

## **SUBMISSIONS FOR 2022 RACEBOARD CLASS AGM**

The deadline for submissions to be received is **12:00 hours UTC on 23 November 2022**.

A submission should be completed and returned to [piotr@internationalwindsurfing.com](mailto:piotr@internationalwindsurfing.com)

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All submissions will be acknowledged within 48 hours. If you do not receive an acknowledgment, please contact the Raceboard Class.

### **Proposal of varying racing routes reintroducing broad reach**

A submission from the FRENCH RACEBOARD CLASS ASSOCIATION

#### Purpose or Objective

To vary the courses with a better adaptation to raceboard concept as it was originally chosen.

The Raceboards, with very a great majority, were developed (and always these last years) were built for planning downwind with plate hulls. Originally, all the courses favoured a return with sailing with wind abeam / broad reach and with one or several gybes (W racing).

From the RS:X period, broad reach disappeared in raceboard races despite RS:X is well adapted to return downwind very near to the wind axis, because such kind of board is very large and more adapted for planning. At the contrary, 380 raceboards are thinner and remain more adapted for planning by broad reach, fast as well, and pleasant. All raceboarders who really practice enjoy broad reach.

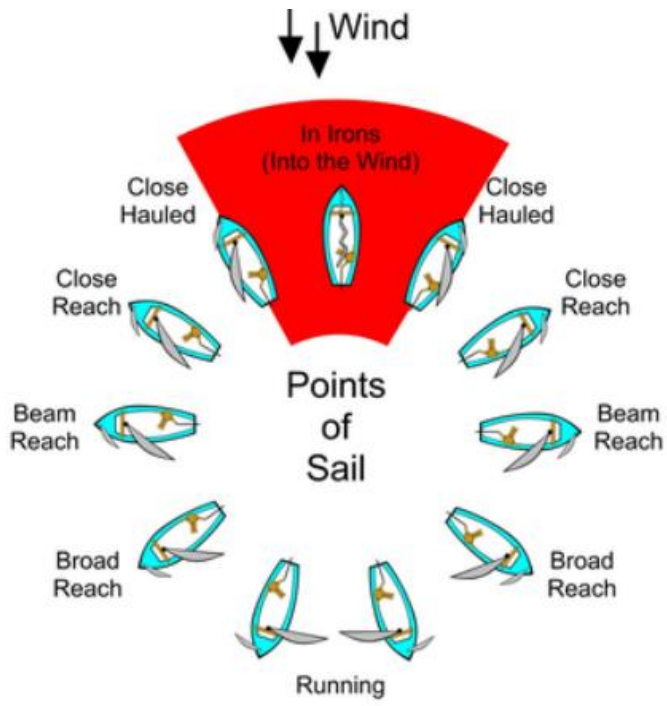
With pure downwind routes by running closed to the axis wind, bottom hull are more efficient upwind and downwind, in all wind conditions, even in high wind, as it has been recently proved by a 3bay board at the last French championship (winning the title).

#### Proposal

It is proposed to introduce new race courses in international events considering the re-introduction of broad reach, combined or not with pure downwind running as it is actually chosen.

For that, it is proposed to the IRC to create a technical commission with raceboarders who currently practice raceboard, to propose a technical manual for racing committees with several choices of racing. Such proposal will help also to vary the races during several days of racing. The final objective is to retrieve a greater part of a racing with planning associated to the "fun" we could expect.

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