



Pan American Games Regatta 2011

Equipment Inspection Regulations 28 August 2011

1. General requirements

- 1.1. All boats and equipment entered for the Pan American Games Regatta 2011 may be inspected in accordance with their Class Rules and any special rules contained in the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and these Equipment Inspection Regulations.
- 1.2. An Equipment Inspection Committee (EIC) headed by the Chief Measurer appointed by the Organizing Authority shall be the final authority for interpreting the Class Rules during the Regatta, and for determining whether equipment complies with the Class Rules.
- 1.3. The EIC may change these Equipment Inspection Regulations. Such changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board in accordance with the provisions governing the posting of changes to the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4. Athletes are reminded that in accordance with RRS 78.1 they are responsible for ensuring that their boat is maintained in accordance with the Class Rules and that the measurement certificate remains valid. (For the purpose of RRS 78.1 athletes are considered to be the boat's owner.)

2. Pre-race equipment inspection

- 2.1. The dates and times of equipment inspection will be published prior to the beginning of the Regatta. The designated time of equipment inspection may be subject to alteration by the EIC. Boats and equipment as indicated below shall be presented at the designated time. Equipment inspection will be scheduled from 13 October to 15 October 2011.

Measurement will take place at the venue starting at **9:00 hours on Thursday October 13th, 2011** and closing at **18:00 hours on Saturday October 15th, 2011**.

A schedule of times at which boats, crew and equipment must be presented for measurement will be posted no later than **20:00 hours on Wednesday October 12th 2011.**

Failure on the part of a competitor and his or her boat or equipment to be available for measurement at the required time may result in he or she not being able to compete in one or more races.

- 2.2. When submitted for equipment inspection, a boat and its equipment shall comply with the Class Rules, the Regatta Sailing Instructions and the Regatta Equipment Inspection Regulations.
- 2.3. All boats shall be presented for inspection with the full equipment, including sails, personal buoyancy and personal equipment. Personal buoyancy shall comply with the specific Class Rules. Where not specified in the Class Rules, personal buoyancy shall provide 50 Newtons of buoyancy or be in compliance with EN 393 or ISO 12402-5, level 50 or an equivalent. Personal buoyancy that relies on inflation devices to achieve buoyancy is not accepted.
- 2.4. Snipes, Lightnings and J/24 shall be presented for equipment inspection with their valid certification documents. These shall be retained by the EIC for the duration of the equipment inspection period. If any document is a photocopy, its authenticity shall be confirmed with an original stamp and signature from the issuing authority.
- 2.5. Boats and equipment shall be presented for equipment inspection in a dry, clean and salt-free condition. Any item, which is not in a condition to the satisfaction of the Equipment Inspector, may be impounded by the EIC for up to 48 hours prior to the boat or its equipment being re-examined.
- 2.6. Only the team leader or nominated delegate, the boat's crew and one interpreter may be present during the boat's equipment inspection. At least one of these persons shall be present and shall be authorised to remedy any deviations from the rules or to withdraw the boat from the Regatta. Unless authorised by the EIC, only one hull shall be presented for equipment inspection by an entry in each Event.
- 2.7. When equipment is found to contravene the Class Rules, the EIC shall make a report and hand a copy of this report to the boat's representative. The boat may then be resubmitted for inspection at a time arranged through the EIC. If a boat or equipment cannot be corrected to comply with the Class Rules prior to the end of equipment inspection, that boat or equipment shall not be used in the Regatta.
- 2.8. Unless authorised by the EIC, repairs or alterations to boats or equipment shall not be made in the inspection areas.
- 2.9. All equipment shall be certified and marked as required by the Class Rules. When specified in the relevant Class Rules, all sails shall be certified as required by the Class Rules before being presented for equipment inspection.
- 2.10. All mainsails shall be presented for equipment inspection with national letters in place. Additional Class Numbers are optional.
- 2.11. Intentionally Blank
- 2.12. All items of equipment subject to Regatta limitation inspection will be marked with the official Regatta stamp or sticker. Some items may receive two control marks, one in a readily visible position when afloat, and a second in a position protected from wear

and tear. If a mark becomes unclear, insecure or lost, this shall be reported to the EIC so that the mark may be replaced before the next race.

- 2.13. The EIC will report to the Race Committee all boats that have satisfactorily completed equipment inspection by the end of the scheduled pre-race equipment inspection period.

3. Men and Women's One Person Dinghy – Laser and Laser Radial

- 3.1. Each boat shall be presented for equipment inspection with the mast up and rigged as for sailing and shall be accompanied by one set of control lines, rudder, tiller, dagger board and all other equipment required by the Class Rules.

4. Intentionally Blank

5. Men and Women's Windsurfer – RS:X

- 5.1. The hull, rig and equipment shall be presented as required by the Class Rules for equipment inspection. Personal buoyancy shall be presented.
- 5.2. Before the close of registration, competitors shall register each piece of equipment they intend to use on the RS:X Equipment Registration Form.

6. Open Snipe, Lightning and J/24

- 6.1. Each boat shall be presented for equipment inspection with the mast down and shall be accompanied by mast, boom, spinnaker pole (as appropriate), one set of sheets, rudder, tiller, centreboard/daggerboard (as appropriate) and all other equipment required by the Class Rules on board for the purpose of weighing. All inspection hatches and covers, including bulkhead covers, shall be open. Personal buoyancy shall be presented.
- 6.2. Each boat shall have been built in accordance with the specification that has been approved by ISAF.
- 6.3. Each Snipe shall be presented for equipment inspection with the mast down and shall be accompanied by mast with spreaders and shrouds, boom, whisker pole, one mainsheet, rudder, tiller/extension, daggerboard, and compass (if fitted) for the purpose of weighing. All inspection hatches and covers, including bulkhead covers, shall be open. Personal buoyancy for each crew member, a 15m x 8mm tow line and a paddle shall be presented.
- 6.4. Each Snipe shall present a maximum of two mainsails and two jibs for equipment inspection.
- 6.5. At Registration, J/24 crews will receive additional instructions concerning preparing the boat for equipment inspection.
- 6.6. **J/24 class rule 3.1.4 is changed to "Required and optional equipment shall be functional for its intended use except that it is not required that navigation lights be operational."**

7. Open Hobie 16 and Sunfish

- 7.1. Each boat shall be presented for equipment inspection as follows:

The boat with the mast down, boom, rigging and all equipment on board for the purpose of weighing. Inspection / access ports shall be open, but with their covers in the boat. Personal buoyancy shall be presented;

8. Weighing of crew (as appropriate):

- 8.1. If a class has crew weight limits then the EIC will check weights as per the class rules and competitors will be required to adhere to instructions that will be published by the EIC at the site.

9. Boats and equipment after completion of equipment inspection

- 9.1. After a boat or equipment has passed through equipment inspection, it shall not be removed from the defined boat park, the sailing venue or from the race course areas and the area between the shore and the race courses without the written permission of the EIC.
- 9.2. Alterations: After boats or equipment have completed equipment inspection, no alterations shall be made without the written approval of the EIC.
- 9.3. Repairs: Athletes wishing to make repairs to boats or equipment after it has passed through equipment inspection shall make an application to the EIC. If permission is granted, the EIC will arrange a time for such repairs to be inspected.
- 9.4. Replacement process: Requests for replacements shall be made to the EIC at the first reasonable opportunity. All applications for replacement equipment shall be made on forms available at the Sport Information Desk. In addition, for replacements afloat, athletes shall notify an Equipment Inspector or the Race Committee before racing. An EIC representative will be available at the boat park or via the Equipment Inspection Office no later than 30 minutes after the expiry of the protest time limit for that Event.
- 9.5. Replacement approval: Approval will only be given if the equipment is severely damaged, was not deliberately mistreated, and cannot be repaired satisfactorily in the time available. All replacement equipment shall be certified in accordance with the Class Rules before use. Should the EIC consider that the item could have been used in the race or had been purposely damaged or lost by the athlete or any person associated with his / her team, the EIC may protest and / or file a report with the International Jury.

10. Equipment control during the Regatta

- 10.1. A boat may be checked by the EIC at any time during the Regatta.
- 10.2. After any race, a boat may be informed by an EIC representative that it has been selected for post-race inspection. When hailed, the boat shall return directly to the designated area at the sailing venue.
- 10.3. When a boat has been selected for post-race inspection, no person shall join or leave the boat. On J/24s, no person shall go below on the boat. No equipment or other item shall be taken on or off the boat. The notified crew shall not leave the equipment inspection area without the permission of the EIC. After inspection of the crew clothing and equipment, at least one representative of the crew shall remain present during the inspection of the boat. The EIC may require the boat to be impounded in order to dry out before its weight is checked.
- 10.4. If any aspect of the boat does not comply with the Class Rules, or if the EIC has reason to believe that an item of equipment has been altered, repaired or replaced

without prior approval, the EIC will either protest or make a report to the International Jury.

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Addendum A: Positioning of country letters on mainsails



