 The diagram in Addendum 2 shows the venue
- 7.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee starting station will display the course to be sailed.
- 7.4 If mark P is not set, it shall be disregarded.
- 7.5 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 7.6 Courses will not be changed. This changes RRS 33.

8 STARTING AND FINISHING

- 8.1 To alert competitors that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least two (2) minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 8.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 8.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee position and either:
 - a the course side of the port-end inflatable mark, or
 - b a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee position on the port end.
- 8.4 A competitor starting later than 1 minute after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2
- 8.5 [NP] [DP] When a starting sequence is in progress, competitors whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is defined as an area 50 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- 8.6 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag and the course side of the nearby finishing mark or flag.
- 8.7 [NP] [DP] Competitors that have finished shall sail clear of the finish area.

9 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

9.1 Time limits and target times, in minutes, are as follows:

	Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
Course Race	15	30	10
Marathon	60	90	30
STS	3	6	2

9.2 Competitors not finishing within the Finishing Window (time after the first competitor starts, sails the course and finishes) will be scored Did not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2

10 [NP] [DP] [SP] IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

When provided by the organizing authority, competitors shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:

- a Competition bibs for all competitors with an individually assigned competition number, worn as intended over all other clothing and equipment at any race time;
- b Event leader bibs, worn as intended over all other clothing and equipment at any time race time;
- c Event advertising and look of the event;
- d Tracking, timing and digital officiating equipment.

11 COMMUNICATION

- 11.1 The official notice board and event management system for requests is online [\[Link\]](#)
- 11.2 Complementary information may be sent through the event's telegram group at [\[Link\]](#)
- 11.3 The location of the official flagpole will be described in the LSI.
- 11.4 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

12 CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the NoR/SI and the LSI will be posted 30 minutes before it will take effect.

13 [NP] [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

- 13.1 Competitors and support persons shall:
 - a comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Non-compliance may be misconduct.
 - b not in any way interfere with the functionality of supplied media or timing equipment.
- 13.2 Competitors not racing shall remain clear of areas where competitors are racing or rigging their equipment and any official position. Wings and sleds, racing or not, shall respect the kite rigging zone with a safety margin.

14 [NP] [DP] [SP] EQUIPMENT

- 14.1 Equipment may be checked and measured at any time during the event.
- 14.2 A competitor may be instructed by a race official to proceed immediately to a designated area for equipment inspection.
- 14.3 Between races, competitors may change equipment in the designated rigging and launching area.
- 14.4 Helmets shall be worn while racing.
- 14.5 Spikes or other devices attached under shoes for adding grip are forbidden. A competitor violating this rule will be disqualified without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.

15 HEARING REQUESTS AND PENALTIES

- 15.1 Hearing request forms are available through the online event platform [[link](#)].
- 15.2 The protest time limits will be described in the LSI.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held beginning at the time and location posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 15 minutes before the end of the protest time limit.
- 15.4 Penalties for breaches of RRS 50, RRS 78.1, class rules, or rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP], should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the protest committee.
- 15.5 For breaches of NoR/SI marked [SP], or breaches of RRS 50 in conjunction with Class Rules the race committee or technical committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing to the race(s) closest in time to the incident. The scores of other competitors shall not be changed; therefore, two competitors may receive the same score. However, the race committee or technical committee may protest a competitor when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A competitor that has been penalized with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another competitor nor can another competitor request redress for this race committee or technical committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 61.1(a) and Appendix A5.1.
- 15.6 RRS 61.2(b)(2) and 63.7(b) also apply on the last day of the Qualifying Series and the last day of the Opening Series.
- 15.7 **Short Track Racing**
 - a. For STS racing, WWR 6.2 rule 11 applies. This replaces the protest and redress procedures of RRS Part 5 and rule 62 for all STS incidents.

- b. Field-of-play penalties. A referee may penalize a competitor in accordance with WWR 6.2 rule 11.3–11.5. A competitor who is penalized by a referee shall promptly retire from the heat.
- c. Immediate objections only to the Referee. A competitor may, immediately after finishing a heat, raise an objection concerning an on-water incident to the Referee or request clarification of a referee decision.
- d. Final decision before next start. The Chief STS Referee shall decide any such objection before the start of the next heat. This decision is final and shall not be protested or reopened.
- e. No hearings by the Protest Committee. The Protest Committee shall not conduct hearings, accept protests, or consider requests for redress relating to STS incidents, referee decisions, or actions taken under WWR 6.2 rule 11.
- f. This changes RRS Part 5 and RRS 62.1.

16 [NP][DP] PRIZES, VICTORY CEREMONY

- 16.1 The designation of the Ice and Snow Sailing World Champion 2026 will be presented to the top male and top female competitor in: Course Racing, Marathon, STS and Speed.
- 16.2 Prizes will be awarded to three top competitors in each class.
- 16.3 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

17 [NP] [DP] INSURANCE

- 17.1 Competitors are strongly advised to hold valid third-party liability insurance covering their participation in ice and snow sailing activities.
- 17.2 The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

18 DOPING CONTROL

Competitors are reminded of the World Sailing rules and regulations concerning the use of banned methods and substances, which are contained in the World Sailing Anti-Doping Code. Drug testing may take place during this event.

19 RISK STATEMENT

19.1 In cases of force majeure or on grounds of administrative orders or for safety reasons, the organizing authority is entitled to make changes in the realization of the event or to cancel the event. This does not constitute any liability by the organizer towards the participant, if the reasons for the changes or the cancellation do not result from a wilful or grossly negligent behaviour of the organizer.

19.2 In case of a violation of obligations that do not constitute primary or material contractual duties (cardinal obligations), the liability of the organizer for financial and property damages incurred by the participant during or in connection with the participation in the event and resulting from a conduct of the organizer, the involved classes and their representatives, servants or agents (including but not limited to race committee, protest committee and technical committee), is restricted to damages that were caused wilfully or grossly negligent. When a violation of cardinal obligations occurs due to minor negligence, the liability of the organizer is limited to foreseeable, typical damages.

19.3 Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 3, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- They acknowledge that there are risks involved in the Event. They fully realise the dangers of participating in the Event, and fully assume the risks associated with their participation and their wellbeing and safety during and after the Event.
- They understand and acknowledge that the Event organisers (including all officials and event volunteers) provide no warranties, regarding their wellbeing and safety.
- They acknowledge that participating in this event may involve a test of a person's physical and mental limits and carries with it the potential for death, serious injury, and property loss. The risks include, but are not limited to, those caused by the elements, facilities, temperature, weather, condition of participants, equipment, vehicular traffic, lack of hydration, and actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, officials, and/or producers of the event.
- They agree that to the extent permissible by law, World Sailing, the International Kiteboarding Association, WISSA, their classes, the event organisers (including all officials and event volunteers), IKA, WISSA, the sponsors and other parties associated with the Event, have no liability to them whatsoever for any direct or indirect loss, (including, but not limited to injury or death) sustained by them during or in any way related to their participation in the Event.
- They WAIVE, RELEASE, AND DISCHARGE from any and all liability, including but not limited to, liability arising from the negligence or fault of the entities or persons released, for their death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or actions of any kind which may hereafter occur to them including their traveling to and from this event, THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES OR PERSONS: World Sailing, The International Kiteboarding Association, WISSA, their classes, the event organisers (including all officials and event volunteers), IKA, WISSA, the sponsors and other parties associated with the Event, employees, volunteers,

representatives, and agents, and the event holders, sponsors, and volunteers;

- They INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE the entities or persons mentioned in the above paragraphs from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this event, whether caused by the negligence of release or otherwise.
- They have taken medical advice on any pre-existing medical conditions and confirm that it is medically safe for them to participate in the Event.
- They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their equipment and their other property at any time.
- They are satisfied that their equipment is in good order, equipped to compete in the event and they are fit to participate;
- They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- They consent to receive medical treatment which may be deemed advisable in the event of injury, accident, and/or illness during this event.
- They acknowledge that the provision of a race management and rescue team, judges, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- They acknowledge that the provision of rescue craft cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- Participants are made aware that small unmanned aircrafts (drones) may fly over them and operate in close vicinity to them.

20 [NP] [DP] [SP] MEDIA RIGHTS

- 20.1 By participating in the event, competitors and support persons automatically grant to the organizing authority, IKA, WISSA, all involved classes, their sponsors and World Sailing, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during and after the period of the event without compensation.
- 20.2 Competitors shall comply with the Athlete Media Guide (AMR). The AMR will include further information on television production, press conferences, interviews, mixed zones, and promotion of the event.

21 DATA PROTECTION AND PRIVACY

With registration the competitor or support person agrees on data usage as defined in this data protection and privacy notice.

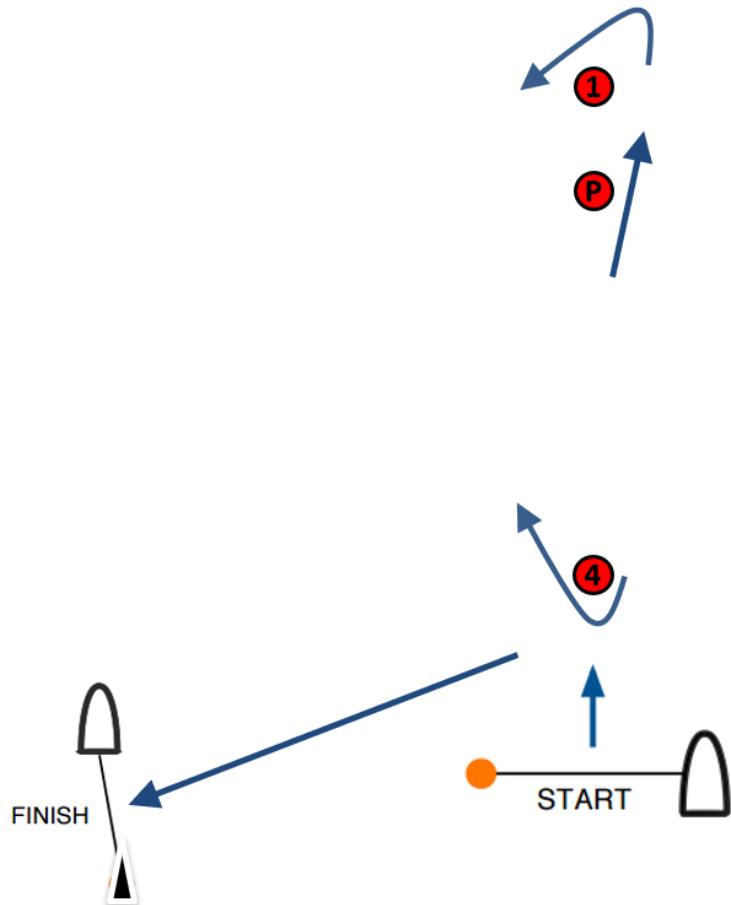
Reference is made to data protection of personal information and data. Any personal information and data given to the organizers will be used only as follows:

- a All data regarding participating athletes and their equipment will be processed and archived for the purpose of this event and events of similar nature that might be of interest to the participant.

- b Personal information contains the participant's real name, date of birth, home club, boat type, boat number, address data, mobile phone, email address and emergency contact information. In particular, results, calculatory and visual analyses, position monitoring and race analyses will be published with reference to the competitors' names.

ADDENDUM 1

COURSE DIAGRAMS

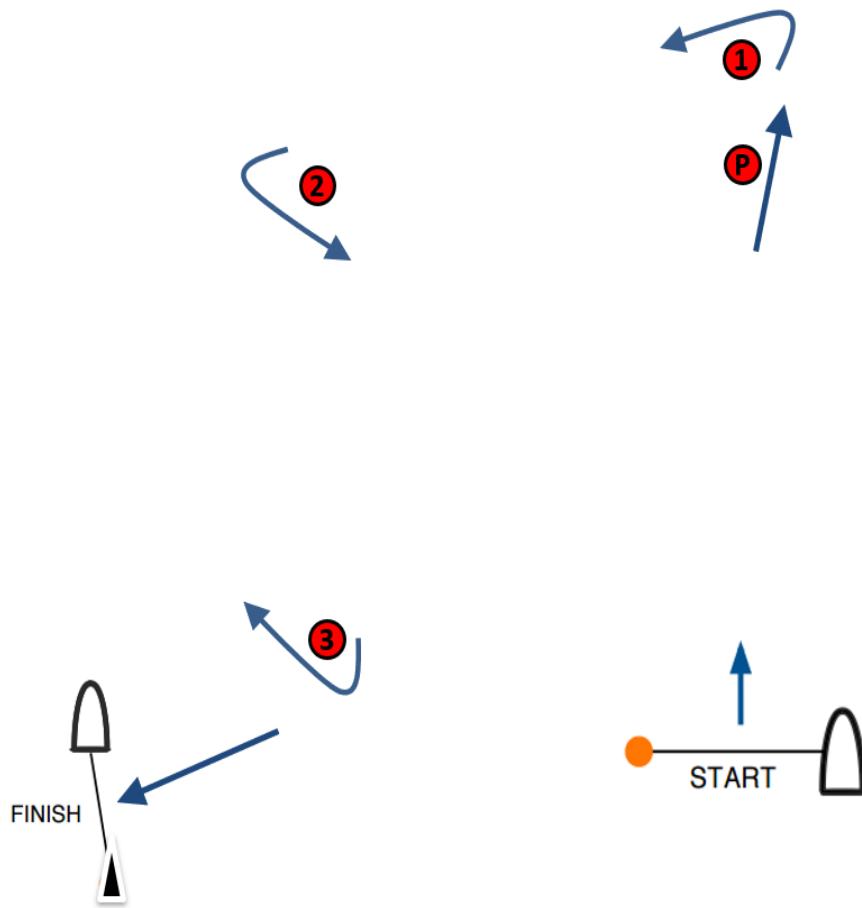


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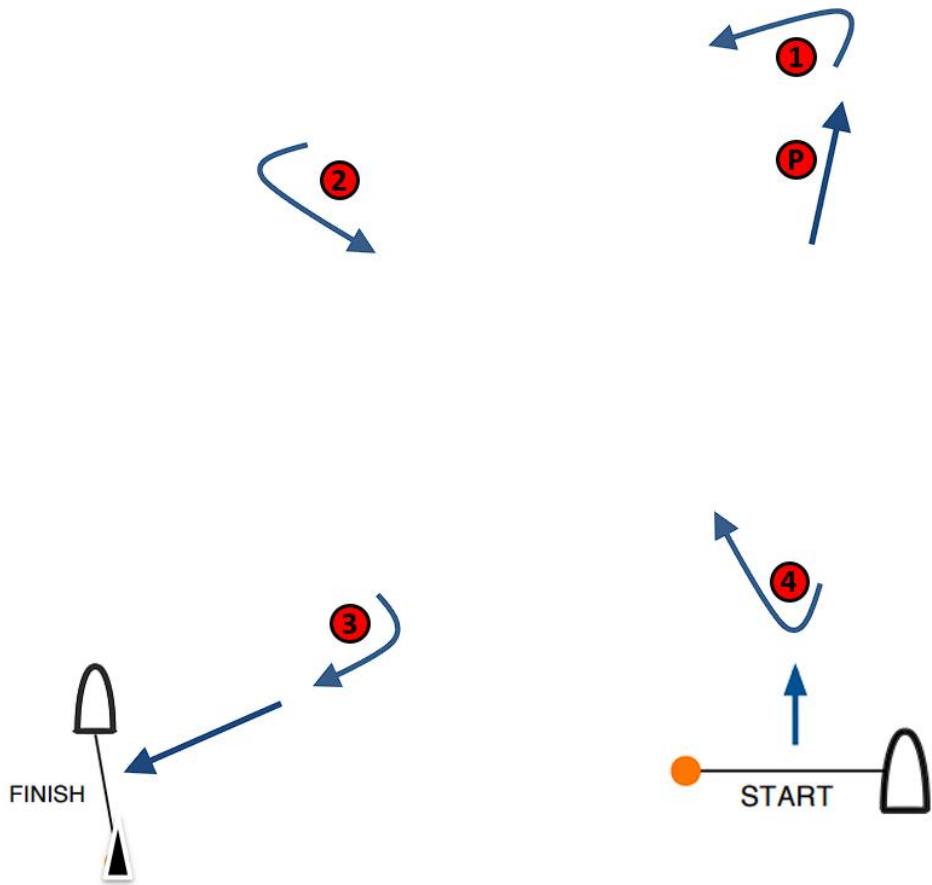


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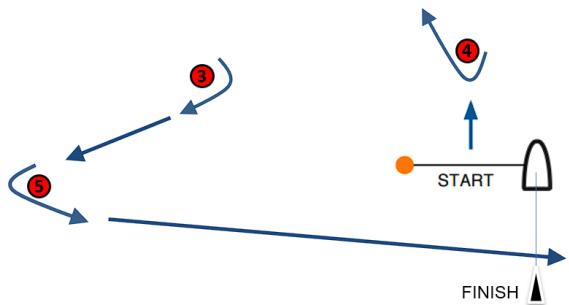
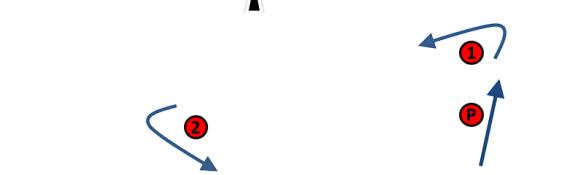
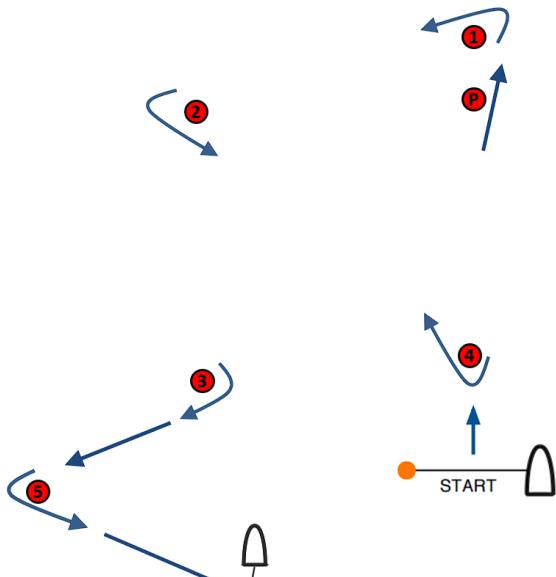
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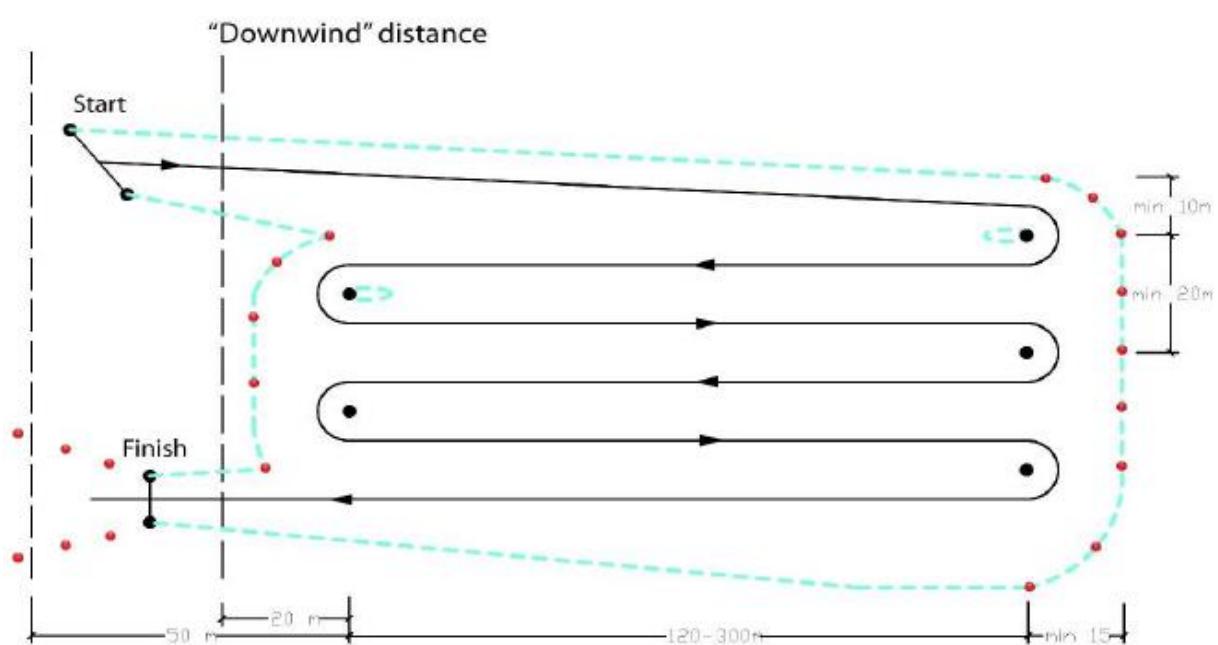
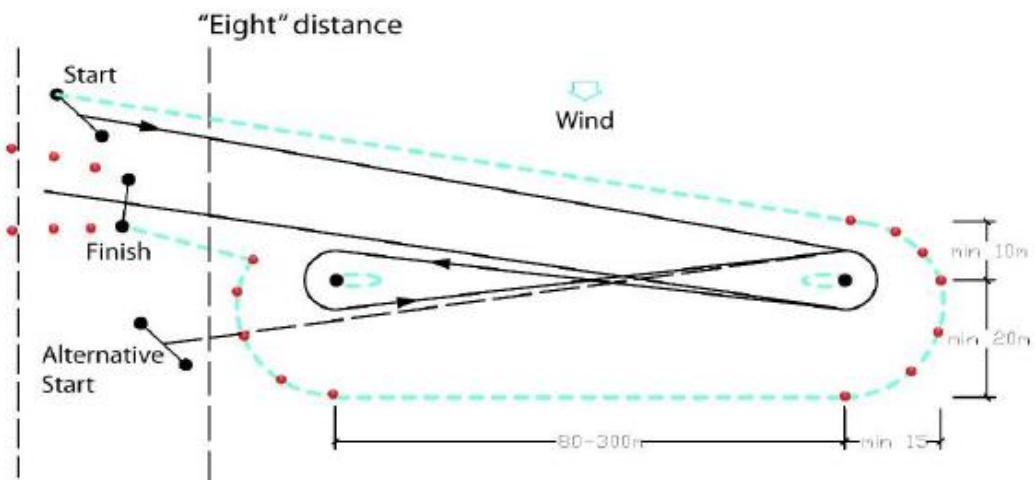
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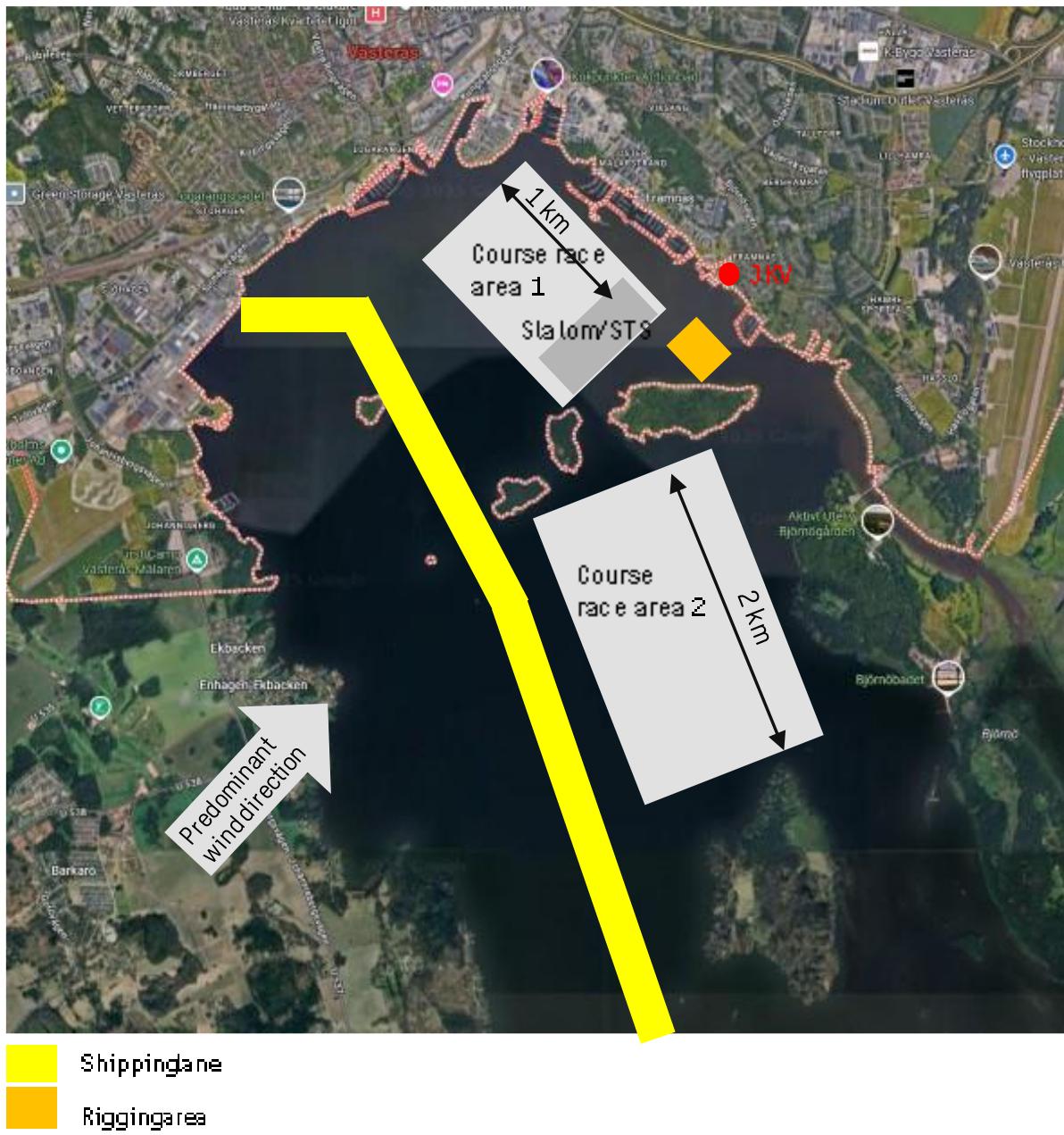
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ADDENDUM 2

VENUE



- SW is the prevailing wind direction throughout the year