

The Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games
Sailing Competition
6 – 17 September 2008
Qingdao, China

Organizing Authority

The International Association for Disabled Sailing (IFDS)—Beijing Organizing Committee for the Games of the XXIX Olympiad (BOCOG)

NOTICE OF RACE
(DRAFT)

1. Rules

The Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Sailing Competition will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

- 1.1. The IFDS Functional Classification System and Procedures (FCS 2005-2008 Revised November 2006).
- 1.2. The IFDS Race Management Manual Part 1 (2005 -2008 Revised July 2007) - IFDS Rules of Race Management Part I.
- 1.3. The Class Rules for
 - 1.3.1. Sonar- Appendix B - Alternative Rules of the Sonar Class Rules shall apply,
 - 1.3.2. SKUD18 - two centerline seats shall be fitted; C.2.1 (c) shall apply, and
 - 1.3.3. International 2.4 mR - Appendix K shall apply.
- 1.4. No change of crew will be permitted. This changes rule 7.1 of the IFDS Race Management Manual Part 1.
- 1.5. No national Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.6. Section 4 - Summer Sports Rules of the 2003 International Paralympic Committee Handbook will apply to points of dispute.
- 1.7. The classification procedures in the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Classification Guide supersede those in the IFDS Functional Classification System (FCS).

2. Amendments

The IFDS reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments published prior to 30 August will be circulated to all IFDS Recognised National Associations (RNAs) and the National Paralympic Committees (NPCs), which are represented in the Competition. Any later amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the venue and circulated to the Team Leaders.

3. Advertising and Identification

- 3.1. Clothing and equipment worn or used by athletes and support personnel shall be in compliance with the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing and
- 3.2. The IPC Manufacturer Identification Guidelines for Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games.
- 3.3. A boat shall not make any form of publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise including the display of a boat name, home port or club name.
- 3.4. Each boat shall carry on each side of its mainsail and on each side of the hull the country code denoting its national authority. Country codes will be provided by BOCOG and will be applied at Measurement. No other sail numbers will be displayed. This changes rule G1.1.
- 3.5. Class insignias shall be displayed in accordance with the relevant class rules.
- 3.6. Competitors may also be required to wear bibs displaying their country code on the outside of all their clothing equipment.
- 3.7. The organizing authority may supply and apply other logos or identification marks to sails and hulls.
- 3.8. Nothing applied to sails or hulls by the organizing authority may be changed or removed during the Competition without written approval of the organizing authority.
- 3.9. Any violation may result in disqualification or withdrawal of the accreditation of the person(s) concerned. The decisions of the IPC Executive Committee shall be final.

4. Cameras and Electronic Equipment

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment, as specified by the organizing authority.

5. Eligibility and Entry

- 5.1. The competition is restricted to boats of the three Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Sailing events. Entries are limited to the number of boats shown in brackets after each class: Sonar (14), SKUD 18 (12) and International 2.4mR (14).
- 5.2. Entries shall be entered by their NPC and are limited to one place per nation per event in accordance with the IFDS Qualification System and the IPC Rules and Regulations and accepted by the organizing authority.
- 5.3. Every athlete shall be a national of the country of the NPC that is entering them.
- 5.4. Only athletes who fulfil the terms of the International Paralympic Committee Handbook shall be eligible to enter. To be eligible for entry, all athletes must have competed in an official International Association for Disabled Sailing (IFDS) competition, between 1 July 2006 and 1 June 2008.
- 5.5. All disputes relating to the determination of the nation (or region), which a competitor may represent in the Paralympic Games, will be resolved by the IPC Executive Committee.
- 5.6. Each NPC must submit an accreditation application form for each athlete that is selected or may be selected and therefore entered to compete in the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Competition. (Accreditation Application Form Deadline – 24:00 (Beijing time), on 2 May 2008).
- 5.7. Final entries shall be submitted through the NPC to BOCOG and shall be received no later by 24:00 (Beijing time), on 7 July 2008.

- 5.8. Confirmation of entries will be sent to the NPC.
- 5.9. IFDS may modify the number of athletes in an individual event in consultation with BOCOG provided that the number of athletes does not exceed 80.

6. On Site Registration

- 6.1. All athletes shall complete registration at the venue from 1 to 5 September 2008 between 09:00 and 17:30. Teams may send a team manager with all necessary documents to complete the registration. Athletes not registered within this period will not be allowed to participate in the competition.
- 6.2. NPCs will be notified of the assigned boat parking and berthing positions, equipment measuring times and classification times (if applicable) for their athletes.
- 6.3. Equipment measuring and classification will take place at the venue.
- 6.4. Each athlete shall present at registration the appropriate original insurance policy.

7. Schedule

- 7.1. The schedule is as follows:

7 September	Practice Race
8 September	Races 1 and 2
9 September	Races 3, 4 and 5
10 September	Reserve day
11 September	Races 6, 7 and 8
12 September	Races 9 and 10
13 September	Race 11 and medal ceremony
The reserve day may be used for competition.	

- 7.2. Eleven races are scheduled for each event. A minimum of four races in each event shall be completed to constitute a series for that event.
- 7.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 13:00.
- 7.4. On the last scheduled racing day for each event, no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

8. Format

- 8.1. The sailing competition will be fleet racing.
- 8.2. From 7 to 13 September a team leaders meeting will be held at 10:00 in the Briefing Room in the Administration Center of the Venue.

9. Measurement

- 9.1. All boats must be measured for compliance with the relevant class rules. Boats must be available for measurement at the venue from 09:00 on 3 September 2008.
- 9.2. After a boat's measurement has been completed, neither it or its sails or equipment may leave the venue or the racing area and its adjacent waters without written permission from the Chairman of the International Jury and the relevant Measurer, until the completion of the last race of the event concerned.

- 9.3. Technical and measurement questions will be decided by the IFDS Technical Delegate, in conjunction with the relevant Measurer.
- 9.4. Any boat may be re-measured or examined at any time.

10. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available after completion of on-site registration.

11. Personal Flotation Devices

- 11.1. Personal flotation devices shall be worn at all times while afloat except when removed briefly to adjust clothing for safety or comfort reasons.
- 11.2. Personal flotation devices shall be in good condition and comply with the specification issued or approved by a national authority affiliated to the ISAF or a standards organization or certification authority recognised for that purpose by its respective government or accepted by the organizing authority. This changes racing rule 40.

12. Racing Areas

- 12.1. The racing areas will be within an exclusion zone. Navigational buoys will display the boundary of the exclusion zone. While a boat is racing, no part of her shall cross the boundary of the exclusion zone. The boundary ranks as an obstruction.
- 12.2. The Exclusion zone will be active from 7 to 11 September 2008.

13. Courses

- 13.1. Two courses area will be used and will be described in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 13.2. Course A - The International 2.4 mR class will sail a windward-leeward leg on the inner leg of a trapezoid course and the SKUD 18 will sail on the outer leg.
- 13.3. Course B – Sonar Class will sail a windward-leeward course.

14. The Venue

- 14.1. The Sailing Competition Venue will be the Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center, Qingdao, China.
- 14.2. The venue will be open from 09.00 to 18.00 between 30 August and 17 September.
- 14.3. On racing days (including any reserve day) the venue will be open from 09.00 and entry will be allowed until one hour after the last protest time.

15. Scoring

- 15.1. The Low Point Score System, Appendix A of the racing rules will apply.
- 15.2. Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3. (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b)When 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15.4.When 9 to 11 races have been completed, a boats score will be total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

16. Penalty System

Rule 44.1 and 44.2 apply for the International 2.4 mR and Sonar classes but are changed for the SKUD18 class so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe is required.

17. International Jury

The decisions of the International Jury will be final, in accordance to racing rule 70.4. Direct judging may be used.

18. Prizes

The prizes will be awarded as follows:

- 18.1.First prize shall be a silver gilt medal and a diploma;
- 18.2.Second prize shall be a silver medal and a diploma;
- 18.3.Third prize shall be a bronze medal and a diploma;
- 18.4.Prizes for fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth shall be diplomas.
- 18.5.Additionally all participants in the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games will receive a commemorative medal and a diploma.

19. Support/Coach Boats

- 19.1.One support boat per NPC per event will be allowed.
- 19.2.Support/coach boats shall register with the organizing authority prior to 17:00 on Friday, 5 September 2008.
- 19.3.Each support boat shall either fly a flag of a minimum size of 40 x 50cm on a staff displaying its national letters in black on a white background or display its national letters in black on a white background on a cover over the outboard engine. In addition, the organizing authority may provide numbers that shall be displayed on the bow. Bow numbers, together with written guidelines, will be supplied by the organizing authority at the time of registering.
- 19.4.The organizing authority may, at its discretion, refuse support boats not deemed to be suitable. Generally, open boats less than 7.5 meters in length having minimum or no superstructure (cabin, coach house, bridge, etc.) would be considered suitable.
- 19.5.At registration, a motorboat driving license recognised by a state authority for the designated driver and an insurance certificate for the boat shall be presented. The boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of €500,000.00 per incident or equivalent.
- 19.6.Photocopies of the insurance certificate and motorboat driving license shall be submitted to the organizing authority at registration.
- 19.8.Coaches that do not have a boat but wish to go afloat shall register at the time stated in paragraph 19.2.

- 19.8. All support boats shall be equipped with propeller guards.
- 19.9. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall comply with the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Sailing Competition Coach Boat Regulations, which will be available at registration.
- 19.10. Support boats may not display any form of advertising, publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise, including the display of boat name, home port, club name or manufacturer mark.
- 19.11. The organizing authority may require any support boat to carry one or more coaches or other support personnel from other competing nations and to offer assistance and support to athletes of those nations whose coaches or support personnel are on board.
- 19.12. Only boats that have been entered are allowed to be in the exclusion zone from 1 September – 13 September. Tune-up boats not entered are not allowed.
- 19.13. Only accredited support personnel will have access to the venue and competition areas.

20. Diving Equipment

- 20.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around the boats between the starting signal of the first race and the end of the competition.
- 20.2. Swimming in the Paralympic marina or in the area within 250m of the marina entrance is not allowed.

21. Radio Communication

While on the water, a boat shall not carry equipment capable of making radio transmissions or receiving radio communications, except for equipment provided by the organizing authority and equipment approved by the organizing authority for safety reasons. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

22. Doping Control

Doping control will be conducted according to the World Anti-Doping Code and under IOC Anti-Doping policy.

23. Rights to use Name and Likeness

In participating in the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Sailing Competition, an athlete automatically grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition without compensation.

24. Media Requirements

Attendance at a media press conference at the conclusion of racing on the final day of racing for each event is compulsory for all medal winning athletes.

25. Disclaimer of Liability

Athletes participate in the sailing competition entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority and any other party involved will not accept any liability for personal or material damage, injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the sailing competition.

26. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of 500,000 euros per event or the equivalent.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (not part of the notice of race)

I. CONTAINERS AND EQUIPMENT

Maximum two 40-ft containers per team will be permitted into the competition venue. Teams' additional containers may be permitted into a designated **Additional Container Area** outside, but close to, the venue. Teams intending to bring containers into the venue shall notify the organizing authority before 30 July 2008 by the Container Information forms as the attachment 3. Please note that for security and operational reasons all containers must enter the venue between 27 and 28 August 2008 and remain there until 14 September 2008.

Venue Security will check teams' containers on 28 and 29 August 2008. Teams should send 1 or 2 delegates (with validated Paralympic Identity and Accreditation Cards) to the venue to help at the security check, or teams may authorize Schenker to help with this.

The containers in the venue or in the designated area close to the venue must not display any type of advertising, publicity or propaganda, commercial or otherwise.

All containers should have left the venue by 18:00 on 15 September 2008.

Any NPC wishing to rent a container for storage purpose shall express its intention to the organizing authority by 30 July 2008.

On 30 and 31 August 2008, teams could bring their competition equipment into the competition venue by water. A security check shall be conducted on the Launching Ramps in the competition venue.

The official freight forwarder is Schenker, who will work closely with BOCOG staff in order to complete the formalities and the delivery of every consignment designated for the Paralympic venues.

BOCOG suggests using the services of Schenker for the necessary formalities at the customs.

To avoid delays in delivery, Schenker needs to be informed at least three months before the date of delivery of the goods and their destination. A full description of all equipment to be sent will enable Schenker to cooperate with athletes and their representatives to ensure smooth importation of your goods.

For more information on this matter, please refer to the full text of the *Freight and Customs Manual* available on the Beijing 2008 website, or contact:

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Electricity supply will be available in the container area. Please be aware that power supply within the venue is 220 V with 20 A maximum for each team.

II. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

NPCs shall not deploy any electronic measurement devices for meteorology information at the Paralympic venue.

III. TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTIONS

NPCs shall not put up any permanent or temporary constructions such as tents, racks or flagpoles at the venue.

IV. FOOD AND BEVERAGES

Catering service will be provided in the Paralympic Village from 30 August to 20 September.

V. MEDICAL SERVICES

A first aid and emergency medical service will be available at the venue to everyone requiring medical assistance.

A designated hospital, which is close to the venue, will be on stand by to cover the needs during the Paralympic Games.

VI. ACCREDITATION AND VISA

The organizing authority will operate according to the most recent IPC's *Accreditation and Entries at the Paralympic Games Users' Guide*.

BOCOG will send a report upon the completion of Pre-Valid Paralympic Identity and Accreditation Cards (PIACs) to the responsible organizations (NPCs, IPC). The responsible organizations must confirm the accuracy of this report by May 2008.

Accreditation Process

The Accreditation Application Forms were distributed to responsible organizations by BOCOG before 28 February 2008.

All completed Accreditation Application Forms with photographs must be returned to BOCOG before 2 May, 2008.

For eligible athletes and team officials, who have sent, via their NPCs, valid Accreditation Application with recent photographs before 2 May 2008, BOCOG will send the NPCs Pre-Valid PIACs in July 2008. Athletes and team officials need to obtain their own Pre-Valid PIACs from their NPCs before travelling to China. The Pre-Valid PIACs will be validated from 28 August 2008 (after the DRM).

The Pre-Valid PIAC, together with a valid passport, will serve as a multiple entry visa to the People's Republic of China (including Hong Kong SAR) from 6 August, 2008 to 16 October, 2008.

Hard-copies and off-line electronic application will serve as application tools.

Qingdao Accreditation Center

Qingdao Accreditation Center is located adjacent to the Main entrance of Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center. The opening hour is 08:00-24:00, from 8 July 2008 to 27 August 2008.

For NPCs, the following services will be provided:

- Validation and re-badging of PIACs;

- Application and distribution of Day Pass;
- Other Accreditation service.

Accreditation Categories

For categories, the number of people and access entitlements, please refer to the IPC's *Accreditation and Entries at the Paralympic Games Users' Guide*.

VII. NO SMOKING

The Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center is a non-smoking venue.

VIII. SAFETY

No pets, skateboards, roller blades or scooters will be allowed inside the venue.

IX. COACH BOATS RENTAL

For coach boats rentals, hope the following information could help:

i. Qingdao Lingbo Marine Co., Ltd.

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+86-532-83632819
Fax: +86-532-83647514
Mobile: +86-13606347979
Website: www.lingbo-marine.com
E-mail: mountfairy@public.qd.sd.cn
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ii. Tsingdao Leehang Enterprise Ltd.

Phone: +86-532-86659133
Fax: +86-532-86659131
Mobile: +86-13505420627
Website: www.nauticstar-marine.com
E-mail: tt@nauticstar-marine.com

iii. Qingdao Chengrun Boats Manufacture Co., Ltd.

Phone: +86-532-88761818
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Fax: +86-532-82889978
Mobile: +86-13001671818
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iv. Qingdao Haoyun Boats Manufacture Co., Ltd.

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X. ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

The organizing committee offers limited airport pickup and send-off service from 28 August 2008 (Pre-opening of Qingdao Paralympic Village) for the advance NPC members (maximum three members with Ao accreditation) from the airport to Qingdao Paralympic Village only.

The service from the airport to Qingdao Paralympic Village and Additional Official Hotel is available from 30 August to 20 September 2008 for NPC members.

To enable a smooth transport arrangement for teams, please send your team's Arrival and Departure Information Form (which can be downloaded from www.sailing2008.org) before 20 July 2008 to the Sailing Committee (Qingdao) of BOCOG.

XI. ACCOMMODATION

Athletes and team officials will be accommodated at the Qingdao Paralympic Village.

There are five hotels selected for the teams' additional officials and guests' accommodation. These five hotels are all within 3 kilometers to the Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center. Hotels' detailed information can be found in www.sailing2008.org.

For reservation, please contact Ms Sun Lixin from Accommodation Division, Games Services Department, BOCOG at sunlixin@beijing2008.cn, or contact sailing@beijing2008.cn directly.

INFORMATION – COMMUNICATION

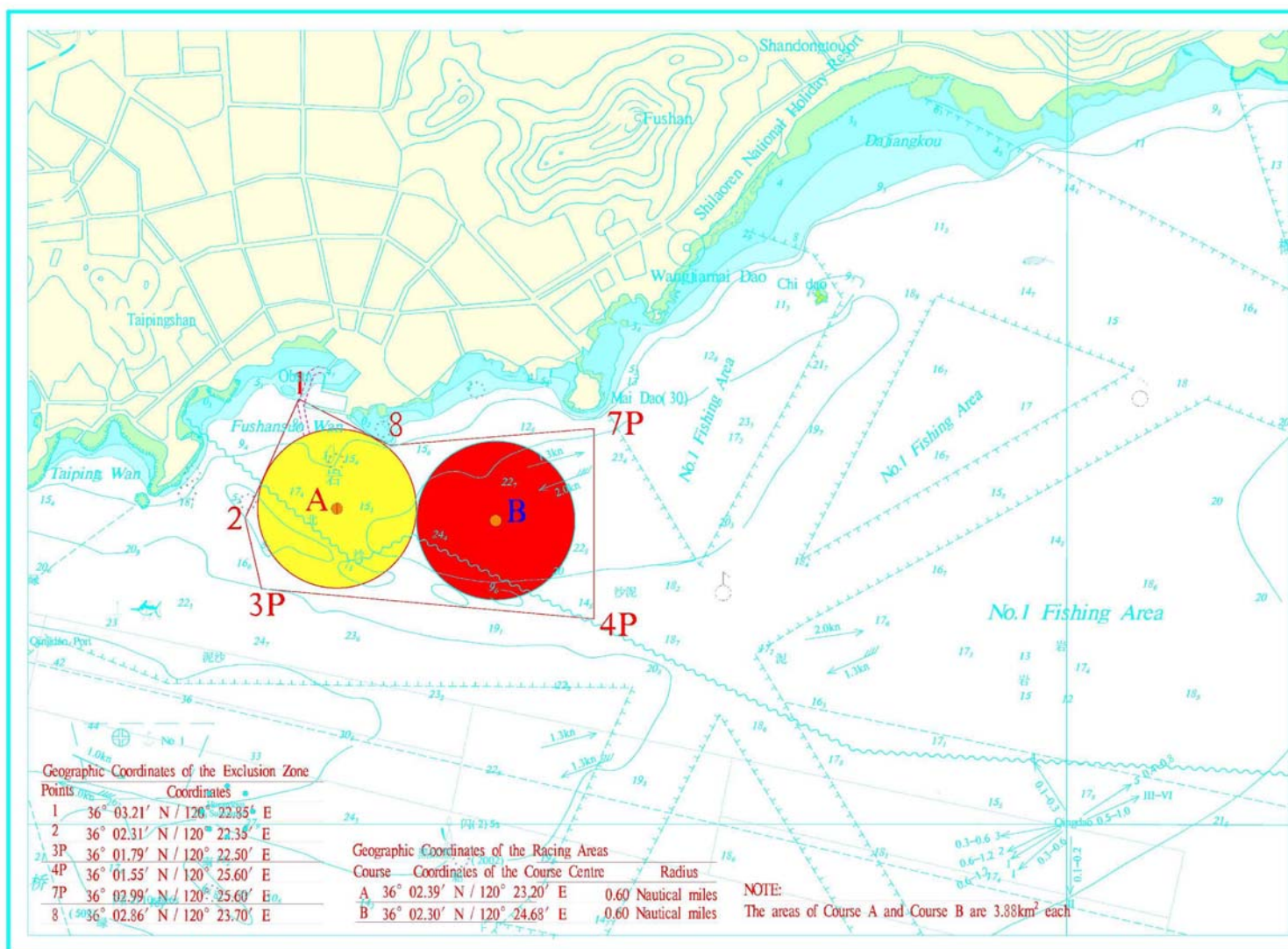
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ATTACHMENT 1: Racing Schedule

	Day	Date	A		B
			2.4 mR	SKUD18	Sonar
SAT	-7	30-Aug	Venue Open		
SUN	-6	31-Aug			
MON	-5	1-Sep	Registration		
TUE	-4	2-Sep	Registration		
WED	-3	3-Sep	Registration, Measurement, Classification		
THU	-2	4-Sep	Registration, Measurement, Classification		
FRI	-1	5-Sep	Registration, Measurement		
SAT	0	6-Sep	Welcome Party (Qingdao) / Opening Ceremony (Beijing)		
SUN	1	7-Sep	Practice Race		
MON	2	8-Sep	Race 1, 2	Race 1, 2	Race 1, 2
TUE	3	9-Sep	Race 3, 4, 5	Race 3, 4, 5	Race 3, 4, 5
WED	4	10-Sep	Reserve	Reserve	Reserve
THU	5	11-Sep	Race 6, 7, 8	Race 6, 7, 8	Race 6, 7, 8
FRI	6	12-Sep	Race 9,10	Race 9, 10	Race 9, 10
SAT	7	13-Sep	Race 11, Medal Ceremony	Race 11, Medal Ceremony	Race 11, Medal Ceremony
SUN	8	14-Sep			
MON	9	15-Sep			
TUE	10	16-Sep			
WED	11	17-Sep			
THU	12	18-Sep	Closing Ceremony (Beijing)		
			Venue Close		

ATTACHMENT 2: Location of the Racing Areas

Field of Play For 2008 Paralympic Sailing Competition



ATTACHMENT 3: Container Information Form

BASIC INFORMATION		
NOC Code		
CONTAINER TYPE		
20 feet		Please tick (√).
40 feet		
CONTAINER QUANTITY		
Containers to enter and park in the Container Area inside the venue secure perimeter		
Containers to enter and park in the Additional Container Area		
INFORMATION OF FREIGHT FORWARDER IN QINGDAO		
Company		
Contact Person		
Title		
Tel		
Fax		
Email		
Estimated Time of Arrival of Containers		