



2018 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

QUALIFICATION EVENTS

NOTICE OF RACE & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (NoR/SI)

To be supplemented by Local Sailing Instructions (LSI)

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1 DATES AND VENUES

Venue	Dates	Qualification Places and Divisions
Dominican Republic, Cabarete	15 – 20 January 2018	1 Boy : North America & Caribbean 1 Girl : North America & Caribbean 1 Boy : Central & South America 1 Girl : Central & South America
Marocco, Dakhla Lagoon	20 – 25 Feb 2018	1 Boy : Africa 1 Girl : Africa 1 Boy : Europe 1 Girl : Europe
Thailand Pranburi Pak Nam Pran	12 – 18 Mar 2018	1 Boy : Asia 1 Girl : Asia 1 Boy : Oceania 1 Girl : Oceania
China, Shanwei	10 – 15 April 2018	4 Boys : World 4 Girls : World

Note:

1 Place (Boy) and 1 Place (Girl) are allocated to the host country.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) will assign 1 Qualification Place (Boy) and 1 Qualification Place (Girl) as tri-partite place drawn from all countries participating in a Qualification Event that have not qualified otherwise.

2 RULES

2.1 The TT:R Youth Olympic Games qualification events will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 including Appendix FS and Addendum FSR (Refereeing) in the most current version. Other documents under RRS definition *Rule (g)* include:

2.1.1 [DP] The IKA Support Team Regulations (STR);

2.1.2 [DP] [SP] The IKA Equipment Regulations (ER); and

2.1.3 [NP] [DP] The IKA Competitors Media Guide (CMG) – to be published.

2.2 Rule A7 is deleted and replaced by:

A7 HEAT TIES

If there is a heat score tie between two or more kiteboards, the kiteboards shall share the positions for which they are tied. This may result in more kiteboards advancing to subsequent heat.

2.3 Addendum FSR is changed as follows:

2.3.1 Rule 64.5 is deleted and replaced by:

64.5 Protest Committee imposed penalties

The protest committee shall penalize a kiteboard as follows:

(a) in a qualifying heat:

(1) for a breach of a rule of part 2 resulting to a significant disadvantage of the other kiteboard; points equal to 80% of the number of kiteboards advancing to the next heat

(2) for a breach of rule 28 at an *obstacle*; points equal to 65% of the number of kiteboards advancing to the next heat

- (3) for a breach of a rule of part 2 not resulting to a significant disadvantage of the other kiteboard, points equal to 45% of the number of kiteboards advancing to the next heat
- (4) for a breach of rule 31; points equal to 30% of the number of kiteboards advancing to the next heat
- (b) in a final heat:
 - (1) for a breach of a rule of part 2 resulting to a significant disadvantage of the other kiteboard; points equal to 40% of the number of kiteboards in that heat
 - (2) for a breach of rule 28 at an *obstacle*; points equal to 35% of the number of kiteboards in that heat
 - (3) for a breach of a rule of part 2 not resulting to a significant disadvantage of the other kiteboard, points equal to 25% of the number of kiteboards in that heat
 - (4) for a breach of rule 31; points equal to 15% of the number of kiteboards in that heat

However, when a kiteboard has broken a rule of Part 2, rule 28 at an obstacle and/or rule 31 in the same incident, only the highest penalty under rule 64.5(a) or 64.5(b) shall be applied.

2.3.2 Rule A6.3 is deleted and replaced by:

A6.3 If the protest committee decides to apply a penalty under rule 64.5, the scores of other kiteboards shall not be changed; therefore, two kiteboards may receive the same score. However, the penalty shall not cause the kiteboard's score to be worse than the score for Did Not *Finish*.

2.4 Supplementary Local Sailing Instructions (LSI) which may change or supplement rules in these NoR/SIs.

2.5 No national prescriptions will apply.

2.6 A kiteboard shall neither make radio transmissions while competing nor receive radio communications not available to all kiteboards, except in an emergency. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

2.7 In all rules governing the event;

2.7.1 The terms 'rider', 'competitor', 'crew', 'athlete' and 'owner' mean a person competing or intending to compete in the event;

2.7.2 [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee;

- 2.7.3 [SP] denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty applied by the protest committee with a hearing; and
- 2.7.4 [NP] denotes a rule that will not be grounds for protests by a kiteboard. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 2.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

3 [NP] [DP] ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Each event is open to competitors from any country (as defined by its National Olympic Committee – NOC) which can qualify a Youth Olympic Games quota place at that event, and for the following equipment and divisions.
 - IKA TwinTip:Racing Boys (born between 2000 and 2003)
 - IKA TwinTip:Racing Girls (born between 2000 and 2003)
- 3.2 All entry applications shall be made through the IKA online registration system at <http://internationalkiteboarding.org/events/upcoming-events>
- 3.3 Entries shall be submitted and fully paid not later than 3 calendar months before the registration day of each event. Accepted entries will be confirmed by the IKA two days after the registration deadline or two days after the end of the 2017 TT:R Youth World Championship, whichever is later. Competitors are advised not to make any travel arrangements before receipt of confirmation.
- 3.4 Entry for each event is limited to a maximum of 56 competitors per division for the continental qualification events and a maximum of 72 competitors per division for the world qualification event.
 - 3.4.1 Each country is guaranteed one entry if submitted and paid in accordance with NoR/SI 3.3.
 - 3.4.2 Additional places will be allocated based on the 2017 TT:R Youth World Championships results, or, in the absence of a TT:R Youth World Championship in 2017 based on the TT:R Youth World Ranking of 15 October 2017, as follows:
 - 3.4.2.1 Countries with a second entry ranked in the top 90% will get a second entry in order of their ranking.
 - 3.4.2.2 Countries with a third entry ranked in the top 70% will get a third entry in order of their ranking.

- 3.4.3 Any places not already allocated are reserved to the IKA Qualification Commission and may be allocated on a discretionary basis as follows:
- 3.4.3.1 Countries that only have one entry in a division may be allocated a second entry.
- 3.4.3.2 Emerging countries or special circumstances.
- 3.5 All entries above are allocated to the respective country.
- 3.5.1 When the number of entry applications does not exceed the number of places allocated to the country, entries will be confirmed directly to the athletes.
- 3.5.2 When the number of entry applications exceeds the number of places allocated to the country, entries will be confirmed to the IKA full member, which will then determine the athletes to fill those entries. In the absence of an IKA full member, the decision shall be made by the World Sailing MNA of that country, or the IKA Qualification Commission.
- 3.6 Rejected entries will be fully refunded.
- 3.7 Competitors shall bring their own equipment. Equipment eligible to compete is listed as “YOG Equipment” in the IKA registered production lists. Competitors may use one series production registered hull and a maximum of 4 series production registered Leading Edge Inflatable kites.
- 3.8 World Sailing Eligibility will apply. Each competitor shall be registered as a World Sailing Sailor on the World Sailing website.
- 3.9 Unless otherwise approved by the IOC or the World Sailing Executive, each competitor shall be a national of the country of his Member National Authority (MNA). Each competitor shall present proof of their nationality when requested.
- 3.10 Competitors shall be members of an IKA full member (National Class Association) of either their nationality or their country of permanent residence. A valid membership card or other satisfactory evidence of membership shall be presented at registration if requested. If no full member (having paid its annual subscription) exists in the competitor’s country, the competitor shall become an individual member of IKA. Membership formalities may be completed on site.
- 3.11 Olympic gender requirements will apply.
- 3.12 Competitors shall sign the entry form at registration at the time and place published.
- 3.13 Competitors shall provide the following documentation prior to completing registration formalities on site:
- Proof of age
 - Proof of Entry Fee payment

- Evidence of national class association membership
- World Sailor ID
- Evidence of valid third party insurance – minimum EUR 1.5 million per event or the foreign currency equivalent
- Parental/legal guardian consent - for those under the age of 18
- Medical Treatment Permission - for those under age of 18 or on their parent’s medical insurance policy

4 ENTRY FEE

Entry Fees will be as follows:

North/South America	150 EUR
Africa/Europe	200 EUR
Asia/Oceania	100 EUR
World	200 EUR

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 The schedule for each event will be as follows:

Day 1	Registration and Measurement	1200-1700 hours
	Opening Ceremony	1900 hours
Day 2-6 (Thailand: Day 2-7)	Racing	1000-1900 hours
Day 6 (Thailand: Day 7)	Prize Giving	1900 hours

5.2 Four elimination series / half fleet / full fleet races per division per day are scheduled.

5.2.1 Races and eliminations not sailed on the scheduled day may be sailed on the following day at the discretion of the race committee.

- 5.2.2 Not more than one race/elimination per class/flight/fleet may be sailed ahead of schedule at the discretion of the race committee, and only if the weather forecast makes it unlikely that the scheduled number of races can be sailed in the following days.
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 18:00 hours.

6 FORMAT

- 6.1 The format for each division will be a single series consisting of multiple single elimination series, half fleet and full fleet races.
- 6.2 Each division will compete separately.

7 STARTING AND FINISHING

- 7.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange and white chequered flag on the race committee starting vessel and the course side of the nearby orange and white chequered inflatable mark to leeward.
- 7.2 A buoy may be attached to the race committee starting vessel anchor line just below keel depth. Kiteboards shall not pass between this buoy and the race committee starting vessel at any time. This buoy is part of the race committee starting vessel ground tackle.
- 7.3 To alert kiteboards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange and white chequered starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least seven minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 7.4 [DP] Kiteboards whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence of other races. The starting area is defined as a rectangle 75 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- 7.5 The finishing line will be between a black and white chequered flag on the race committee finish vessel and the course side of the nearby black and white chequered inflatable mark to leeward.
- 7.6 The race committee finish vessel will be identified by a black and white chequered flag. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 7.7 [DP] Kiteboards not racing shall avoid the finishing area.

8 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

8.1 Time limits and target times, in minutes, for the final series are as follows:

<u>Format</u>	<u>Time Limit</u>	<u>Mark 1 Time Limit</u>	<u>Target Time</u>	<u>Finish Time Window</u>
Elimination Series	7	2	3	2
Half Fleet	10	4	6	4
Full Fleet	15	8	10	5

8.2 If no kiteboard has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

8.3 Kiteboards failing to finish within the Finish Window will be scored DNF without a hearing.
This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

9 COURSES AND RACING AREAS

9.1 All courses will be downwind slalom or boardercross courses.

9.2 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 will be posted not later than 20 minutes before the start of the first heat.

9.2 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

10 [DP] IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

- 10.1 When provided by the local Organizing Authority, kiteboards and competitors shall carry, display or wear the following as instructed:
 - 10.1.1 Competition bibs for all competitors with the individually assigned competition number, worn over all other clothing and equipment at any time when afloat;
 - 10.1.2 Individual event leader bibs, worn over all other clothing and equipment at any time while afloat;
 - 10.1.3 Event advertising;
 - 10.1.4 Cameras and other media equipment; and
 - 10.1.5 [SP] Tracking and timing system equipment.
- 10.2 [SP] Any advertising or identification from previous events shall be removed.

11 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 11.1 The location of the official notice board and the official flagpole will be published in the LSI.
- 11.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 17 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.
- 11.3 [DP] [NP] When flag G is displayed ashore, kiteboards shall not leave the beach. When flag G is displayed afloat, kiteboards shall return to the beach as soon as reasonably possible.
- 11.4 When a visual signal is displayed over an area or class/division flag, the signal applies only to that area or class/division. This changes the preamble of RRS Race Signals.
- 11.5 The LSI will be posted no later than the first competitors briefing, and will be available at the event and/or IKA website, and by hard copy on request.

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, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted not later than the end of the protest time limit of the last class/fleet/flight on the day before it will take effect.

13 [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1 While racing, every competitor shall wear, above the waist, an impact vest with a minimum buoyancy of 25N in fresh water.
The buoyancy will be tested with a ferrous metal weight of 20N, which shall remain supported for a minimum of 5 minutes.
- 13.2 While racing, every competitor shall wear a helmet that shall be to the minimum standard EN1385 or equivalent

14 [DP] CODE OF CONDUCT

- 14.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.
- 14.2 Kiteboards not racing shall avoid areas where kiteboards are racing and any official boat.

15 EVENT SCORING

- 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 15.2 Each elimination series counts as one race.
- 15.3 A kiteboard's series score will be the sum of her race scores, excluding her worst score when 3 to 4 races are completed, her two worst scores when 5 to 7 races are completed, her three worst scores when 8 to 10 races have been completed, and her four worst scores when 11 or more races are completed. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.4 A kiteboard starting later than 1 minute after her starting signal or, if Start System B (Rabbit Start) is used 1 minute after the rabbit has reached the race committee starting vessel, will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

- 15.5 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a kiteboard may complete a scoring enquiry form available at the race office.

16 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 16.1 Kiteboards shall comply with the Event Equipment Rules as defined in the Equipment Regulations from 1 hour before the warning signal of the first race of the event.
- 16.2 [DP] Special Notice is drawn to the use of leaches and fully functional depower and quick-release systems.
- 16.3 [NP] [DP] Competitors shall ensure that a completed “Equipment Registration Form” is returned to the race office during the official on-site registration period. This may be done electronically through a system provided by the race committee.
- 16.4 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be permitted unless authorized by the race committee or technical committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the relevant committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 16.5 [SP] Upon coming ashore, a kiteboard can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 16.6 [SP] Information on equipment to be measured post-racing each day will be posted. Competitors shall present the equipment to be measured at the time posted.

17 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An international jury may be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b). Their decisions will be final and cannot be appealed, as specified in RRS 70.5.

18 PROTESTS, PENALTIES AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests, requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last kiteboard has finished the last race / heat of the day for that Class/Division, or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 18.2 Notices for protests received 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 posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 15 minutes before the end of protest time Limit.
- 18.3 Notices of protests by the race committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform kiteboards under RRS 61.1(b).
- 18.4 A list of kiteboards that have been penalized RCT/DCT will be posted.
- 18.5 Penalties for breaches of the ER, STR, CMG, class rules, RRS 55 or Rules in the NoR and SIs marked [DP] or [SP], should the case go to a hearing, are at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- 18.6 For breaches of NoR/SI marked [SP], the race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing to the race closest in time to the incident. The scores of other kiteboards shall not be changed; therefore, two kiteboards may receive the same score. However, the race committee may protest a kiteboard when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A kiteboard that has been penalized with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another kiteboard nor can another kiteboard request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 63.1 and A5.
- 18.7 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- 18.7.1 within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; and
- 18.7.2 no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day; This changes RRS 66.
- 18.8 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress from a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

19 [DP] [NP] SUPPORT TEAM PERSONNEL

- 19.1 All support team members shall be registered with the local organizing authority at registration and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Support Team Regulations. The local organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at its sole discretion.
- 19.2 Support team members shall not go afloat except on vessels provided by the Organizing Authority.

20 PRIZES AND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

- 20.1 Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 competitors of each division.
- 20.2 [DP] The top three competitors in each division as well as individual race winners (if applicable) may be required to attend a media press conference each day.
- 20.3 [DP] Competitors may be required for interviews at the regatta.
- 20.4 [DP] Competitors shall not leave the event venue before the day before the prize giving ceremony. Competitors finishing in the top 3 in their division shall not leave the event venue before the conclusion of the closing ceremony.
- 20.5 IKA may reduce or remove a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

21 [NP] [DP] INSURANCE

- 21.1 Each competitor and “person in charge” (see RRS 46) shall hold a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third-party liability coverage of at least EUR 1.5 million or foreign currency equivalent per incident.
- 21.2 The organizing authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

22 RISK STATEMENT

- 22.1 Competitors and support team participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Kiteboarding 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:
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their equipment to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their equipment and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
 - d) By participating in any form of competition, they are satisfied that their equipment is in good order, equipped to compete in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - e) The provision of a race management team, rescue crafts, judges, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the Organizing Authority does not relieve them of their own responsibilities; and
 - f) The provision of rescue craft cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

23 MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the local organizing authority, IKA, all involved classes, and their sponsors 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 competition without compensation.

24 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact visit the event website, www.twintipracing.com

25 DOCUMENT CHANGE HISTORY

24 August 2017	Initial Version
15 September 2017	3.5 changed for clarity