

# **SHANGHAI**

# **Grand Prix**

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**RACE INSTRUCTIONS**

## 1. Date of event – Venue – Organisation

The HORGOS BAIA BLU D'ORIENTE SPORT AND CULTURE COMMUNICATION CO.LTD (BBDO), authorized by the Chinese National Authority, "Chinese Motorboat Association"(CMA), under the aegis of the UIM is organizing in Shanghai, China:

2019 UIM XCAT World Championship  
Shanghai Grand Prix on 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2019

The Race will take place at Dishui Lake, Pudong New District, Shanghai City, China, and will be valid as:

- Round 2 of 2019 UIM XCAT World Championship

## 2. Provisional Race Timetable

Date	Timing		Activity
	<b>28 – 31 October</b>		
<b>Wednesday 30 October</b>	10:00	- 13:00	Fuel Available
	10:00	- 16:00	Crane Available
	13:00	- 15:30	Free Practice Available
	16:00		Technical Scrutineering
<b>Thursday 31 October</b>	08:30	- 10:30	Technical Scrutineering
	09:00	- 10:30	Registration
	09:00	- 16:00	Crane Available
	09:00	- 16:00	Fuel Available
	10:30		<b>Team Manager Briefing (Mandatory Team manager and ONE Driver each participating race boat)</b>
	11:00		Course Check including Start Procedure (Mandatory TWO Driver each participating race boat)
	12:00	- 13:30	<b>Official Practice (Long lap OPEN)</b>
	15:30	- 16:30	<b>Official Practice (Long lap NOT OPEN)</b>
19:00		<b>Drivers Briefing (Mandatory Driver 1 / Driver 2 / Team Manager each participating boat)</b>	
<b>Friday 1 November</b>	08:00	- 18:00	Crane Available
	08:00	- 18:00	Fuel Available
	10:00	- 11:30	<b>Pole Position</b>
	14:30		<b>SHANGHAI GRAND PRIX – RACE 1 START</b>
<b>Saturday 2 November</b>	08:00	- 18:00	Crane Available
	08:00	- 18:30	Fuel available
	09:00		Drivers Briefing – TBA BY BULLETIN IF NEEDED
	10:00	- 11:00	<b>Official Practice (Long lap OPEN)</b>
	13:00		XCAT Drivers Group Picture – Location Podium Area
	14:00		<b>SHANGHAI GRAND PRIX – RACE 2 START</b>
After Finish		<b>Shanghai Grand Prix Pole Position &amp; Race 1 &amp; Race 2 Prize Giving Ceremony (Podium)</b>	
<b>Sunday 3 November</b>	08:00	- 18:00	Crane available
	08:00	- 15:00	Fuel available
	08:00		Drivers Briefing – TBA BY BULLETIN IF NEEDED
	09:00	- 10:00	<b>Official Practice (Long lap OPEN)</b>
	11:30	- 12:00	<b>Official Opening Ceremony</b>
	12:30		<b>SHANGHAI GRAND PRIX – RACE 3 START</b>
After Finish		<b>Shanghai Grand Prix Race 2 Prize Giving Ceremony (Podium)</b>	
<b>3– 5 November</b>			<b>DISMANTLING AREAS</b>

## 3. Organizing Committee details

Horgos Baia Blu D'Oriente, Sports Communication & Culture Co. Limited, B4, Central District, Horgos International Border Cooperation Center, Horgos City, Lli Prefecture, Xinjiang, People Republic of China  
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## 4. Event Officials

UIM Event Management	
UIM Head President Office	Riccardo La Cognata
Logistic & Operation Director	Pasquale Sesana
Sport / Safety & IT Director	Sebastiano Pellecchia
UIM Officials	
Title	Name
UIM Commissioner	Denis Dillon
Race Director	John Muscat
Assistant Race Director	Hezaim Al Gemzi
Boat Safety	Sergio Abrami
Technical Engines	Frederick bastin
Thechnical Data Logger	Fabio Negro
Race Administrator & Time Keeper	Mohammed Al Sadi
Medical Delegate	Francesco Rutigliano
Safety Delegate	Sebastiano Pellecchia
Operation Officers	
Title	Name
General Affair / Event Secretariat	Mohammed Al Sadi
PR & Hospitality Manager	Claudia Caldesio
Travel & Accommodation	Maria Chiara verga
Media	Emanuele Ferraris di Celle
Photographers	Raffaello Bastiani
Rescue Team	Fabrizio Boffi
Protest Committee	
Title	Name
Chairman (by UIM)	Denis Dillon
Member (by .....)	
Member (by .....)	

## 5. Highlighted Information

### Reserved Areas

#### Timing Team Manager Area

For each racing boat will be available a space for a **maximum of 02 persons**.

#### Behavior Code

It is absolutely forbidden to move in the Paddock and in all areas related to Event shirtless and / or barefoot. For non-observance of this Rule, a **500 USD** fine will be applied to the related Team.

### Drivers Briefing – Teams obligations

Drivers' briefings shall be confined to **Drivers**, Team Owners / Managers and concerned officials only.

It is mandatory for one Driver from each team to attend the Teams course inspection at all venues, as specified in the Time Table. Penalty for not attend **USD 500**.

Its Mandatory for both Drivers of each participating boat to attend the Start Procedure Practice. Penalty for not attending **USD 500** for each non-attending Driver and start with Late Start Procedure.

It is mandatory for **Team Manager** and both first and second Drivers to be present at the main briefing and 1 of the 2 registered Drivers for the weather briefing together **with the Team Manager** (if held). Signing in for any briefing will begin 15 minutes before scheduled Drivers' briefing time. It is mandatory for all competing crew members to attend and sign in at the briefing. Penalty for non-attendance - **USD 700** fine per person and / or Disqualification. Drivers who are late for a briefing: Penalty **USD 350**. Drivers who leave the Briefings before the finish **USD 350** fine will be applied.

This Rule its applied to the Team Manager briefing also, if held.

Event Race Instructions may contain one mandatory Official Reception that competitors must attend. Penalty **USD 700**.

The use of mobile phones during briefing is strictly forbidden Penalty **USD 150**.

Sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited at all Drivers' briefings.

All racing crew and team members are required to be in team uniform at Drivers Briefings, race/ event functions and on race day, unless other requirements are published in the Race Instructions. Penalty for not respecting **USD 200**.

**DRIVERS MUST WEAR THEIR LIFE JACKET AT ALL TIME IN THE WATER, INCLUDING WHEN DURING THE COURSE CECK WITH UIM BOATS**

**DRIVERS MUST WEAR THEIR HEAD & NECK RESTRAINT WITH THE MANDATORY QUICK RELEASE SYSTEM AT ALL TIME IN THE WATER DURING ALL ON WATER OFFICIAL SESSIONS (PRACTICE – POLE – RACE)**

**USING CHIN GUARD OR SPIN-TYPE (FIXED MICROPHONE BOOM) HELMETS IS PROHIBITED. DRIVER WHO WILL WEAR THESE TYPES OF HELMET, WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.**

**OIL MAT AND ANY KIND OF SMALL DRUMS MUST BE UNDER ENGINES / GEAR BOX, WHEN ARE UNDER WORK IN THE PADDOCK.**

## **6. Logistical Information**

- The Shanghai Grand Prix will be closed **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November** to give access to the logistic team to work on the movement of the containers and boats.

## **7. General Conditions**

### **2019 UIM XCAT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP RULES APPLIES**

Entering and/or taking part in the race/event is an acceptance of all race risks and dangers, including the suitability of the race course and safety resources. It is the Driver's responsibility to drive according to all race/event conditions – course, weather and proximity of other competitors. The decision to race/take part is entirely the Drivers own decision and own risk.

XCAT races run under and in accordance with the current UIM Rule, applicable rules and any unforeseen actions will be judged according to the spirit of rules intent. Penalties and/or fines may be implemented by the race officials on a scale to reflect the severity of the incident when not better specified within the rules.

As fundamental rules - by participating in a race under these racing rules, each driver and team owner agrees to be governed by the rules, to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the rules subject to the appeal and review procedures provided therein.

Misconduct rules must be observed by all team crews throughout the duration of any event. Any behavior, which acts to disrupt the smooth running of the events the series or could be deemed to have brought the sport in to disrepute may be subject to penalties. Penalties applied: Blue Card for the infringement on Land Area – Yellow Card for the infringement on water. The penalty can be applied up to the Disqualification.

All persons involved in XCAT events are responsible to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of powerboating.

All crew are reminded that they are responsible for the safe conduct of their boat at all times.

For any reason that may be considered necessary, the race committee reserve the right to change the event/race program as detailed in the advance notice and / or race instructions. An up-date of information can be obtained daily from race secretariat. Penalty for non-compliance to any of the enclosed rules and regulations will result in a minimum penalty fee of USD 500= and / or may incur disqualification.

All official race bulletin - race result - weather forecast & any official notices will be posted on the event official notice board located outside the Event offices.

All smoking of any type is prohibited in paddock areas. The deemed area for non-smoking is in the Paddock & XCAT Pontoon, time keeping, event offices, staff canteen, inside the hospitality and the community interactive areas, craning area. Penalty for non-respect, USD 100 fine.

Official practice may take place only after registration and scrutineering has been completed satisfactorily. Practice runs will not be allowed outside of the official practice times and practice area.

Following boat recovery all boats are to remain in the paddock for removal of any mandatory TV or telemetry equipment.

## **8. Registration and Documentation**

### **8.1. TIME LIMIT**

It is mandatory that all participating competitors bring their boats to the Paddock Area by latest **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019 before 12.00**. Any late arrivals will liable to **USD 500 fine** and / or non-eligibility to compete, established at the discretion of the Event Race Director.

8.2. Registration will take place at the times stipulated in the Race Timetable, at the Race Offices.

8.3. All Documents required by the current UIM Rules must be produced at Race Administration.

Any alteration to the registered crew members or other details on the entry list will be allowed up to **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019** before the Drivers Briefing at 19:00. After this date, any infringement to this rule may result in the minimum penalty fee of **USD 500=**. Any person other than the racing crew wishing to embark on the boat for Practicing, will only be authorized if he has registered during Race Administration as Third Driver or Reserve/Test Driver.

## 8.4. Third Party Insurance Cover

We recommend that all racers to have a Third-Party Liability Insurance cover for personal and material damage to the minimum value of **USD 1,000,000.00/=**.

The UIM & Local Organizers shall not be held liable, directly or indirectly, for any damage, loss, expense, or injury incurred, sustained or suffered by the competitor on – land, or on –water, as a result of his/her participation in this event.

The Local Organiser provide a Third-Party Event Insurance for any damages, with the exclusion of the participating racing boats, value of **Euro 10.000.000,00**.

## 9. Technical Scrutineering

9.1. Technical scrutineering will take place at the Paddock Area at the times stipulated in the Race Timetable.

4 separate inspections will be conducted by the UIM Technical Officials, for each Team/Boat to be eligible to race.

- a. Boat Measurement
- b. Boat and Crew, Safety
- c. Engine
- d. Data Loggers

Crew will also be supplied with Event Sponsor Stickers. These must be permanently in place PRIOR to submission of the boat for scrutineering and their positioning must meet with the satisfaction of the Race Committee. The Race Committee reserves the right to remove any offending and/or conflicting material.

9.2. All boats submitted for Scrutineering should be absolutely ready to race with all safety and technical equipment required as per Technical Checklist and as described in the Current 2019 UIM Rules.

Boats may be scrutineered outside the times stated, by prior agreement in writing with the Race Director, and at his discretion only.

### 9.3. Technical Check & Cranage Procedure

**All boats will be checked, after the Official Registration, also before each on water session time.**

**The check will be performed on Paddock Area; as a result of this check, the Technical Officers will apply to the boat a "CRANE STICKER".**

**ONLY Boats with this STICKER are allowed to proceed to the Crane Area.**

**Any infringement to this rule may result in the minimum penalty fee of USD 500=, up to DQ.**

## 10. Boat Weight Rule Clarification

Min weight is 2400 kg, calculated including all safety equipment, and the Drivers in race clothing, including Helmet, Head & Neck restraint, Life vest.

## 11. Drivers Briefing

11.1. As per the RI's – Event Time Table.

The Drivers briefing will be held on **Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at 19:00** *(Mandatory for ALL Drivers & Team Manager for each participating race boat)*

**\*Signing-in for the Drivers Briefing will begin 15 minutes before the scheduled briefing time.**

11.2. It is essential that all competitors read and are fully conversant with the Race Instructions and any bulletins before attending the Drivers Briefing. All Drivers should have read all bulletins issued prior to the race.

11.3. During the Drivers Briefing, any updates on the Race Instructions will be given along with any weather forecast updates.

## 12. Pole Position - Qualifying

Full details will be described at Drivers Briefing.

Procedure

- A 45 minutes open to All participating and Registered racing boats;
  - No laps limitation
  - No Fuel available
  - ONE propeller change available
  - No weight can be removed or added
  - Milling Area Open
- At the end, after showing the Checkered Flag and Radio communication by Race Control, any racing boat, a part the first 5 classified, proceed, after the finish line, directly to the Pontoon.
- Any infraction to this rule will determine a DQ from Pole and will start on last position on the Race 1
- Time limit to enter the Race Course, 3 minutes from the end; after this limit no one will be allowed to enter, both from Pontoon or Milling Area; a RED flag at the Pontoon and radio communication from Race Control will determine the limit

- A 10 minutes break (to re set the timing system);
  - First 5 classified boats will wait in the Milling Area (communication of the 5 by Race Control);
  - All the rest of boats to return to the Pontoon;
- A 15 minutes open to the only 5 first boat classified in the first 45 minutes;
  - ONLY TWO consecutively timed lap are allowed (warming chute + 2 timed);
  - The 5 Racing Boats will start, one by one, according to the Race Control call;
  - From the Race Control call, to the effective entering in the warming chute, no more than 30 seconds are allowed;
  - No Fuel available
  - No propeller changes available
  - No weight can be removed or added
- At the end of the timed lap/s, each racing boat to proceed directly to the pontoon.
- Any infraction to this rule will determine a DQ from Pole and will start on last position on the Race 1
- If more than ONE racing boat will be penalized to start on last position on Race 1, the order will be following the Race Number; biggest number last, then the other/s

### 13. Race Course

The XCAT race will consist on:

**First/Start lap + 15 Race Laps + 2 Long Laps = Total Course 57.32 Nm**  
**The XCAT 70% rule will be First/Start lap + 10 Race laps + 1 Long Lap**

13.1. See Appendix 1 & 1a for Shanghai GP racecourse layout and buoy points and distances.

13.2. Description of Course Marks: Appendix 1 for Shanghai GP.

13.3. The Mandatory Long Laps, have to be done: THE FIRST from the beginning of the Lap 3, until the 70% of the total race and the SECOND ONE until End Race;

13.4. The non-operation of Long Laps will result: each Long Lap less, a Penalty Long Lap will be applied; all two mandatory Long Laps missed will result in disqualification

13.5. If the race, for reasons of force majeure, is stopped or shortened and a Long lap is not taken, 30 seconds will be added to the total race time for each long lap missed.

13.6. The Race Committee reserves the right to change any of the course marks for any reasons that may be considered necessary.

13.7. Boats at all times must pass through the lap timing/finish line T & T1, mandatory for each lap.

13.8. Any race boat leaving the Paddock at any time and as a late starter must follow the course as described in Appendix 2 (IN & OUT PROCEDURE).

13.9. Failure to complete the course correctly as described in the Race Instructions and/or at Drivers Briefing and/or any Bulletins issued will result in time added or lap penalties.

#### 13.10. Turn Buoys

Each individual buoy missed will result in a penalty lap.

1 x missed buoy = 1 Penalty Lap

Any boat failing to take Penalty Lap within 2 laps of Radio notice extra penalty lap will be applied

A complete turn mark missed = Disqualification

If the buoy is demolished, the team will be fined USD 850 for big buoy and USD 500 for small one.

In the event of a missing/absent buoy – Turn Marks, the driver must pass through the approximate geographic position referred to in Race Instructions.

The correct Buoy / Turn Mark passage will be assessed by the Buoy Observer Commissioner. His decision is final.

**Retaking of a missed buoy is not permitted = Penalty disqualification.**

**IN THE CASE OF PENALTY LAP BEING APPLIED ON LAST LAP – 30 SEC TIME PENALTY WILL BE APPLIED.**

## 14. Start Procedure

The full start procedure will be described at the Drivers Briefing.

20 minutes before the start, a **White Flag** will be raised in the XCAT Pontoon and the drivers will take their positions in their cockpits with their attention focused on race boat VHF channel 25. 15 minutes before the start, the **Green Flag** will be raised in the XCAT Pontoon and the Pace Cat Boat will call the race boats in Pole order, then all boats will leave the pontoon accordingly, following the Pace Cat Boat to proceed on parade onto the course as described at Drivers Briefing. Any boat failing to leave when requested by the officials will take last start place.

Following the parade, when the Pace Cat Boat will raise the **Yellow Flag** as described in the Drivers Briefing, boats have to start to line up side by side as described in preparation for the start. If any boat fails to keep position in parade with problems, other boats may pass, **maintaining their original position, gate and line.**

The boats will line up, next to and in order, adjacent to **astern of their LEFT-HAND SIDE RACING BOATS (for the Leading Boat – Pole winner, the Pace Boat TRANSOM is his reference)**, and maintain a distance of not more than recommended Maximum 20 meters -minimum 10 meters between them. When all boats are in position the **Green Flag** will be raised as soon as possible. A Yellow Card may be applied to a boat that damages the position of the other boats. The **Green Flag**, which indicates the start, will be raised when all boats are in line. The Pace boat will not advise boats to speed up or slow down, this is the sole responsibility of the Drivers.

The Pace Cat boat will determine the start when, finished the line-up, will have a clear view of the leading boat; it is responsibility of each other racing boats to maintain their start position. For infringement Penalty of 500 USD will be applied

In case of start procedure infringement, a **Red Flag** will be raised by the Pace boat. In this case, all race boat must proceed to the master area waiting for Pace boat restart procedure.

For Shanghai GP, Round 2, in case of RED Flag during the Start, the restart procedure will be a START SINGLE ROW, according to the Pole Position Order for Race 1 Start then Result Order of Race 1 for Race 2 Start and Result Order of Race 2 for Race 3 Start;

**The start chute will be divided by 3 separation gates, as described in the Drivers Briefing.**

**IT IS THE DRIVERS RESPONSIBILITY TO ARRIVE ON TIME IN THE START AREA FOR COMMENCEMENT OF THE RACE.**

The first inside mark of the course and the separation BUOYS procedure, will be described at Drivers Briefing.

Any race boat that causes danger to another race boat during the start and/or do not maintain his start gate line and/or his start gate position or is breach of any race rule or otherwise may be subject to additional penalties up to and including Disqualification.

After the first inside mark of the course, racing rule will be applied.

- If the boats line up with enough time to commence the start, the **Green Flag** will be raised at approximately 20/25 knots and confirmed by radio.
- All race boats must line up and remain at a constant speed in starting order; runs through the line-up is NOT permitted. – **Penalty: Lap / Time penalty.**
- If a race boat starts before the **Yellow Flag** is raised or in front/ahead of the Pace boat the penalty is disqualification.
- Penalties for infraction of the starting procedure are:
  - Interference with the starting procedure: – Lap / Time Penalty and if the driver had caused danger, a yellow card;
  - Should the bow of any boat be in front of the transom of the Pace boat when the green flag is raised: – Lap / Time Penalty.
  - Starting on the incorrect side of the Pace boat or in front of the Pace boat: – Disqualification;
  - Changing Line order or Gate order or gate order position: Lap / Time Penalty and if the driver had caused danger, a yellow card.

**Time Penalties will be 60 Seconds.**

## 15. Late Start Procedures

15.1.1. The late starter must contact the Race Director on race boat VHF channel 25 for permission before leaving the XCAT Pontoon. Failure will result in disqualification.

15.1.2. At any times during the Late Start procedure, the late starter must follow Late Start procedure showing on Appendix 2 IN & OUT Procedure and the Race Control direction.

## 16. Race Cancellation and/or Curtailment

In the event of a race boat capsizing racing will be immediately Red flagged, all boats must slow to a safe speed off the plane (No OVERTAKING) and make their way to the Pace Cat Boat milling area or the Pace Cat Boat may be used to slow the boats and continue circulating the course, in this instance laps under Pace Cat Boat count as completed laps. Alternatively, the Pace Cat Boat or Race Control may lead all boats to the pace boat milling area. In this instance the maximum time or number of laps will count whichever is soonest. Race may be re-started under Pace Cat Boat procedure.

## 17. Finishing Procedure

17.1. The Race will finish 60 minutes after the Green Flag when the lead boat passes through the Timing Gate/Finishing Line (T-11) following 60 minutes OR at the completion of the Race Length whichever is sooner.

17.2. All boats finishing must continue through the finishing gate and proceed to the Pace Boat muster area until all boats have crossed the finish line and await permission to return to the XCAT Pontoon. Infringement Penalty: Lap / Time Penalty.

**17.3. Following the Pace Cat, the first 3 boats must proceed to the Pontoon for the Podium Ceremony, as described @ Drivers Briefing. The first 3 winning boats have priority to the pontoon, all the rest of boats have to wait and receive authorization from Race Control to approach the pontoon.**

17.4. When in the Post race scrutineering area all hatches and equipment must be in place and not removed prior to authorization by the Technical Officer(s).

17.5. To be classified as a Finisher, competitors MUST not receive any outside assistance, collect other persons aboard etc. before reporting to the official Post – Race Scrutineering Area, and be cleared by the Scrutineers. Disregard of this rule will result in Disqualification. All boats returning from the Race MUST report to the Official Post – Race Scrutineering area and await instructions from the Scrutineers.

## 18. Retirement Procedure

18.1. In the event of retirement, the strobe light must be activated.

18.2. Boats, when retired, must report to Race Control by radio on VHF channel 25 and await instructions to return or follow the course In/Out procedure.

18.3. In the event of retiring, but subsequently repairing the boat, it is forbidden to proceed on the course.

## 19. Racing Vests, Helmets & Protective Clothing

Any crew found to be running without harnesses used or latches closed or without Head & Neck restraint, including the mandatory quick release system, will be disqualified.

## 20. Special Harbour and Paddock Conditions

20.1. All boats are to comply with the local speed limit of **6 knots within the XCAT Pontoon AT ALL TIMES. A fine of USD 500=** for infringement of this rule may be enforced.

20.2. The speed limit for all vehicles including motorbikes/quadbikes/scooters & golf buggies within the Paddock and Event precinct area is restricted to 10kmh.

20.3. All personnel operating a motorbike/quadbike/scooter must wear a helmet.

20.4. A designated smoking area will be provided within the Paddock Area. Smoking outside of the designated area is STRICTLY prohibited.

**20.5. The Shanghai GP PADDOCK will be closed each Event day from 09.00 pm to 07.00 am. Teams are not allowed, in this period, to have access to their boats and workshops. NON respect of this rule will result of a Fine of USD 1,000.00 up to other penalties can be applied by the Race Director. Cases of exemption requests will be evaluated by the technical commissioners and managed by the Race Director. The Area is under video surveillance.**

## 21. Launching and Recovery

21.1. All boat movements, launching and recovery instructions will be under the control of the Technical Official(s), to whom prior authorization must be sought at all times for use of crane.

21.2. 2 x cranes will be available for all launching. After Practice, Pole and Race recovery of boats will be by crane. Trailers must be fully serviceable with all necessary equipment for launching.

21.3. No liability will be accepted by the Organizers for any damage caused directly or indirectly whilst moving, launching and recovering boats, trailers or any other equipment.

21.4. No liability will be accepted by the Organizers for any damage caused directly or indirectly whilst towing back from sea any retired or damaged boats. It remains the Drivers sole and ultimate responsibility to rescue sunken and/or participating boats.

21.5. Once signed in and scrutineered, NO boat may leave the compound for any reason unless agreed jointly by the Race Director.



## 22. Prizes and Classification

22.1. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies will be awarded to:

- 2019 UIM XCAT World Championship – Race 1 & Race 2 & Race 3
- 2019 UIM XCAT Pole Position

22.2. It is mandatory that the crew of the first 3 winning boats come to the podium 10 minutes after the finish time of the race.

Penalty: **USD 500/=**. The only exception for not reporting to the Podium on time will be for medical reasons or technical problems. This must be verified and confirmed by the Race Director.

## 23. Results and Post – Race Scrutineering

23.1. Race Results will be posted at Event Offices as soon as possible after the race.

23.2. On finishing the race, all boats must go to the designated Pontoon for Post-Race Scrutineering and await instructions from Scrutineer.

23.3. Fuel tests will be carried out at random as part of Post-Race Scrutineering.

## 24. Safety

24.1. Competitors must be fully conversant with and must at all times comply with the International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea and such other safety measures promulgated in connection with this event.

24.2. It is the Driver's sole and ultimate responsibility to ensure the fitness of his boat and to decide whether or not to start and continue in a race once he has passed scrutineering.

24.3. Description of Official Boats on the Course will be described during the Drivers Briefing.

24.4. In the case of an incident or accident on the race course, a **YELLOW FLAG** will be flown by any "Rescue" boat. Race boats should keep a distance at least of 50 meters away from the boat displaying this flag.

24.5. Local Committee will try to prevent Commercial vessels, private yachts, and fishing boats from sailing in the Race Course.

24.6. Helmet with fix Chin Guard and 7 or Stilo Type are forbidden. Driver who will wear this helmet, will not be allowed to participate.

## 25. Official Practice

25.1. Boats are only authorized to test within the official practice times and must complete testing and be back in the XCAT Pontoon at the finish of session. A **fine of USD 250/=** will be applied for the first offence.

25.2. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** it is strictly forbidden to go outside of the practice area.

## 26. Outside Assistance

Re-fueling or outside assistance of any sort during the race is strictly forbidden. The Race Committee has the right to decide if there was outside assistance and this will result in disqualification.

## 27. Fueling

27.1. A 98 Octane Petrol Truck Station will be provided at the Paddock Area. Teams are **ONLY** permitted to use the official fuel provided by the LOC for their boats in the specified area and timings as per the Race Time Table. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a fine up to USD 1000 and/or may incur disqualification.

**The price of Fuel will be communicated at Registration**

27.2. It is strictly forbidden for the boat owners/ racers to store extra fuel in gallons or containers for use outside the event fueling times or designated fuel area. Team/Drivers infringing this rule penalty **DSQ**.

27.3. Decanting facilities will be made available in the event of force majeure.

27.4. Any fueling outside of the designated area or times must be only with the permission of the Technical Officer(s).

**Fuel receipts must be available for inspection when required by the UIM.**

## 28. Radio Requirements

28.1. It is mandatory for all crash helmets to be equipped with VHF radio communication headsets. Full use of VHF radio communication must be possible whilst wearing crash helmets. **HAND HELD RADIOS ARE NOT PERMITTED**

28.2. Radio Communications will be maintained on **VHF Channel 25**

(call sign: RACE CONTROL) Competitors should use at all times the **Race Number of their boat as a call sign.**

The reserve channel will be **VHF Channel 71**

28.3. Competitors & Team Manager / Radio Man must carry out a prior radio check with Race Control before leaving the pontoon for any practice, pole position and/or race session.

28.4. No boat may be allowed outside of harbor, before a satisfactory radio communication has been established with Race Control & their Team Manager / Radio man are in the Team Manager Area.

## **29. Race Bulletin**

If necessary, Race Bulletins will be issued and signed for.

## **30. Protest**

30.1. Protests and appeals must be in writing and delivered to the Event Secretariat within one hour of the official results being posted. Protest FEE is **350 USD**.

### **PENALTIES**

As a general rule, non-compliance and/or disregard to any of the enclosed Race Instructions, and/or UIM Rules, Race Bulletins, the Advance Notice, and any other official publications will automatically result in a minimum **penalty fee of USD 500/=** and/or may cause disqualification.

## **31. Environmental Rule**

*All persons involved in XCAT events are encouraged to minimize any adverse environmental impact of the sport of powerboating*

*The Team Owner is responsible for any disruptive environment, made by any Team member / crew, including any guests.*

Every action that causes harm to the environment, including non-respect of using responsibly containers for waste, dumping trash in the areas, etc., a fine will be applied.

In particular Team Owners are required to check that the Team members, including Drivers, leave all areas free from trash and plastic waste (bottles, etc.).

A Fine of USD 500 will be applied and debited directly to the Team, for not respecting this Rule. The decision of the Race Director is final

## **32. Course Details**

Course details for the for Shanghai Grand Prix

See appendices as issued:

**Appendix 1: Race Course**  
**Appendix 1a: Buoy Points & Distances**  
**Appendix 2: IN&OUT Procedure**  
**Appendix 3: Start procedure**