



# 2026 29er South American Championship

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

01 to 05/04/2026

Veleiros do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brasil

Organizing Authority (OA): **Veleiros do Sul** in conjunction with **29er Brazilian Class**.

### 1. RULES

1.1 The Championship will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 Penalties: In RRS 44.1 "Two-Turns Penalty" is changed to "One-Turn Penalty"

1.3 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, shall apply, with RRS P2.1 to P2.3 deleted and replaced by:

#### P2.1 First and Second Penalty

When a boat is penalized under rule P1.2 for the first or second time during the event, her penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty under rule 44.2. If she fails to take the penalty she shall be disqualified without a hearing.

#### P2.2 Third and Subsequent Penalties

When a boat is penalized a third or subsequent time during the event, she shall promptly retire. If she fails to do so she shall be disqualified without a hearing and her score shall not be excluded.

1.4 The Class Rules will apply except for any that are altered by the Notice of Race. The [Class Race Management Guidelines](#) will also apply, but a failure to follow these Guidelines is not on its own grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

1.5 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NoR) and these SIs, the SIs will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.5(c).

1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.7 In all rules governing this championship:

1.7.1 Both 'athlete' and 'competitor' mean a person competing or intending to compete in the regatta.

1.7.2 **[NP]** denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

1.7.3 **[SP]** means a standard penalty may be applied without a hearing. This changes RRS A5 and 63.1.

1.8 RRS Appendix T will apply.

1.9 The National Prescription will apply: see in <https://www.sailing.org/inside-world-sailing/rules-regulations/racingrules/>

### 2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 90 minutes before the first scheduled warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races of a day will be posted by 19h on the day before it will take effect.

### 3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS AND IMPORTANT LOCATIONS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the The Official Notice Board is located online at WhatsApp Group: [https://chat.whatsapp.com/BBj8W0CBcapFR1oJSTbySi?mode=gi\\_t](https://chat.whatsapp.com/BBj8W0CBcapFR1oJSTbySi?mode=gi_t). See

**Attachment 3 –WhatsApp Official Notice Board Group**

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3.2 The important locations:

	<b>Location</b>
Official Flagpole	In front of the restaurant
Race Office	Next to the restaurant
Equipment Inspection	In front of the Official Flagpole
Hearing Room	Upper floor of the Race Office
Nursing and first aid	In front of the Race Office
Boats access ramp to the water	Central Ramp - In front of the restaurant

3.3 **[DP]** While afloat, a competitor shall not carry equipment capable of making or receiving voice or data transmissions, except for equipment provided by the organising authority.

**4. CODE OF CONDUCT**

4.1 **[DP]** Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable requests from an event official.

4.2 **[SP]** Competitors and support persons shall place advertising or bow numbers provided by the organizing authority with care, seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use and without interfering with its functionality.

**5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the official flagpole in front of restaurant.

5.2 **[SP][NP] Flag D** displayed with one sound means “The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after flag D is displayed” No boat shall leave her berthing area until this signal is made.

5.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

**6. [NP] CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT**

6.1 The format of racing will be competed in single fleet format.

**7. SCHEDULE**

7.1 The Championship schedule will be as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
April, 01st, 2026, Wednesday	9h - 18h	Registration and Inspection
April, 02nd, 2026, Thursday	10h	Opening Ceremony
	10h30	Skippers Meeting
	13h	Races
April, 03rd, 2026, Friday	13h	Races
April, 04th, 2026, Saturday	13h	Races
	After races	confraternization
April, 05th, 2026, Sunday	13h	Races
	17:30h	Prize Giving Ceremony

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- 7.2 Twelve (12) races are scheduled. Three (3) races are scheduled per day and a maximum of four (4) races can be raced each day.
- 7.3 On Sunday, April, 05th, there will be no warning signal after 16h.
- 7.4 The schedule may be changed to sail more than 2 races a day, if it is unlikely that racing will be possible on an upcoming day or when behind schedule. However, no more than 4 races a day will be sailed.
- 7.5 Each day succeeding races will be started as soon as practicable after the finish of the previous race.

## 8. CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1 The class flag will be:

Class	Flag
29er	White flag with <b>29er</b> insignia

## 9. RACING AREAS

- 9.1 **Attachment 1** shows the location of the racing areas. The racing area is defined as an área extending 100 meters beyond the entire course in which a boat would normally sail while racing.

## 10. THE COURSES

- 10.1 **Attachment 2** shows the course designations, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 10.3 A gate may be replaced by a single mark to be left to port.
- 10.4 Races will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

## 11. MARKS

- 11.1 Marks will be as follows:

MARK(S)	DESCRIPTION
STARTING MARKS	Race Committee vessels displaying orange flags
COURSE MARKS 1, 2S, 2P	Piramidal Yellow inflatable buoys
FINISH MARKS	Race Committee vessel displaying a blue flag and piramidal red buoy with a black stripe
NEW MARKS	Piramidal Orange Inflatable buoy

## 12. THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 12.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be displayed with one sound signal at least 5 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 12.3 The starting line will be between the staffs displaying orange flags on the starting marks.
- 12.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored did not start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.



### 13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line or move the gate) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

### 14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessels and the course side of the finish mark.

### 15. PENALTIES FOR BREACHES OF RRS 42

- 15.1 RRS Appendix P, *Special Procedures for RRS 42*, will apply, but changed as SI 1.3.

### 16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 16.1 Time limits in minutes are as follows :

Race Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finish Window
30	50	15

- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within the time stated in the Finish Window, after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 16.3 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress under RRS 61.4(b)(1). This changes RRS 61.1(a).

### 17. HEARING REQUESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Hearing request forms are available on the Race Office.
- 17.2 Hearing requests shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.3 The protest time limit is **75 minutes** after the last boat has finished within her Finishing Window in the last race of the day or the signal AP over A or N over A is made afloat, whichever is later. However, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the signal AP over A is made ashore.
- 17.4 The protest time limit will be set by and posted on the Official Notice Board by the RC.
- 17.5 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit for each fleet to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 17.6 Hearings will be held in the Hearing Room.
- 17.7 In RRS 61.2(b)(2) and 63.7(b) change 'On the last scheduled day of racing...' to 'On the last scheduled day of racing for each class'.
- 17.8 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a Scoring Enquiry Form available on the Race Office.
- 17.9 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted after racing each day.
- 17.10 **[DP]** Penalties for a breach of the class rules are at the discretion of the jury and may be less than disqualification."
- 17.11 All hearing requests, inquiries or declarations that are required by the notice of race or sailing instructions to be in writing and delivered to the race office. In case of any technical issues, paper forms will be available at the race office.

### 18. 15. ARBITRATION

- 18.1 Appendix T shall apply.



**19. SCORING**

- 19.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A shall apply to all races.
- 19.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a serie.
- 19.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score(s) as follows:

Races	Discards	Comments
1-5	0	No discard
6-11	1	One worst score excluded
12	2	Two worst scores excluded

**20. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 20.1 **[DP]** Rule 40.1 Personal Flotation Devices applies at all times afloat.
- 20.2 **[SP]** A competitor that retires from a race shall notify a race committee, safety or jury vessel as soon as reasonably possible and shall inform the race office immediately after returning to the shore.
- 20.3 **[SP]** Competitors not racing for any of the racing days shall inform the race office as soon as possible.
- 20.4 For purposes of safety, support vessels shall monitor the race committee working **channel VHF 69** but shall not transmit on this channel except in the case of an emergency.
- 20.5 When the race committee displays **flag V** with repetitive sounds, all official and support vessels shall monitor the race committee **VHF 69 channel** for instructions and assist in search and rescue operations.
- 20.6 Under all circumstances coaches and other support boats are expected to assist any boat in distress.

**21. [DP] [NP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**


- 21.1 **[DP]** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 21.2 **[DP]** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

**22. [DP] [NP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 22.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and SIs.
- 22.2 **[DP]** On the water or ashore, a boat shall comply with any instruction from the race committee, equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 22.3 Only one set of sails shall be used during the regatta. They shall be presented and registered during the measurement procedure.

**23. OFFICIAL VESSELS**

- 23.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:

<b>Vessel</b>	<b>Flag</b>
Jury	Yellow Flag with white "J"
Race Committee	Boats with letter "Apoio"
Safety Team	White with red cross flag 
Press, Media	Green flag with "PRESS"



## 24. [NP] [DP] SUPPORT VESSELS

- 24.1 All coaches and support vessel drivers shall complete the Registration Form no later than **April 01st, 2026**, agreeing to comply with the 29er Class Support Vessel Regulations (See **Attachment 4** in this SI).
- 24.2 All coaches and support vessel drivers shall confirm registration of their boats and submit the names and sail numbers of the sailors they are supporting at the race office, before the first racing day.
- 24.3 Support vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 24.4 If called upon, support vessels shall be required to act as rescue boats.

## 25. [DP] TRASH DISPOSAL

- 25.1 Trash may be placed aboard support boats or official vessels.

## 26. [SP] [NP] BERTHING

- 26.1 When berthed, boats shall be kept in their assigned place in the boat park. Boats shall not be moved from their parking spaces toward the launching ramps until **flag D** is displayed for the respective fleet.

## 27. [DP] [NP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 27.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction includes mobile telephones.

## 28. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT [DP][NP]

- 28.1 A boat or support team shall not use a drone over the racing area. However, a drone may be flown by a licensed company authorised by the Organising Authority to record video and still imagery exclusively for advertising and promotion.

## 29. PRIZES AND TITLES

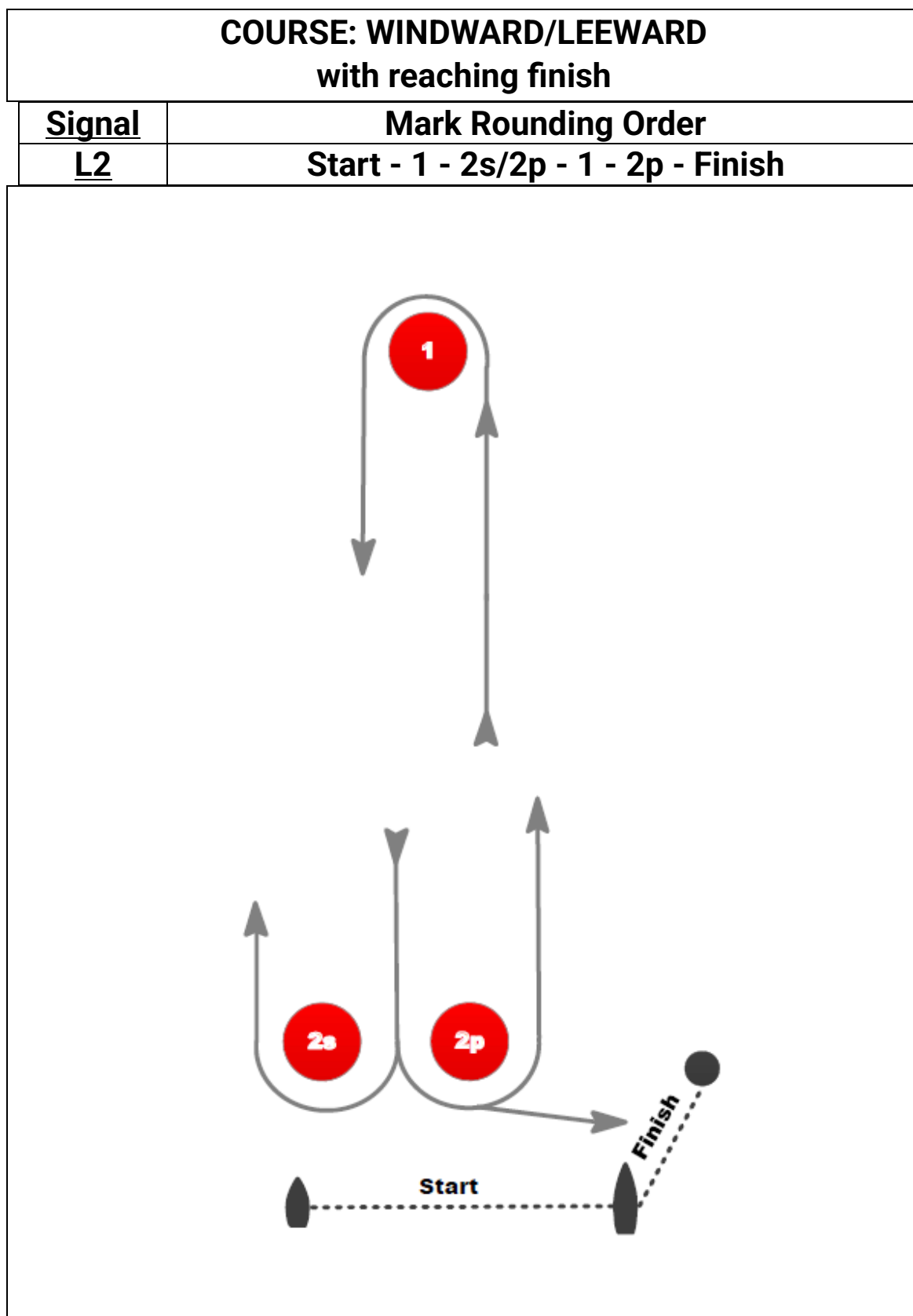
- 29.1 Prizes will be awarded in the following categories,
- a) 1st to 5th Overall.
  - b) 1st female crew (both crew members are female).
  - c) 1st youth crew (both members born in 2008 or after).
- 29.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

## 30. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND RISK STATEMENT

- 30.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.



## ATTACHMENT 2: THE COURSES





## Attachment 3 –WhatsApp Official Notice Board Group

Link:

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## **[NP] [DP] ATTACHMENT 4: Support Vessel Regulations**

### **Support Vessels shall carry the following Equipment on board:**

- Life jackets / buoyance aids for the driver and all passengers
- Engine kill cord (also known as a safety lanyard or automatic engine immobiliser)
- VHF radio capable of receiving instruction from Safety or Race Committee
- First-aid kit
- Device for making a sound signal
- Compass
- Adequate anchor for conditions and depth
- Tow rope
- Knife

### **Support Vessel Regulations**

- Support Vessels shall be registered with the Organising Authority and may be marked with numbers clearly displayed.
- Support Vessels shall follow Race Committee instructions on the designated VHF channel
- Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running
- Life jackets / buoyance aids - it is recommended that they are worn at all times when afloat and shall be worn in winds of over 10 knots or when motoring at more than 10 knots
- Support vessels shall not be positioned, except during rescue operations:
  - ✓ Closer than 100 meters of any boat racing
  - ✓ Within 100 meters of the starting line and its extensions from the warning signal until all boats have left the starting area.
  - ✓ Within 100 meters of any mark of the course while boats are in the vicinity of that mark
  - ✓ Within 100 meters of the finishing line while boats are finishing
  - ✓ In addition, support vessels that are motoring above 5 knots shall remain at least 150 meters from any boat racing.



## ATTACHMENT 5: STANDARD PENALTIES

The Race Committee or Technical Committee may apply standard penalties without a hearing. This changes RRS A5”

<b>6.2. Bow Numbers and Event Advertising</b>	
Not displaying the bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the OA – NoR 6.2	One point scoring in that race
<b>4. Berthing</b>	
Moving your boat from your berthing place before D is displayed. Sailing Instructions 5.2 & 26.1	One point scoring penalty in her first race of the day
<b>19. SAFETY REGULATIONS</b>	
Not notifying the race office when retiring from a race – SI 20.2	One point scoring penalty in her closest sailed race
Not notifying the race office when not leaving the shore for the day's races – SI 20.3	One point scoring penalty in her closest sailed race.

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## ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

### Organizing Authority | Autoridade

#### Organizadora:

Veleiros do Sul - VDS  
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