



NOTICE OF RACE

ZULULAND YACHT CLUB INHACA YACHT RACE

2019

INHACA ISLAND TO RICHARDS BAY

19 to 21 April 2019

Organised by Zululand Yacht Club

The Organising Authority hereby invites interested parties to submit Entries in terms of this Notice of Race.

1. THE RACE

- a. The race shall be from Inhaca Island (Mozambique) to Richards Bay (South Africa).
- b. The starting signal of the race will not be before 10h00 on 19 April 2019, providing that the Race Committee reserves the right, depending on the weather forecast, to alter the start time. Details of the start time will be announced at the compulsory briefing on Inhaca Island.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- a. The race will comprise of the following fleets,

- i. PHRF Monohull Class for monohulls - based on the ZYC PHRF Handicap Rating System for monohull yachts
 - 1. A minimum of 4 boats of the same class shall constitute a class within the PHRF Monohull class.
- ii. PHRF Multihull Class for Multihulls - based on the ZYC
- iii. PHRF Rally class for monohull yachts-based on the ZYC PHRF Rally Handicap Rating System.
- iv. PHRF Rally class for multihull yachts - based on the ZYC PHRF Rally Handicap system.

3. THE RULES

- a. The rules, as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2019-2020 ("RRS") of the International Sailing Federation subject to changes made in terms of this Notice & the Sailing Instructions.
- b. The prescriptions and special regulations of South African Sailing (SAS), as may be applicable.
- c. The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) as applicable in terms of this Notice and the Sailing instructions.
- d. In the event of dispute the rules shall take precedence in the reverse order as listed above.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. The Sailing instructions will be issued to all competitors prior to the start of the race.

5. REGISTRATION/ENTRIES

- a. Entries shall be submitted on the form supplied by the Organizing Authority together with the entry fee and all additional documents specified below, to reach the Race Secretary no later than 13h00 on Friday 29 March 2019.
- b. Late registration shall take place on Inhaca Island on Wednesday 17 April 2019 from 18h00 to 19h00, after which registration shall close (venue to be confirmed).

- c. Early-bird entries will be accepted until Friday 01 March 2019 whereby the entry fee of 1 crew member will be waived i.e. R500.00 discount.

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d. Late Entries may be accepted up until 19H00 on Friday 12 April 2019 at the discretion of the Organising Authority, subject to the inclusion of all specified documents and the specified Late Entry Fee of R850.00 per yacht.

e. In accordance with RRS 76.1 the Organising Authority may reject or cancel the entry of a boat that does not comply with the conditions of this Notice of Race.

7. ENTRY FEE

- a. The Entry fee is R850.00 per boat and R500.00 per crew member.
- b. Entry Fees are non-refundable.
- c. Late Entry Fee is R850.00 in addition to that of 7.a. above subject to the discretion of the race committee.
- d. Fees may be paid in cash or EFT into the following account,

First National Bank, Richards Bay

[Acc No: 62301350401](#)

Branch Code: 220830

Email proof of payment to:-
admin@zyc.co.za

8. DOCUMENTATION TO BE LODGED WITH THE ENTRY FORM

- a. Crew list in the form supplied by the Organising Authority.
- b. Proof of qualification of the Skipper.
- c. Proof of membership of a National Authority or affiliates Association for the Skipper.

- d. First Aid Certificates or acceptable equivalent as per the requirement.
- e. Class Measurement and Rating Certificates, as required.
- f. Colour photograph of the boat under sail, no older than 12 months and suitable for search and rescue purposes. This may be a digital photo of a size not less than 6cm by 6cm with a resolution not less than 300 DPI.
- g. List of Spinnakers to be carried on board, describing colours and designs, and wording of any printed material thereon.
- h. Certificate of Currency of Insurance, in English, with details of the cover and the insurer.
- i. Indemnity signed by each crew member (including their Identity Number.)

9. CHANGES TO SUPPLIED DOCUMENTATION

- a. Documentation supplied to or held by the Organising Authority under this Notice of Race (other than crew lists and rating certificates) shall not be changed (except to correct errors or after protest) after 18h00 on Friday 29 March 2019.
- b. A boat's rating certificate shall not be changed after Friday 29 March 2019 or after a rating protest or to correct a rating office error.
- c. A boat's crew list may be changed to correct errors, to amend for late crew changes or after protest, but shall not be changed later than two hours prior to the starting signal. After any change to a crew list, the boat shall still satisfy the general requirements of this Notice.
- d. Changes to the crew or details of any crew member shall be notified on forms available from the Organising Authority.

CREW REQUIREMENTS

- a. The Skipper shall be a member of an ISAF affiliated National Sailing Authority in terms of RRS, Appendix 2 (21.1) (ISAF Eligibility Code).
- b. The minimum number of crew on a boat is 2 (two.)
- c. At least one person on board shall have a recognised SAS Certificate of Competency (or equivalent) of at least a Coastal Skipper Certificate.
- d. At least one crew member on a boat shall hold a first aid or equivalent qualification, or be a practising medical practitioner.

- e. All crew shall have a working knowledge of all safety equipment on board the yacht.

11. BOATS SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- a. All boats shall be SAS Category "A" Safety Rated.
- b. All boats shall be equipped with:-
 - i. A handheld GPS Unit with a full set of charged batteries.
 - ii. A handheld Compass.
 - iii. A handheld VHF Radio with fully charged power supply.
- c. All EPIRB's shall have the units bracket permanently fixed to the boats structure.
- d. The Life raft shall be tethered at all times during the race to a suitable position on the boat in terms of its operating instructions, and the Life raft shall at all times be so fitted and positioned to allow a deployment time of no more than 15 seconds. The Boat's crew may be requested to prove this during its safety audit prior to the start of the race,

12. INSPECTIONS

- a. All boats entered in this race shall comply with all safety regulations prior to the start. The Race Committee may carry out inspections to ensure compliance, at their discretion.
- b. Boats shall be made available for inspection to audit safety regulation compliance and all safety equipment shall be readily available for inspection prior to the start. Spot checks may also be carried out after a boat finishes.

13. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- a. BOAT REQUIREMENTS
 - i. Mono Hull Boats shall be self-righting.
 - ii. Boats shall be on the register of a yacht club affiliated with its National Authority.

- iii. Boats shall have an overall length (LOA) not more than 30 meters and not less than 8.0 meters and a waterline length (LWL) not less than 7 meters.
 - iv. All boats shall have the required Foreign Passes.
- DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

- a. The decision of the Organising Authority as to the eligibility of any boat and/or her crew shall be final and binding and will not be grounds for a request for redress, nor will any correspondence relating to their decision be entered into.

15. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- a. The owner or charterer of a boat entered in the race shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy with respect to the boat current when racing, with a sum insured of not less than ZAR 2.5 million (or its equivalent in another currency).

16. BINDING NATURE OF ENTRY

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- a. By submitting an Entry, the Owner or Charterer and the Skipper agrees to be bound by all Rules or other provisions of this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

18. PRIVACY

- a. Personal information about owners, charterers and crew members is obtained in the entry documentation. That information may be given to search and rescue authorities and organisations, the Water Police, volunteer coastal stations and media representatives, and may be passed on by them to other organisations. This is a condition of entry.
- b. Crew members may obtain access to the information held about them by contacting the Organising Authority.

19. TIME LIMITS

- a. The cut-off time, by when competitors in all divisions must have crossed the finish line in order to be classified as official finishers, will be 14h00 on Sunday 21 April 2019. Any yacht failing to cross the finish line by this time will be regarded as not having completed the Race or Did Not Finish.
- b. The Race Committee may, however, extend the time limit should they deem it necessary to do so.

20. OVERALL WINNERS

- a. The overall winner of this race is the boat that wins the overall ZYC PHRF handicap category
- b. The line honours winner shall be the first boat to cross the finish line.
- c. The Monohull Class winner shall be the first Monohull boat to finish on corrected time(PHRF).
- d. The Multihull Class winner shall be the first Multihull boat to finish on corrected time(PHRF).
- e. The "One Class" Winner/s shall be the 1st boat to finish within a single design of boat, where a class is represented by no less than four boats of one design.

The winner of the Monohull rally class shall be the first Monohull rally boat to finish on corrected time(PHRF).

- g. The winner of the Multihull rally class will be the first Multihull rally boat to finish on corrected time(PHRF).

21. SCORING

- a. DEFINITION: "Elapsed time" shall mean the elapsed time in hours minutes and seconds between a boat Start and her Finish measured on Universal Standard Time (UST)
- b. ZYC PHRF CLASS: Results will be calculated by the application of Time Correction Factor (TCF) as a multiplier of elapsed time. The boat with the lowest corrected time (after application of scoring penalties, if any) will be scored first. A boat's Performance Handicap Rating Factor (PHRF) will be determined by the Race Committee or its nominee. Allocated TCF's will be posted on the Official Notice Boards by 17h00 on 17 April 2019, and any protest relating to these TCF's shall be submitted to the Race Secretary in writing for consideration by the Race Committee whose decision shall be final. A boat's TCF shall not be subject to protest after two hours prior to the start time.

21. CHANGES TO THE RRS

- a. RRS 41: Whilst racing a boat may retrieve weather routing data from any source.
- b. RRS 61.3: There is no time limit on protests lodged by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee. No other protests may be filed after 2 hours from the finishing time of the last boat.

22. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARDS

- a. The Official Notice Boards shall be notice boards bearing the name of the Race and shall be located both at Inhaca Island (venue pending), and the Zululand Yacht Club.

23. BRIEFING

- a. A voluntary briefing shall be held in the Pelican Bar at Zululand Yacht Club at 18h00 on Wednesday 10 April 2019 for all Skippers and crew.
- b. A Compulsory briefing shall be held at (venue to be confirmed at 1st briefing) Inhaca Island, at 18h00 on Wednesday 17 April 2019.
- c. It is a requirement that all skippers or navigators attend this briefing, and the Host Club shall maintain an attendance register. Any boat without representation by either Skipper or Navigator, may not be permitted to start the race, and could be excluded from the event.

24. EVENT CLASSIFICATION (ADVERTISING)

- a. Advertising on a boat shall comply with the requirements of RRS Appendix 1 (ISAF Advertising Code) for Category C.
- b. The Organising Authority may decline to accept an application for entry of a boat which, in its opinion, is carrying advertising which conflicts with governmental regulations, or is in competition with the event Sponsors.
- c. In any case of doubt, the Organising Authority should be consulted as soon as practicable.
- d. An application for entry shall contain brief details of all advertising that a boat intends to carry.
- e. The Organising Authority shall be advised of all changes to that advertising.
- f. A boat shall display the race sponsor's bow decals, backstay flags and forestay flags in accordance with this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions (RRS Appendix 1, regulation 20.3.1(d)) if so supplied by the Organising Authority. Prior to starting, and after finishing, the boat shall display the event flags.

25. TRACKING DEVICES AND CAMERAS

- a. A boat may be required to carry a tracking device supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- b. A boat on which such a unit fails or ceases to operate may be required to provide additional position reports by radio in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- c. The Organizing Authority also reserves the right to place a camera on board any boat for media purposes.
- d. Failure to carry and operate a tracking device or to carry and operate a camera when required will lead to the cancellation of an entry or the disqualification of the boat from the race (refer RRS 76.1).

26. SAIL IDENTIFICATION

- a. A boat shall comply with SAS prescriptions to RRS Appendix G, Identification on Sails. A South African registered boat chartered or borrowed by an international entrant may carry on the mainsail the national letters of the country represented, but may have local sail numbers on other sails (amends RRS Appendix G).

27. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- a. RRS 44.2 - A two turn penalty, including 2 tacks and 2 Gybes, will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2 from the time of the preparatory signal for each respective class, until 120 minutes thereafter.
- b. RRS 44.3 - Scoring Penalty will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2 outside of these times. RRS 64.1 - Scoring Penalties may apply at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- c. The scoring penalties will be applied in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.
- d. Rally class competitors must declare engine run times. Every hour or part thereof will be added to the total elapsed race time.

28. DISCLAIMER

- a. All those taking part in the race do so at their own risk and responsibility. Crew members must acknowledge this, and release the Organising Authority, its Sponsors and their respective officers, employees, volunteers and members, from all liability by signing a disclaimer and acknowledgment of rights form, as supplied by the Organising Authority. Specific attention is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4, which states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone"

29. TROPHY PRESENTATIONS

- a. Awards shall be made at the official Prize giving, which shall be held at the Zululand Yacht Club at 18h00 on Sunday 21 April 2019.

30. AMENDMENTS

- a. The Organising Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the Official Notice Boards.