

Notice of Race 2023

North of The Netherlands

Version 10-11-2022



The Notice of Race presented in this document were drawn up to serve as directives for the race. Situations that are not covered by the Rules will be decisively resolved at the sole discretion of the jury.

Solar Sport One (SSO) event to be held in The Netherlands season 2023

1. Aim and purpose of the Solar Sport One events

- 1.1. The aim of the Solar Sport One events is to organize a top solar boat event in order to:
 - promote sustainable technology amongst the youth and more in particular students at technical universities and professional training colleges, supported by firms in (boat) technology.
 - stimulate the promotion and development of sustainable boats, in particular with respect to the application of solar energy in the shipbuilding industry.

2. Organizing authority/race organization

- 2.1. The organizing authority of the event is Stichting Solar Sport One.
- 2.2. On behalf of the organizing authority the Solar Sport One 2023 events are carried out under the management of the project director. The race organization can be contacted throughout the year on the following address:
Zwolsmanweg 16
8606 KC Sneek
The Netherlands
E: hello@solarsportone.org
Website: www.solarsportone.org

3. Rules

- 3.1. The race will be conducted subject to the provisions of this Notice of Race (NR), the current 2023 version of the Technical Regulations (TR), the current 2023 version of the Race Elements Catalogue (REC), the current 2023 version of the Race Instructions (RI) and the Inland Navigation Police Regulations (BPR = Binnenvaart Politie Reglement). Collectively, these documents form the Rules, with possible subsequent additions and/or amendments to be implemented by the race organization.
- 3.2. The organization reserves the right to amend the rules (as incorporated in the NR, TR, RI and REC) at any time. This will be done by means of publications on the organization's website.

- 3.3. All competitors in the race are expected to know and accept the Rules. The jury may penalize competitors who ignore or break the Rules. Penalties may vary from a reprimand to disqualification and exclusion from further participation.
- 3.4. All questions related to the interpretation of the Rules shall be submitted to the organization in writing. Any explanation of the rules, as well as answers to written questions, may be published on the website, (or the official notice board during the race) and be binding for all competitors.
- 3.5. In the case of a discrepancy between languages, English shall prevail.

4. Definitions (see Technical Regulations)

5. Events & races

- 5.1. 2022 races and racing schedule (provisional):

| Location/event | Date | Elements |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Providence of Noord Holland | May 31- June 3 2022 | A. Sprint |
| | | B. Endurance |
| | | C. Time Trial |
| | | D. Top speed |
| | | F. Slalom |
| | | G. Match Race |
| | | I. Speed Record |
| | | J. Ton's Race |
| | | Parade |

- 5.2. Routes, starting procedures and other specific race information will be published in the Race Advance Program. Unforeseen changes of the routes will be made known as soon as possible during the race.
- 5.3. The Organizer is entitled to conduct technical inspections of the vessels at any time of its own choosing. The participants are bound to cooperate with such inspections.

6. Race Advance Program

- 6.1 The Race Advance Program will be published at least one week before the start of the event on the website of the Organizer.

7. Vessel categories

- 7.1. The race is open to the following categories of vessels:

Open class boats: Solar powered boats with specifications as mentioned in the SSO technical regulations 2022 and a solar array as mentioned in TR rule **6.4.2**.

V20 class boats: Solar powered boats with specifications as mentioned in the SSO technical regulations 2022 and a solar array as mentioned in TR rule **6.4.3**.

V10H2 class boats: Hydrogen powered boats with specifications as mentioned in the SSO technical regulations 2022.

Young Solar Boats: Solar powered boats with specifications as mentioned in the SSO technical regulations 2022 and a solar array as mentioned in TR rule **6.2**.

Demo boats: All teams are welcome to participate in this event. For demo boats, per boat, a technical inspection and technical specification will be defined after subscription.

8. Racing numbers and publicity

- 8.1. Competitors shall install the racing number provided by the organization as specified in the TR 2022 rule 8.1.
- 8.2. Both the race organization and the competitors may be sponsored provided this is not in conflict with the moral standards and interests of the organization, at the discretion of the organizers.
- 8.3 By entering the event, competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the race and/or using the Championship facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.

9. Participation and registration

- 9.1. The Solar Sport One events are open to anyone with a solar-powered vessel that complies with the provisions of the Rules,

and that the skipper is not younger than 16 years of age provided that the boat is unable to sail faster than 20-km/hr.

- 9.2. Skippers of the competing vessels that are capable of a speed of more than 20 km/h must have a *Klein Vaarbewijs 1* (Dutch powerboat license) or ICC or comparable license from their own country. This implicates that the minimum age of the drivers of these boats must be 18 year or older.
- 9.3 Each participant will sign a copy of "The Notice of Race" as a certificate of participation and will thereby accept the contents of "The Notice of Race".
- 9.4 Dutch solar powered boats have to comply with the law: *Regeling registratie snelle motorboten 1997* (Regulation registration fast motor boats 1997). This means that all solar boats need to be registered with the RDW and show a registration number and have a registration certificate.

10. Liability and Insurance

- 10.1. The Organizing Authority and any other party involved in the organization of the race named in this document will accept no liability whatsoever for any personal or material damage (including but not limited to death, injury, consequential damages, etc.) sustained prior to, during or after the race.
- 10.2. All owners must lodge a copy in the English or Dutch language of a valid third-party liability insurance cover document for the vessel entered with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000,- (one and a half million euro) or the equivalent in the currency of the country of registration of the vessel, effective for the duration of the race named in this document.

11. Prizes

- 11.1. The following prizes will be awarded to vessels in each class based on the race score and depending the amount of entries;
 - o First prize
 - o Second prize
 - o Third prize
- 11.2. There may be additional prizes for the winner per class in a particular race element.

12. Additional information

- 12.1. Each team is responsible for its own transport arrangements, as well as for the transport of its vessels and all auxiliary materials. The vessels and the auxiliary materials must be capable of being transported via the public road in accordance with the rules of the *Wegenverkeerswet* (Road traffic act) by the teams themselves.

- 12.2. The organizers will provide all teams with information about camping, catering and other important matters via email and whatsapp.
- 12.3. During the event it is forbidden to charge the batteries of the boat from any other charging equipment then the solar panels installed on the boat itself, except for hydrogen boats.
- 12.4. During the event it is forbidden to fill/change hydrogen tanks without approval of the Technical committee.