

# SFT Pump Foil WORLD CUP, Leucate, France 18.-19.04.2025

It is a pleasure to announce the next Pump Foil event of the SFT WORLD TOUR 2025

which will be held in Leucate, France.

The dates will be from the  $18^{th}$  to the  $19^{th}$  of April 2025

This is a SFT World Tour event.

# Registration

### **Entry procedure and Registration**

All competitors planning to enter a SFT World Tour event shall register through the link on the respective event page on the SFT World Tour website or under the following direct link:

https://app.surffoilworldtour.com/

or via email to <u>tom@surffoilworldtour.com</u> or by other means to be specified by the SFT Sports Commission, no later than the published closing date for entries for that specific event.

The registration period and payment deadline will close on 18th April 2025. Late registration can be accepted but will result in an additional late-entry fee of 20.- Euro more (total entry fee 60.- Euro).

### **Entry restrictions**

The entry-fee for this event is 40.- Euro and a SFT membership (one event or full year membership) will be required.

Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency. In this case an amount of 40,- Euro processing fee will be added to the regular entry-fee.

In the case that the full amount of the inscription fee is not paid by the end of the announced inscription-time, the rider will not be allowed to compete.



## Payment Links

SFT Leucate Pump Foil Entry Fee (40 Euro): https://buy.stripe.com/cN217c6zK2uy1ZS01s

SFT One event membership fee (20euro): <u>https://buy.stripe.com/28o6rw8HS6KOawo15t</u>

SFT Full Year membership fee (40euro): https://buy.stripe.com/9AQaHM4rCglodIAeWk

## <u>Eligibility</u>

A competitor is eligible for any SFT event if he meets the following conditions:

- He has a personal medical insurance with worldwide coverage. A valid membership card or certificate, or other satisfactory evidence of worldwide medical coverage may be requested.
- The competitor cannot hold the SFT, the GKA Event Gmbh or the event-organizer responsible for any claims for damages as a consequence of the competitor not having sufficient personal medical insurance.
- The competitor cannot hold the SFT, the GKA Event Gmbh or the event-organizer responsible for any legal liabilities and/or any claims for damages by third parties caused by the competitor.
- He holds a valid competitor's membership with the SFT Wingfoil World Tour

### Entry allocation

There is an unlimited number of entries for this SFT Pump Foil World Cup.

#### **Disciplines**

There will be two official disciplines in this SFT World Tour event.

#### Pump Foil

### Divisions:

Pro Men Any age (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition) Pro Women Any age (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition)

#### E-Foil (separate race notice)

#### Divisions: Pro Men Any age (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition) Pro Women Any age (minimum 14 years old in the year of competition)

### **Seeding**

The seeding for this SFT Pump Foil World Cup will be based on the current SFT Pump Foil Ranking for the time trials. All competitors without ranking will be seeded by draw.



## Important Info

- All riders need to wear a helmet during competition!
- Competitors have to wear the official lycra at all times when proceeding to the water also during training.
- Each rider will get one competition riders' vest at the registration. Each rider is responsible for his competition riders' vests. In case of loss a replacement is not possible!
- Competitors shall wear the event advertising lycra vest supplied by the Event Organizer over all other clothing on the water at all times during the event and one SFT board sticker to be placed on the top and on the bottom of the board.
- All competitors are required to abide by the advertising rules as laid out in the Rule Book. Competitors breaching these rules may be warned in writing for the first offence and may incur a fine at the second offence of not more than \$ 500 for each violation.
- All rider meetings and opening/closing ceremonies in the schedule are mandatory to all riders. Please be on time and ready.
- Riders are not permitted to publicly associate their names in non-authorized parties/autograph sessions.
- There will be a social event-calendar for each side event that all riders must join via social media and share.

## **Membership**

- Every competitor needs to hold a valid SFT membership. The duration of SFT membership is from the first to the last event of the SFT season.
- Membership fees shall be determined by the SFT at the start of the year and may be changed at any notice during the year.
- Competitors are not fully covered by SFT membership. They must still prove that they have accident insurance and a civil liability. There may be a request for medical certificate.
- At the end of the inscription-time, the rider must be able to prove a valid SFT membership.
  Payments must be made via credit card. For certain exceptions, late payments can be made in cash at the inscription at the respective event. Cash-payments will only be accepted in Euros or USD currency.
- The cost of the SFT membership for this one event is 30.-euro. Competitors competing for the whole year are advised to pay the standard 60 € per year to cover you for all remaining events in 2025.
- The membership includes athletes' insurance for accident and third-party liability during the competition. Benefits are only provided in accordance with the current ERGO insurance policy. The SFT World Tour, the GKA Event GmbH or the organiser cannot hold liable for any legal and/or financial liability, losses, damages, which might occur from the participation in the competition/event.
- Please note that the insurance is only valid for riders not competing in their country of residence. Local riders are **not** insured through their SFT membership.

### Equipment storage

There will be no equipment storage on site.



## Travel info

The closest Airport to fly to is Perpignan, but most international flights connection is to Barcelona, Girona, Montpellier or Toulouse. Driving distances from the different airports are ...

- Perpignan: 30 minutes
- Montpellier: 1 h 20
- Girona: 90 minutes
- Toulouse: 2h
- Barcelona: 2hr 50

There will also be a flight deal with Air France / KLM where riders can insert the following code when booking flights with this airline.

AIR FRANCE -KLM Global Meetings and Events Reduction Code is 50426 AF

### The event address

Location:

Mondial du Vent

La Franqui, Leucate, France







### **For registration and meeting** The Golf, 3 Avenue de la Méditerranée in LA FRANQUI

## Organiser Contact:

Valerie Salles Email: <u>valerie.salles@orange.fr</u>

## **Travel documents and Visa:**

If an invitation letter is needed for riders, please email <u>liam@globalwingsportsassociation.org</u> and he will issue you the document.



#### Accommodation for competitors:

1. You can rent one appartement in the village of la franqui, via Airbnb, via abritel

#### 2. DOMAINE LA FRANQUI

Here are the applicable reservation conditions, as well as the reservation procedure for riders.

The promo code will be applicable for stays from Sunday April 13 to Monday April 21 (inclusive).

The accommodation allocated to this promotion is the "Atolls" accommodation, formerly Manyara Ecologes. There is no longer any distinction between 4 or 6 people.

The promotional code to apply will be "MDV25".

As in previous years, the code will give an additional 30% discount to all participants/riders. Reservations must be made directly at this address: <u>https://www.sandaya.fr/nos-campings/domaine-la-franqui/nos-locations/5</u>

#### Weather:

Leucate has a Southern European climate with typical spring temperatures that can vary a lot. The average air temperature can be between 24°C the highest and the lowest of 10°C in this time of the year. The average water temperature in April is around 13°C, so don't forget to bring a wetsuit. Sunrise is around 07.00h and sunset around 20.30h.

### **Event Schedule**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April

18:30-19:30 Riders registration at Residence Le Golf in La Franqui

### Friday 18th April

09:00-09.30: Late Riders registration at Residence Le Golf in La Franqui 09:30-10:30: Training 10:30 Riders briefing 11:00: Start of competition

#### Saturday 19th April

09:00: Riders Briefing 09:30: Start of competition 18:00 Prizegiving on event stage



## **Equipment**

- Only hydrofoils are eligible for use in competition. There are not any restrictions on the size, length and width of the quiver.
- There are no restrictions on dimensions or contructions of the boards.
- Footstraps, pads and wax are allowed.
- No propulsion assisted devices are allowed for the pump foil competition
- The use of a helmet is mandatory.

### Prize money

The total prizemoney for the SFT pump foil World Cup 2025 will be **5.000 Euro.** 

The top 6 male riders will share 3.500 Euro of the prize money based off the following breakdown;

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: 33%
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 25%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 18%
- 4th Place: 12%
- 5th Place: 8%
- 6th Place: 4%

The top 3 female riders will share 1.500 Euro of the prize money based off the following breakdown;

- 1<sup>st</sup> place: 50%
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 30%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 20%

### SFT World Tour

As a competitor, I agree to respect the racing rules and in particular:

- to display visibly the competitor-number attributed to me.
- to always wear the official event-competition-lycra when proceeding to the water (also during training) as well as during interviews, official presentations and on podium.
- to wear a safety helmet during the competition,
- to follow the recommendations and/or instructions provided by the crew.
- to place board stickers (SFT Wingfoil World Tour & Event sponsor) on the top and on the bottom of the board at all times during the event (competitions, interviews, media conferences, award ceremony...).
- to take note that all rider meetings, opening/closing ceremonies and media conferences requested by the Event Organizer are mandatory to all riders. I assure that I'll be on time and ready.
- I'm aware that a non-observance of this rule will incur a fine of up to 500 USD. Any competitor finishing in the top 3 positions who fails to attend the awards ceremony on time - without being justified by a force of major circumstance - will incur a fine equal to their earned prize money for the event. Furthermore, fine can incur an additional penalty of up to 1.000 USD and suspension for the next event.



#### Pump Foil competiton

#### <u>Format</u>

The Mundial du Vent 2025 Pump Foiling Competition will consist of various distinctive courses, designed to test different aspects of foiling skills. We will have 2 days of competiton on Friday 18th And Saturday 19th April, where daily winners are determined and the results of both days count towards the overall event result.

#### Event site



#### Friday18<sup>th</sup> April - Sprint race and Technical day (Shorter race)

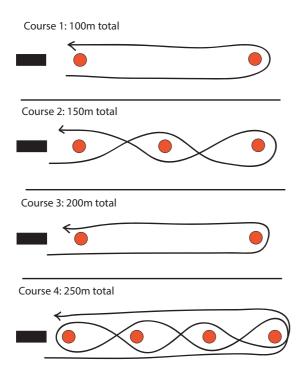
Course 1 is mandatory for seeding. Courses 2/3/4 might be elegible according to time and conditions available.

#### 1. Sprint Time Trial (100m, 2 buoys)

- \* Individual qualifying time trial
- \* Each competitor receives 2 attempts, with best time recorded
- \* In case of fall/crash/false start (red flag), one additional attempt is permitted
- \* Maximum of one crash recovery opportunity per competitor
- \* Results determine seeding for subsequent races



- 2. Sprint Slalom (150m, 3 buoys)
  - \* Course consists of 2 × 75m sections
  - \* Up to 2-4 riders competing simultaneously
  - \* Competitors navigate a technical slalom course at sprint speeds
- 3. Sprint Pump Race (200m, 2 buoys)
  - \* Course consists of 2 × 100m sections
  - \* Up to 2-4 riders competing simultaneously
  - \* Tests endurance and pumping efficiency
- 4. Slalom Race (250m total distance)
  - \* Course consists of 60m section completed 4 times
  - \* Up to 2-4 riders competing simultaneously



#### Saturday 19th April - Endurance day (Longer race format)

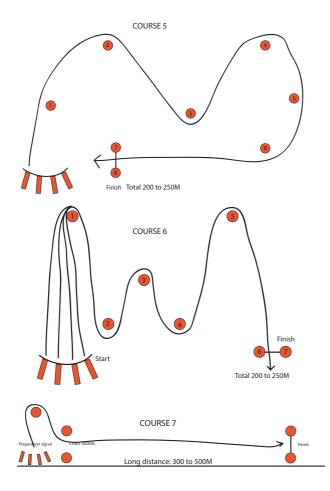
It will be decided between courses 5,6 and 7 according to time and weather available.

5 and 6. Pump race directional (event organizer will decide and post the course prior to the race in the skippers meeting) Distance will be determined depending of sea conditions (choppy, wind, etc)

- \* Course consists of different sections and turns marked by buoys.
- \* Up to 2-4 riders competing simultaneously
- \* This courses tests tactic, turns, endurance, speed and pumping efficiency

7.We will add a "long pump endurance race", we will send out the competitors in groups of 4. Top four fastest times of the fleet will face a final grand finale.





### **TIMING & JUDGING**

- \* Finish times are measured by stopwatch
- \* Timing begins at the designated start signal
- \* Timing ends when the competitor's chest crosses the finish line
- \* The contest director will determine and clearly mark all start/finish lines

#### DIVISIONS

\* Pro Men and Pro Women will compete on the same circuit

#### COMPETITION STRUCTURE

Depending on available time and conditions, the competition will follow either:

- \* Single elimination ladder format
- \* Winners of each heat advance directly
- \* Losers enter repechage rounds for a second chance
- \* Successful repechage competitors advance to secondary ladder



\* Competition continues until finals are reached

\* The single/Double elimination ladders will be made according to weather conditions

#### DETERMINING THE CHAMPION

The event champion will be determined by one of the following methods (to be announced before competition begins):

We will have:

Friday Speed technical champion Men and Women divison. Saturday Endurance Champion Men and Women division.

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- \* Option 1: Points-Based Day Champion
- \* Points awarded for performance on different Courses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, etc
- \* Competitor with highest total points is declared day champion

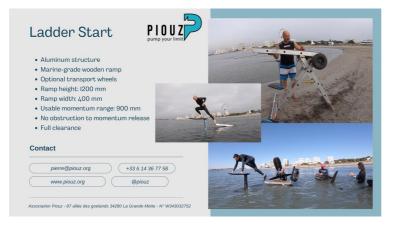
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- \*Option 2: Final Shootout
- \* Top 8 competitors (based on average scores from different courses) advance to finals
- \* Finals consist of two heats of 4 riders each
- \* Top 2 finishers from each heat advance to Grand Final (4 riders)
- \* Winner of Grand Final is declared champion

The Overall event champion is determined by the combined result of both days.

#### STARTING LADDERS

The starting ladder are provided by Piouz France: Height: 120cm Width: 40cm



Rules subject to modification by event organizers prior to competition. All competitors will be notified of any changes during the pre-competition briefing.\*



#### SFT Leucate, France Team 2025

Tour Manager: Tom Hartmann Contest Director E-Foil: Christophe Carpi Contest Director Pump Foil: Carlos Saez Social Media Manager: Ava Segersten

Any question please contact our Tour Manager Tom Hartmann at <u>tom@surffoilworldtour.com</u> We look forward to seeing you very soon!

The SFT Team