World Sailing Equipment Registration Report

1. Introduction

1.1 The World Sailing Series Production Equipment Registration Scheme acts as the process via which manufacturers can register equipment for events where equipment registration is mandatory as defined in the Class Rules. The scheme requires a minimum number of identical items to be produced and ensures it is in-line with class rules and World Sailing Regulations.

1.2 The Scheme has undergone significant improvement throughout 2026:

- Transition of the Formula Wing class from Phase 2 to Phase 3, requiring full building specifications to be submitted following the Formula Wing's successful application to become a World Sailing Class.
- Internal updates to the Board registration system to mirror the Formula Wing system, allowing for more efficient management.

1.3 Smartsheets is used as the platform for the online system as its database management system allows for easy submission of information and automation options efficiently manage registrations.

2. Board Registration

2.1 A World Sailing Approved Series Production board must be manufactured in accordance with World Sailing's Board Registration Scheme. The scheme requires manufacturers to produce a minimum series of identical boards of each model registered and pay a small fee to cover the administration process. Approved series production boards are identified by the use of the World Sailing Series Production Equipment Logo.

2.2 The international Windsurfing Classes reported in table 1 require the boards to be registered with the scheme to be eligible for racing in their classes. Board model numbers registered in the last 5 years are reported below:

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026 – To-Date
Funboard & Youth Funboard	*68*	*58*	*72*	*42*	*68*
Formula	*10*	*6*	*3*	*1*	-
Raceboard	*3*	-	*4*	*5*	-

Table 1. *Number of models registered from 2022.*

2.3 There are currently no models waiting to complete the pre-registration process in 2026.

2.4 Additional information can be found on the equipment registration page of the WS website: link here.

2.5 Answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding equipment registration can be found here.

3. Board Registration Status

3.1 Starting from March 2025 the registration system migrated to Smartsheets to allow for easier submission of new information. Within Smartsheets, every brand has their own unique registration page that is accessed via a unique link. The system has retained the two parts – Pre Registration (registration of equipment before the production run commences) and Final Registration (completion of the registration once 10 equipment items have been produced).

3.2 To allow for the inclusion of new classes within the Scheme and to reduce manufacturing cost due to the use of multiple logos, the decision was made in 2025 to adopt a single "World Sailing Series Production Equipment Logo", dropping the requirement for the three separate logos using the "Funboard" "Formula" and "Raceboard" branding.

3.3 An update to the system was issued on the 14th of October, transitioning to the same back-end architecture as the Formula Wing registration system, allowing for more efficient data management.

4. Board Registration Next Steps:

4.1 Increase the utilisation of automated systems to reduce human error and time spent submitting and processing applications.

4.2 Review the need to audit and monitor compliance with reported requirements.

5. Formula Wing Registration

5.1 As part of their application to World Sailing, the Formula Wing Class, part of the IWSA, chose to work with World Sailing to develop an equipment registration system that covers the registration of the following components:

- Wings (the inflatable sail used by the Formula Wing Class)
- Foil Systems:
  - Front Wings
  - Rear Wings
  - Fuselages
  - Foil Masts
  - Glider Systems
    - Single Piece Gliders
    - Split Fuselage (multi-piece) Gliders

Boards remain open for use and are not part of the registration system.

5.2 In order to allow for registration of equipment already in use and to assist manufacturers with the onboarding process for the Equipment Registration Scheme, the Formula Wing Registration Scheme was split into three discrete phases:

Phase 1 – Single step registration process to allow all equipment on the market and in-use to be registered for Formula Wing events. This phase ran until the 30th April 2025. A minimal amount of information was required to register with the system.

Phase 2 – 2-part registration process for the registration of new equipment entering the market following the same parts (Part I and Part II) as the board registration process. This phase came into force on the 1st May 2025. An increased amount of information required for registration led to the creation of a Formula Wing Measurement system, aimed at unifying the measurements being taken by manufacturers when reporting values.

Phase 3 – implemented on the 13th July following the class being awarded international status by World Sailing. Phase 3 adds the requirement for building specifications and layup information to be reported by the manufacturers in keeping with World Sailing regulations.

5.3 Table 2 below shows the registrations received in Phase 1 of the Formula Wing Series Production Equipment Registration Scheme.

		2025
Wings	-	*320*
Hydrofoil Components	*Foil Mast*	*58*
	Fuselage	*23*
	Front Wing	*70*
	Rear Wing	*53*
	Glider System	*26*
Total		*550*

Table 2. *Number of models registered in Phase 1 of the Formula Wing Equipment Registration System.*

5.4 Table 3 shows the models registered within Phase 2 of the Formula Wing Equipment Registration System.

		2025	2026
Wings	-	*11*	*63*
Hydrofoil Components	*Foil Mast*	*2*	*9*
	Fuselage	-	*5*
	Front Wing	-	*16*
	Rear Wing	-	*15*
	Glider System	-	*12*

Table 3. *Number of completed registrations in Phase 2 of the Formula Wing Equipment Registration System.*

5.6 Two Foil-Masts have currently been registered under Phase III of the Formula Wing Equipment Registration Process with full building specifications.

5.7 Table 4 shows the Pre-Registered models within Phase 2 and 3 of the Formula Wing Equipment Registration System currently under review before final registration:

		2026 Phase 2	2026 Phase 3
Wings	-	-	*1*
Hydrofoil Components	*Foil Mast*	*1*	-
	Fuselage	-	-
	Front Wing	-	-
	Rear Wing	-	-
	Glider System	*1*	-

Table 4. *Number of open registrations in Phase 2 of the Formula Wing Equipment Registration System.*

5.8 Additional information can be found on the equipment registration page of the WS website: link here.

5.9 Answers to the most frequently asked questions regarding equipment registration can be found here.

6. Formula Wing Registration Status

6.1 Starting from 13st July 2026 the registration system migrated to Phase 3 for the registration of new equipment.

6.2 In-line with the release of Phase 3, Example layup drawings were released as part of the registration system to ensure manufacturers are submitting the correct information.

7. Formula Wing Registration Next Steps:

7.1 Use the Architecture of the Formula Wing registration system to develop a generic system that can be utilised for registration with any future equipment registration classes.

7.2 Increase automation of the system to reduce the time that is required to process applications.