

“SailGP style” Format

- After 3 days of qualifying, the **top 8 boats** advance to the final day with carry-forward **points based on their ranking** (e.g., 1st place = 1 point, 2nd = 2 points, ... 8th = 8 points).
- All 8 boats compete in **2 races**, scored using standard low-point scoring (i.e., a boat finishing 1st gets 1 point, 2nd gets 2 points, etc.).
- After these two races, each boat's **total score** is the sum of their carry-forward rank and points from the two races.
- The **four boats with the lowest** cumulative **scores advance** to the Grand Final.

Grand Final:

- **A winner-takes-all race**: the first boat to cross the finish line wins the regatta, regardless of points from previous rounds.
- **Final podium positions** (1st–4th) are determined solely by the finishing order of this Grand Final.

Key Features:

- **Merit-based reward**: This format rewards consistent performance across the week
- **First-across-the-line** remains decisive
- **Lots of nations in the final**: racing more exciting to watch and increases the likelihood that more countries will pick it up
- **The number of races is set**, making it suitable for broadcast scheduling.