



XXV Central American and Caribbean Games Santo Domingo 2026 – Sailing Competition

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EQUIPMENT INSPECTION REGULATIONS

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1. GENERAL

- 1.1 All boats and equipment entered for the Santo Domingo 2026 Central American and Caribbean Games sailing competition shall be inspected in accordance with the relevant rules including Class Rules, Notice of Race (NOR), Sailing Instructions (SI) and Equipment Inspection Regulations (EIR), defined collectively as the event Equipment Rules (ER).
- 1.2 **[DP]** Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the boat park.
- 1.3 The Technical Committee (TC) is responsible for all equipment inspection functions. The chair of the TC may appoint one or more panels or persons to carry out the functions of the TC. The TC is the 'responsible authority' for the purposes of RRS 63.5(d) and it shall be the authority for determining if equipment complies with the event Equipment Rules and for interpreting the Class Rules during the Santo Domingo 2026 Central American and Caribbean Games sailing competition.
- 1.4 Only boats/boards and equipment that are entered in the competition may be kept in the boat park, except with prior written permission of the TC.
- 1.5 **[DP]** Once a boat or equipment has completed its pre-event equipment inspection, it shall be kept in its assigned place in the boat park with the following exceptions:
 - (a) if required to undertake approved repairs and maintenance,
 - (b) to get to the launching area after flag D is displayed over its event flag, or to go training as permitted by the schedule,
 - (c) or to return to the assigned place after racing or training.

When required for maintenance and/or to rig the boat, the boat may be moved within approximately 10 meters of the assigned place. A boat or equipment shall not be taken to any other place except with prior written permission of the TC for repairs. This rule does not apply to **portable** and **personal equipment** as defined in the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS).

- 1.6 Each boat is required to comply with RRS 78.1 and the Event Equipment Rules from the time of its pre-event equipment inspection onward unless otherwise approved by the TC. In accordance with the Equipment Inspection policies, non-compliance may be protested and penalized as if it was discovered after one race.
- 1.7 The athletes shall be considered 'owners' and 'persons in charge' for the purpose of RRS 78.1.
- 1.8 **[DP]** All equipment and sails shall be certified and marked as required by the Class Rules from the time when they are presented for pre-event equipment inspection onward.
- 1.9 Any changes to these Equipment Inspection Regulations will be posted on the Official Notice Board in accordance with the provisions governing the posting of changes to the Sailing Instructions (SI).

2. [DP] EQUIPMENT LIMITATION MARKS

- 2.1 All items of equipment subject to event verification control shall be marked with the official event limitation marks at the time of pre-event equipment inspection. If a mark becomes unclear, insecure, or lost, this shall be reported to the TC before the next race so that the mark may be replaced before the next race or at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 2.2 Competitors shall sign a declaration of compliance prior to racing. Filling out and submitting an electronic form is an acceptable way of meeting this requirement.

3. [DP] REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 3.1 Unless otherwise stated in the ER, all repairs and replacements after completion of pre-event equipment inspection shall require prior written approval of the TC.
- 3.2 Equipment repair or replacement requests shall be made in writing through the website sailor's account or via the Event App.
- 3.3 Unless approved in writing in advance by the TC chair, repairs shall not be carried out in the equipment inspection areas.
- 3.4 No equipment shall be replaced or repaired ashore without prior written approval of the TC.
- 3.5 Equipment may not be replaced if it can be repaired in the time available before the next race, at the discretion of the TC.
- 3.6 Equipment may not be replaced unless it is either lost or severely damaged and it has not been mistreated, damaged, or lost in a deliberate manner.
- 3.7 Replacement parts shall comply with the Class Rules, carry all required identification, and be certified if required by the Class Rules.
- 3.8 Repairs or replacements required afloat shall be notified to the TC prior to the start of the next race. If there is no time to notify the TC prior to the start of the race, the repair or replacement shall be notified to the Race Committee or a member of the International Jury prior to the start of the next race.
- 3.9 Any repairs and/or replacements carried out afloat shall be reported ashore in writing to the TC within the protest time limit of that day and both the replacement part and replaced equipment shall be presented to verify compliance with the ER.

- 3.10 Replacement parts and any item that has been repaired, shall carry event limitation marks.
- 3.11 Approval of a replacement may be either permanent and affect all following races or temporary and be limited to several races while the replaced equipment is being repaired.
- 3.12 The re-use of replaced equipment that has subsequently been repaired shall require prior written approval of the TC. The re-use of equipment replaced afloat and subsequently repaired before the end of the day shall comply with the ER.

4. [DP] EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 4.1 Pre-event equipment inspection for each event will take place in accordance with the schedule in NOR 9.1 and the event-specific timetable.
- 4.2 Boats and equipment shall be presented for equipment inspection in a dry, clean, and salt and/or sand-free condition. All equipment shall have all event limitation stickers from previous events removed. Any item that is not in a suitable condition to the satisfaction of the TC may be rejected from inspection.
- 4.3 All boats/boards shall be presented for pre-event equipment inspection with all equipment as required or permitted by the Class Rules, including sails, personal flotation device(s), helmets, trapeze harness(es) where applicable and personal equipment items like watches any electronic devices permitted by the Class Rules.
- 4.4 Only one set of items of equipment that is to be inspected or controlled shall be presented for pre-event equipment inspection by an entry to the event. However, the TC may permit the substitution of a first item of equipment in the following cases:
 - (a) an item of equipment that fails to comply with the ER due to a serious issue like shape or construction that is a manufacturing defect; or
 - (b) an item of equipment which is too light, and which cannot be made to comply with the Class Rules using the maximum permitted amount of corrector weights.
- 4.5 Personal flotation devices shall comply with the respective Class Rules and their size shall be appropriate for the body type and size of the user. Where not specified in the Class Rules, personal flotation devices shall be in compliance with EN 393 or ISO 12402-5, level 50, or an equivalent.
- 4.6 At least one athlete and/or support team member shall be present at all times during equipment inspection. An interpreter may also be present when needed, if deemed necessary and approved by the TC.
- 4.7 At any time during racing days a boat may be informed by a TC member that it has been selected for equipment inspection. When so informed, the boat shall move directly as instructed to the indicated place at the racing area or at the venue.
- 4.8 When a boat has been informed that it has been selected for post-race inspection no person shall join or leave the boat without permission from the TC. No equipment or other item shall be taken on or off the boat without permission from the TC. The notified athletes shall not leave the equipment inspection area without the permission of the TC. After inspection of the athlete's clothing and/or equipment, at least one crew member or support team member shall remain present during the inspection of the boat. The TC may require the boat to be quarantined to perform the requested inspections.

5. ONBOARD EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE OA

- 5.1 Boats/boards may be required to carry equipment provided and installed by the Organizing Authority in accordance with the NOR.

- 5.2 To avoid entanglement with running rigging and sails only rope, elastic and/or adhesive tape may be attached to Organizing Authority equipment mounts and brackets, provided it does not interfere with the operation or field of view of the associated Organizing Authority onboard equipment.

6. BOAT AND EVENT-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

6.1 MEN AND WOMEN'S WINDSURFER

- 6.1.1 [SP] No later than 12:00 of the day when the pre-race inspection begins for that event each competitor shall complete an online Equipment Registration Form (ERF) facilitated by the Organizing Authority via the Official Notice Board. Only registered equipment shall be used at this Regatta.
- 6.1.2 Each boat shall be presented for the pre-race equipment inspection with all pre-registered equipment, helmet, impact vest, PFD if not integrated with impact vest, and harness. The board shall be presented without foot straps for the ease of weighing. The sail shall be presented with all battens.
- 6.1.3 The number of sails, hull appendages and spars which may be presented for the pre-race equipment inspection shall not exceed one sail, one foil mast, one fuselage, one front wing, one rear wing, one top mast, one bottom mast, one boom front section and one boom aft section.
- 6.1.4 [NP] If required by the TC, competitors shall produce proof that their impact vest is described by the manufacturer/brand as either an impact vest or a form of garment specifically designed to protect the wearer around the torso from impacts.

6.2 MEN'S KITE

- 6.2.1 [SP] No later than 12:00 of the day when the pre-race inspection begins for that event each competitor shall complete an online Equipment Registration Form (ERF) facilitated by the Organizing Authority via the Official Notice Board. Only registered equipment shall be used at this Regatta.
- 6.2.2 Each board shall be presented for the pre-race equipment inspection with all pre-registered equipment (kites, mast, glider board) and trapeze harness as well as helmet.
- 6.2.3 [NP] If required by the technical committee, competitors shall produce proof that their impact vest is described by the manufacturer/brand as either an impact vest or a form of garment specifically designed to protect the wearer around the torso from impacts.

6.3 MEN AND WOMEN'S 1-PERSON DINGHY

- 6.3.1 [SP] No later than 12:00 of the day when the pre-race inspection begins for that event each competitor shall complete an online Equipment Registration Form (ERF) facilitated by the Organizing Authority via the Official Notice Board. Only registered equipment shall be used at this Regatta.
- 6.3.2 For the pre-race equipment inspection, boats shall be presented with the bottom mast, boom and all control lines rigged, with the sail and top section de-rigged and tiller and centerboard disassembled from their position.

6.4 MIXED CATAMARAN

- 6.4.1 [SP] No later than 12:00 of the day when the pre-race inspection begins for that event each competitor shall complete an online Equipment Registration Form (ERF) facilitated by the Organizing Authority via the Official Notice Board. Only registered equipment shall be used at this Regatta.
- 6.4.2 Both crew members shall present themselves to the pre-race equipment inspection with clothing adequate for weigh-in in accordance with the Class Rules. Any crew corrector weights shall be presented separately.
- 6.4.3 For the pre-race equipment inspection, boats shall be presented with the mast, boom, sails and all

control lines rigged.

6.5 MEN AND WOMEN'S 1-PERSON REGIONAL DINGHY, MIXED 2-PERSON DINGHY AND REGIONAL DINGHY

- 6.5.1 [SP] No later than 12:00 of the day when the pre-race inspection begins for that event each competitor shall complete an online Equipment Registration Form (ERF) facilitated by the Organizing Authority via the Official Notice Board. Only registered equipment shall be used at this Regatta.
- 6.5.2 For the pre-race equipment inspection, boats shall be presented with the mast, boom and all control lines rigged, with the sails de-rigged and tiller and centreboard disassembled from their position.