



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

Organising authority: The Beijing Organising Committee for the Games of the XXIX Olympiad (BOCOG) in conjunction with the International Association for Disabled Sailing (IFDS)

NOTICE OF RACE

Abbreviations

DRM	Delegation Registration Meeting (of NPC)
FCS	Functional Classification System and Procedures (of IFDS)
IFDS	International Association for Disabled Sailing
IOC	International Olympic Committee
IPC	International Paralympic Committee
ISAF	International Sailing Federation
MNA	Member National Authority (of ISAF)
NPC	National Paralympic Committee
NoR	Notice of Race
PEQ	Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Sport Entries and Qualification
PFD	Personal Flotation Device
RNA	Recognised National Authority (of IFDS)
RMM	Race Management Manual (of IFDS)
RRS	Racing Rules of Sailing (of ISAF)
SCA	Sonar Class Association
SI(s)	Sailing Instruction(s)
VSDP	Very Severely Disabled Person
WADA	World Anti-Doping Agency

Definitions

'Boat' refers to hull, deck, cockpit, keel/centreboard, rudder(s), spar(s), sail(s), seat(s), equipment and any other thing or things declared by the Chief Measurer to constitute part of a boat.

'Notice Board' is the Official Notice Board at the Paralympic Venue.

'Paralympic Regatta' is the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Sailing Competition.

'Venue' is the Paralympic competition venue at the Qingdao Olympic Sailing Centre, Qingdao, People's Republic of China.

1. Rules

1.1 The Paralympic Regatta shall be governed by

1.1.1. The Rules as defined in the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) (2005-2008);

1.1.2. The IFDS Functional Classification System and Procedures (FCS) (2005-2008 Revised November 2006) and any amendment made thereto after publication of this NoR (See also 10 Classification).

1.1.3. The IFDS Race Management Manual (RMM) Part I (2005-2008, revised November 2007) and any amendment made thereto after publication of this NoR; and

1.1.4. The Class Rules for the following Class Associations and any amendment made thereto after publication of this NoR.

Sonar [SCA Appendix B (Alternative Rules) shall apply],

SKUD 18 [Two centreline seats shall be fitted], and

International 2.4mR [2.4mR Appendix K shall apply].

1.2 No change-of-crew shall be permitted (This changes rule 7.1 of Part 1 of the RRM), but see also 5.3 (Substitution).

1.3 No national authority prescription shall apply.

1.4 IPC and BOCOG prescriptions shall apply. Decisions of the IPC Executive Committee shall be final.

2. Amendment to Notice of Race

Any amendment(s) to this NoR [See RRS 88.2(a)] made prior to 30 August 2008 will be circulated to Recognised National Authorities (RNAs) and the National Paralympic Committees (NPCs) relevant to the regatta. Any amendment(s) made after 30 August will be posted on the Notice Board.

3. Advertising and identification

3.1 The Paralympic Regatta will be a Category A event [Regulation 20.4.1].

3.2 No boat shall make any form of propaganda or undertake any form of publicity, commercial or otherwise. This prescription applies to boat name, home port and club name.

3.3 Each boat shall display class insignia in accordance with relevant class rules.

3.4 No boat shall display numbers other than those supplied and caused to be affixed to each side of the mainsail and hull by the Organising Authority at a time and place to be indicated on the Notice Board. This changes rule G1.1.

3.5 The Organising Authority shall have the power to cause logos, flags and identification marks to be applied to any part of any boat. Nothing caused to be applied may be changed or removed during the regatta without written approval of the Organising Authority.

3.6 Athletes may be required to wear, external to any other clothing or equipment, bibs displaying country codes, flags, logos and/or other identification marks.

3.7 Breach of any of the above may result in a protest by the Race Committee, disqualification, or withdrawal of accreditation.

4. Cameras, recorders and electronic equipment

The Organising Authority may require boats to carry cameras, sound recorders and/or positioning equipment.

5. Eligibility and entry

5.1 Boat entry is limited to

- 5.1.1 Fourteen Sonars, twelve SKUD 18s and fourteen International 2.4mRs (Where the number of boats is less than the limit in one event, IFDS shall have the power to increase the limit in another event);
- 5.1.2 One boat per nation per event;
- 5.1.3 Nations whose RNAs, throughout the regatta, are financial members of IFDS; and
- 5.1.4 Nations that have qualified according to the IFDS qualification procedure for the regatta.

5.2 Athlete entry is limited to

- 5.2.1 Eighty competitors;
- 5.2.2 Nationals of the countries entering the regatta; and
- 5.2.3 Individuals who, between 1 July 2006 and 1 June 2008, competed in an official IFDS regatta.

See also 6.1 (Registration)

5.3 An NPC may substitute one athlete for another provided

- 5.3.1 The NPC or its agent applies, in writing, to the Organising Authority;
- 5.3.2 The Organising Authority receives the application before the opening of the relevant NPC 'Delegation Registration Meeting' (DRM) whose date, at the time of publication of this NoR, is yet to be decided; and
- 5.3.3 The Organising Authority approves the substitution.

This clause alters no entry or eligibility requirement set by IPC, BOCOG, IFDS or this NoR (See especially FCS Appendix K).

5.4 NPCs shall enter athletes in accordance with IPC and BOCOG requirements (Note especially the PEQ Manual).

6. Registration, insurance and briefing

- 6.1 Only athletes registered in person or by team leaders at the Sport Information Desk at the Venue between 09.00 on 1 September and 17.30 on 5 September 2008 shall be eligible to compete.
- 6.2 Each competition boat shall be covered by third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of €500,000 per event or equivalent. At Registration, athletes must present original insurance policy documentation for scrutiny.
- 6.4 Between 7 and 13 September 2008, a briefing of team leaders will be held at 10.00 in the Briefing Room of the Administration Centre in the Venue.

7. Format

The format will be fleet racing. There shall be no medal race.

8. Schedule

8.1 Eleven races are scheduled for each event:

Sept.	7	Practice Race
	8	Races 1 and 2
	9	Races 3, 4 and 5
	10	Reserve Day
	11	Races 6, 7 and 8
	12	Races 9 and 10
	13	Race 11 and Medal Presentation

8.2 If necessary, the Reserve Day will be used for competition.

8.3 The warning signal for the first race of each day is scheduled for 13.00.

8.4 No warning signal will be made after 16.00 on the last day of racing.

9. Measurement

9.1 Boats will be measured for compliance with class rules.

9.2 Measurement will be undertaken from 3 to 5 September.

9.3 The Chief Measurer will post a timetable for Measurement on the Notice Board.

9.4 Between completion of Measurement and the end of the last race, no part of any boat shall leave the venue or water adjacent thereto without the written permission of the Chairman of the International Jury or the Chief Measurer.

9.5 Technical and measurement issues will be decided by the IFDS Technical Delegate, in conjunction with the Chief Measurer.

9.6 The Organising Authority shall have the power to inspect and (re)measure any part of any boat at any time.

9.7 At Measurement, competitors shall present valid boat measurement certificates for scrutiny by the Chief measurer or his/her nominee.

10. Classification

10.1 The following shall apply

10.1.1 The IFDS Functional Classification System and Procedures (2005-2008, revised November 2007) and any amendment made thereto after the publication of this NoR,

10.1.2 Applicable class rules, and

10.1.3 The Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games Classification Guide

10.2 ISAF Sailor Classification Code (Regulation. 22) shall not apply.

10.3 Classification will be undertaken from 3 to 5 September 2008.

10.4 The Chief Classifier will post a timetable for Classification on the Notice Board.

11. Sailing instructions

SlIs will be available to competitors after their completion of Registration (See 6, Registration, insurance and briefing).

12. Personal flotation devices

12.1 Competitors shall wear Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times while afloat except temporarily for reasons of safety, comfort or well-being.

12.2 PFDs shall be in good condition and shall comply with specifications approved by

- An RNA,
- An MNA,
- A state or national standards organisation, or
- A state or national certification authority.

This prescription (12.2) shall not be unreasonably enforced in the case of a very severely disabled person (VSDP) for whom, in the opinion of the IFDS Technical Delegate after consultation with the Chief Classifier, the wearing of a conventional PFD would result in diminished safety. Responsibility for the effectiveness of a PFD used by a VSDP shall be born by the wearer. Responsibility for not wearing a PFD shall be born by the VSDP. This changes the Preamble to Part 4 and Rule 40 of the RRS.

13. Racing areas

13.1 Racing shall occur within the Exclusion Zone defined by buoys described in the SlIs.

13.2 While racing, no part of a boat shall cross the boundary of the Exclusion Zone.

13.3 The boundary of the Exclusion Zone ranks as an obstruction.

13.4 The Exclusion Zone will be active from 8 to 13 September inclusive.

14. Courses

14.1 International 2.4mRs will sail the inner windward-leeward course of Racing Area A as defined in the SlIs.

14.2 SKUD 18s will sail the outer windward-leeward course of Racing Area A as defined in the SlIs.

14.3 Sonars will sail the windward-leeward course of Racing Area B as defined in the SlIs.

15. Venue

15.1 From 30 August to 17 September 2008, the Venue will be open from 09.00 to 18.00. On racing days (including the Reserve Day) entry will be allowed until one hour after the last protest ends.

15.2 Only persons bearing the appropriate BOCOG accreditation may access the venue and/or competition areas.

16. Scoring

16.1 The Low Point Score System (Appendix A of the RRS) will apply.

16.2 Four races shall constitute a series.

16.3 A boat's series score shall be the total of her

16.3.1 Race scores when fewer than five races have been completed; or

16.3.2 Race scores excluding her worst score when five to eight races (inclusive) have been completed; or

16.3.3 Race scores excluding her two worst scores when nine to eleven (inclusive) races have been completed.

17. Penalties

17.1 Direct judging may be used. RRS Appendix P shall apply.

17.2 International 2.4mR - Rules 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.

17.3 Sonar - Rules 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply.

17.4 SKUD18 - One turn, including one tack and one gybe. This changes Rules 44.1 and 44.2.

17.5 Decisions of the International Jury will be final in accordance with Rule 70.4.

18. Prizes

18.1 First prize shall be a gilt silver 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 Fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth prizes shall be diplomas.

18.5 All participants in the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games will receive a commemorative medallion and a certificate.

19. Support boats

19.1 No boat shall be used for any purpose unless it is registered with the Organising Authority before 17.00 on 5 September 2008.

19.2 The Organising Authority shall not register more than one support boat (which category includes coach boats) per NPC per event.

19.3 The Organising Authority shall refuse to register a support boat unless

19.3.1 Each propeller on the boat is equipped with a propeller guard;

19.3.2 The Organising Authority sights an original certificate of insurance for the boat covering third-party liability for a minimum of €500,000 per incident or equivalent; and

19.3.3 The Organising Authority deems the boat appropriate for use at the regatta [By way of guidance only, the Organising Authority advises that a boat more than 7.5m in length with more than minimal superstructure (cabin, coach house, bridge etc.) is unacceptable].

19.4 While on the water, each support boat shall

19.4.1 Fly, on a staff extending at least 1.5m vertically above the gunnel, its national flag (minimum horizontal dimension 50cm), or a white flag (minimum horizontal dimension 50cm) displaying, in black, its national letters (minimum height 20cm); or display on either side of its outboard-

- engine cover, black national letters (minimum height 20cm) against a white background;
- 19.4.2 Display numbers, letters and/or insignia supplied by the Organising Authority in accordance with guidelines issued by the Organising Authority;
 - 19.4.3 Display no form of signage, advertising, publicity or propaganda (which form includes boat name, home port, club name or manufacturer's mark) other than that referred to in 19.4.1 and 19.4.2; and
 - 19.4.4 Carry, as passenger, any person designated by the Organising Authority and, in good faith, comply with any reasonable request made by that person. This requirement (19.4.4) shall not be unreasonably enforced.
- 19.5 Any coach who wishes to observe on-water competition, but has no access to a boat, shall register with the Organising Authority before 17.00 on 5 September 2008.

20. Support-boat operators

- 20.1 No person shall operate a support boat unless the operator is registered with the Organising Authority before 17.00 on Friday 5 September 2008.
- 20.2 The Organising Authority shall refuse to register an operator unless the authority sights a photocopy or original copy of a valid motorboat licence issued to the intended operator by a reputable state or national organisation.
- 20.3 Operators shall comply with any requirement imposed by the Organising Authority.
- 20.4 Restrictions relevant to support boats shall be included in the SIs.

21. Haul-out

- 21.1 Between races, boats may be removed from the water as per a schedule posted on the Notice Board.
- 21.2 Swimming, diving or bathing in the water of the Paralympic marina or in the area within 250m of the midpoint of the harbour entrance is forbidden.
- 21.3 From the start of the first race until end of the last race, the use of Underwater breathing apparatus within 250m of the midpoint of the harbour entrance, and in-water boat skirting (to contain growth retardant), is forbidden.

22. Radio communication

While on the water, no competition or support boat shall carry equipment capable of transmitting or receiving a radio frequency. This restriction applies to mobile telephones but not to equipment provided or authorised by the Organising Authority.

23. Doping control

Doping control will be conducted according to World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code and the IOC Anti-doping Policy.

24. Name and likeness

By participating in the regatta, athletes and officials grant, to the Organising Authority and its sponsors and agents, the right, in perpetuity, without compensation, to make, use and show, from time-to-time at their discretion, any and all recordings and reproductions of him or her, whether still or motion picture, live or recorded video or other image, made before, during or after the competition.



25. Media conference

At the conclusion of racing on the final day of competition, athletes who are likely to win medals shall attend at a media conference.

26. Disclaimer

Athletes participate in the competition entirely at their own risk (See Rule 4, Decision to Race). The Organising Authority and all other parties involved accept no liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the competition.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(not part of the notice of race)

I. IPC and BOCOG REQUIREMENTS

Parties are urged to familiarise themselves with IPC and BOCOG requirements, especially those relating to eligibility, entry, accommodation, advertising, authority, deadlines, clothing, schedules and transport.

II. CONTAINERS and EQUIPMENT

No more than two 40 foot containers per team will be permitted into the Venue. Additional containers will be consigned to an Additional Container Area outside (but close to) the Venue.

Teams intending to bring containers into the Venue should notify the Organizing Authority of their intentions before 30 July 2008 (by way of Container Information Form, Attachment 3). Containers in or near the Venue must not display any type of advertising, publicity or propaganda.

For security reasons, containers must enter the venue between 27 and 28 August 2008 and remain there until 14 September 2008.

Security staff will check containers on 28 and 29 August 2008. Teams may either

- Send no more than two delegates (with validated Paralympic Identity and Accreditation Cards) to the Venue, or
- Authorize Schenker (the official freight agent)

to assist with the security check.

Containers must leave the venue by 18.00 on 15 September 2008.

Any NPC wishing to rent a container for storage purposes must express its wishes to the Organizing Authority by 30 July 2008.

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

Schenker will work closely with BOCOG to ensure delivery to Paralympic venues. BOCOG recommends that teams engage Schenker to undertake customs formalities.

To avoid delays, Schenker should be supplied with a full description of all consigned equipment at least three months before the date of delivery. For more information, please refer to the *Freight and Customs Manual* available on the Beijing 2008 website, or contact:

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Electricity (220v a.c. 20A max.) will be available in the Container Area. Teams are advised to bring adaptors and other equipment to enable electrical devices to use the power supplied.

II. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

No electronic meteorological device may be used by an unauthorized person at the Paralympic venue.

III. TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTIONS

No permanent or temporary edifice (e.g. tent, sun-shade, banner, rack, clothes-line, flagpole) may be erected at the Venue.

IV. CATERING

Food and beverages will be provided in the Paralympic Village from 30 August to 20 September inclusive.

V. MEDICAL SERVICES

First aid and emergency medical services will be available at the Venue to anyone needing assistance. A designated hospital, close to the venue, will be on stand-by to assist with emergencies.

VI. ACCREDITATION and VISAS

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

The accreditation process

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

Completed Accreditation Application Forms with photographs must be returned to BOCOG before 2 May 2008.

In July 2008, BOCOG will send Pre-Valid PIACs to responsible organisations for eligible athletes and team officials who have complied with the above requirement.

Athletes and officials must obtain Pre-Valid PIACs from their NPCs before travelling to China. Pre-Valid PIACs will be validated from 28 August 2008 (after the DRM).

From 6 August to 16 October 2008, Pre-Valid PIACs (with valid passports), will serve as multiple-entry visas to the People's Republic of China (including Hong Kong SAR).

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

Qingdao Accreditation Center

The Qingdao Accreditation Center is located adjacent to the main entrance of Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center. From 27 August to 13 September 2008, the opening hours are 08:00 to 24:00.

For NPCs, the following services will be provided:

- Validation and re-badging of PIACs,
- Application and distribution of Day Passes, and
- Other Accreditation services.

Accreditation Categories

Please refer to the *IPC Accreditation and Entries at the Paralympic Games User's Guide* for categories, number of people permitted and access entitlements.

VII. NO SMOKING POLICY

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

VIII. SAFETY

No pet, skateboard, roller blade/skates or scooter will be allowed inside the venue. This prescription will not be unreasonably enforced for a disabled person who presents, to the Organising Authority, a cogent reason for the use of a guide-dog or scooter.

IX. COACH BOAT RENTAL

To rent coach boats, please refer to the following.

i. Qingdao Lingbo Marine Co. Ltd.

Phone: +86-532-83631231
+86-532-83632819
Fax: +86-532-83647514
Mobile: +86-13606347979
Website: www.lingbo-marine.com
E-mail: mountfairy@public.qd.sd.cn
Lingbo-marine@163.com

ii. Tsingdao Leehang Enterprise Ltd.

Phone: +86-532-86659133
Fax: +86-532-86659131
Mobile: +86-13505420627
Website: www.nauticstar-marine.com
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iii. Qingdao Chengrun Boats Manufacture Co. Ltd.

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Fax: +86-532-82889978
Mobile: +86-13001671818
Website: www.qdchengrun.com
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iv. Qingdao Haoyun Boats Manufacture Co. Ltd.

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X. ARRIVAL and DEPARTURE

From 28 August 2008, a limited pickup service from Qingdao Airport and delivery to the Qingdao Paralympic Village will be available for advance party team members (maximum three with Ao accreditation after completion of the NPC's DRM in Beijing).

From 30 August to 20 September 2008, a pickup and delivery service will be available for athletes and officials to/from Qingdao Airport, Qingdao Paralympic Village and Official Hotels.

The above services will be available only to teams whose Arrival and Departure Information Forms (downloadable from www.sailing2008.org) are sent to the Sailing Committee (Qingdao) before 20 July 2008.

XI. ACCOMMODATION

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

Additional officials, with appropriate accreditation, may also stay at the Qingdao Paralympic Village. For reservations, please contact sailing@beijing2008.cn.

XII. COMPETITION MANAGER

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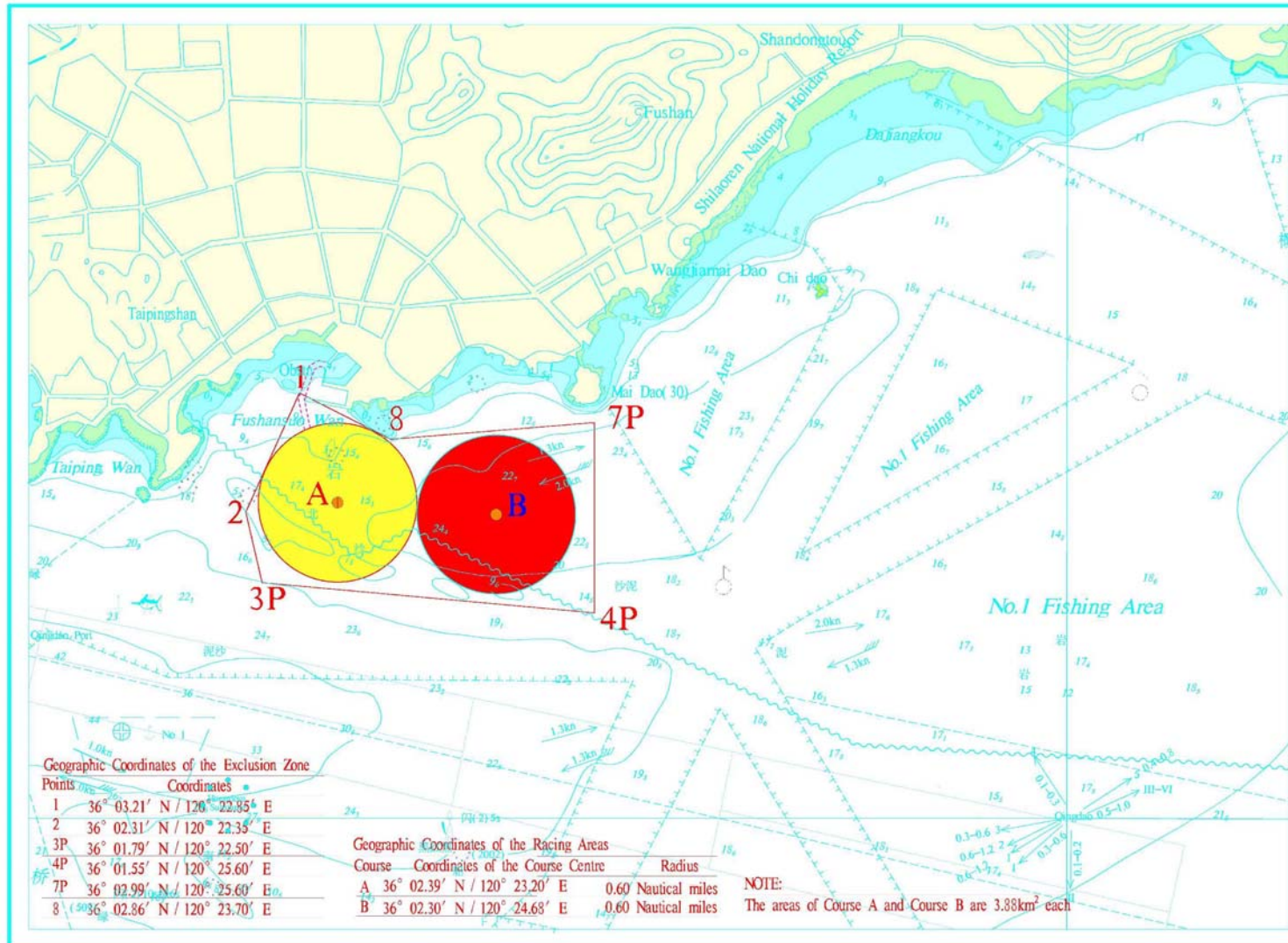
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ATTACHMENT 1: Schedule

	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	Opening Ceremony (Beijing)		
SUN	1	7-Sep	Practice Race, Launching Ceremony (Qingdao)		
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 Farewell Ceremony (Qingdao)	Race 11 Medal Ceremony Farewell Ceremony (Qingdao)	Race 11 Medal Ceremony Farewell Ceremony (Qingdao)
SUN	8	14-Sep			
MON	9	15-Sep			
TUE	10	16-Sep			
WED	11	17-Sep	Closing Ceremony (Beijing)		
THU	12	18-Sep	Venue Close		

ATTACHMENT 2: Racing Areas





ATTACHMENT 3: Container Information Form

CONTAINERS		
NPC Code		
Number of 20 foot containers		
Number of 40 foot containers		
Number of containers to reside inside the venue	20 foot	40 foot
Number of containers to reside in the Additional Container Area	20 foot	40 foot
FREIGHT FORWARDER IN QINGDAO		
Company/Agency		
Contact person		
Title		
Telephone number		
Facsimile number		
Email address		
Estimated date of arrival of container(s)		
Remarks		