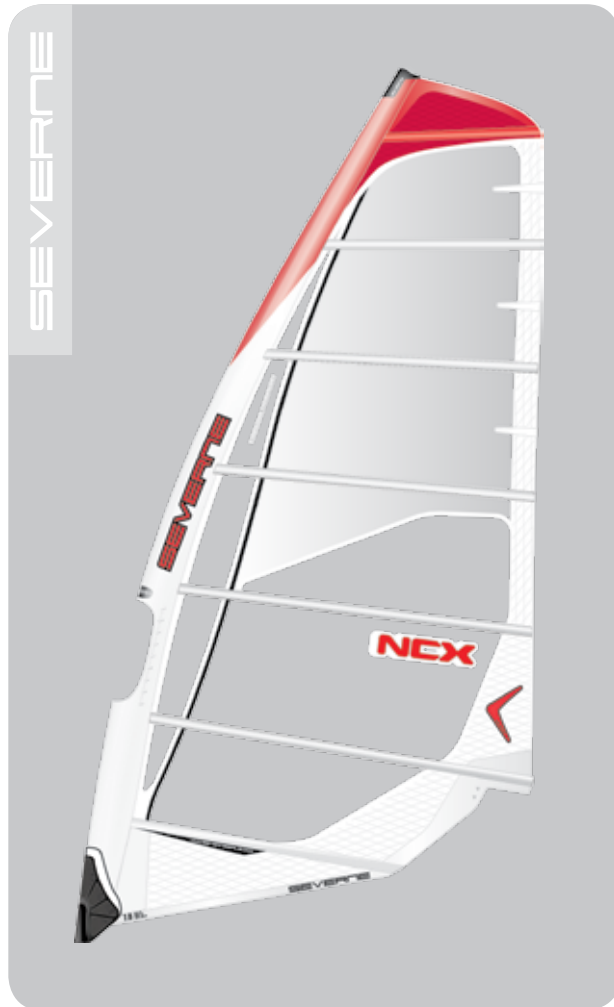


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SEVERNE NCX 7.0 (2011)



“A TURBO ENGINE FOR YOUR BOARD”

RIGGING FITTINGS:

- Tack : TRUE triple pulley
- Clew : 2 x eyelets
- Head : fixed
- Batten tensioners/ BTR key

DESIGN

A breakthrough in design, directly from Severne Race sails.

The 2011 NCX has a hi-performance definition, in spite of the no cam design.

NCX is also available in a “Pro” option that is built using lighter and more reactive materials for an increase in performance.

RIDING

Very light but with a remarkably strong construction and high quality fittings. With a very good tack pulley, it's a very easy sail to rig.

The light feeling is highly interesting and fun for a 7.0 rig. The sail sets a powerful shape, deepest near the bottom which settles it comfortably on the deck. Nothing moves and disturbs you. You feel a direct and quick acceleration without any effort. Stable and super easy on the arms, the NCX generates speed by itself. This type of rig makes sailing as easy as possible but at the same time gives a very high level of performance. The performance aspect

is not inconvenient for fun, but gives a positive acceleration to the board, as if the power were pulling directly through the mast foot without pulling through the rider arms at all!

It's the wind range where the NCX reminds us of a cam race sail. Clearly the speediest sail of the test! The more the wind builds, the more the speed increases. And the more the wind builds... the more the sail stays cool and easy! The fastest of the test with maximum control in high winds. The shape doesn't move at all and the feeling remains easy, even in strong gusts. If you shut your eyes, you can imagine a cambered sail in feeling, but easier for gybes and tacks, helped by the ultra lightness of the rig.

VERDICT

The performance and shape of the 2011 NCX are very near that of a cambered sail without the inconvenience of cams. You get all the qualities, ease and advantages of a no cam sail, rigging and sailing. Then, it's so fast, reactive and light that absolutely all the riders of the testing team were highly impressed by the Severne sail, whatever their weight or level. No problem to sail on a high performance freerace board.

+ : Performance, acceleration, top end speed, stability of shape, ease of use

- : Nothing.

