

# **THE MSC REGATTA 2015**

incorporating

**The J/22 CLASS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015,**

**The L26 PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015**

and including

**A Regatta Championship for any One-Design, Racing or Cruising Keelboat and  
any Racing or Cruising Category 2 offshore Multihull yacht**

will be sailed at

**The Point Yacht Club, Durban**

from

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 3<sup>th</sup> July 2015**

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## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-16.
- 1.2 The following prescriptions of South African Sailing (SAS) will apply: **"The SA Sailing Requirements for National and Provincial Championships"**.
- 1.3 Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2013-16, the International J/22 Class Rules, the L26 Class Rules, or any other qualifying Classes, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Boats participating in the International J/22 National Championships may carry a second spinnaker provided that it conforms to the International J/22 Class Rules. This alters 8.4 of the International J/22 Class Rules.
- 1.5 The standard International norms for regatta wind strengths and course lengths for the International J/22 class apply.

### **2. ADVERTISING**

- 2.1 Advertising permitted subject to the limitations of ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats shall be required to display event advertising on the forward part of the hull. Yachts shall not display any advertising which is in conflict with that of any official event sponsor without the written consent of the Race Committee.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 In accordance with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (Helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SAS or their Member National Authority in the case of non-South Africans. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form or crew list. Current valid SAS Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.
- 3.2 All J/22 class boats and helmsmen must be paid up members of the International J/22 Class Association. All J/22 boats must hold a valid measurement certificate which must be produced at registration.

- 3.3 All L26 class boats and helmsmen must be paid up members of the L26 Class Association. All L26 boats must hold a valid measurement certificate which must be produced at registration.
- 3.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to:

**The Regatta Secretary,  
P O Box 2224,  
Durban, 4001**

or

by faxing the completed entry to

**031 305 1234**

or

by email to

**sailing@pyc.co.za**

by one hour before warning signal for the start of the first race.

Bank :	First National Bank
Account No. :	50845714233
Ranch Name :	Smith Street
Branch No :	250655
Ref :	MSC Week 2015 and YOUR NAME

- 3.5 In cases of electronic or faxed entry, confirmation of payment shall clearly bear the following reference **MSC Week 2015** and be faxed or e-mailed, together with the Entry, to the Regatta Secretary.

**4. FEES**

- 4.1 Entry Fee:

J/22 Class : R500.00 per boat

All other classes : R400.00 per Boat & Skipper plus R90.00 per crew member.

- 4.2 All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of Registration. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as Did Not Compete until such time as the required payment/s are made. This changes rule A11 (DNC).

**5. SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 Registration:

Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	From 09h00	To 16h00
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- 5.2 Measurement and inspection:

Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	From 09h00	To 16h00
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Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	From 09h00	To 16h00
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- 5.3 Dates of racing:

Sunday 28th June	14h00	Warmup race in Durban Bay
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Monday 29th June to Friday 3<sup>th</sup> July. Warning signal for the first race of the day at 10h55.

- 5.4 Number of races:

Racing Classes:

IRC Class 1, Micro-Multihulls - Maximum 12 races (incl. Middle Distance Race).

IRC Class 2, J/22, L26, other racing classes – Maximum 15 races (incl. possible Middle Distance Race).

MSC Racing Class - Maximum 5 races.

- 5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for offshore racing is 10h55 except for the Medium Distance Race where the scheduled time of the warning signal is 10h25.

**6. MEASUREMENTS**

Each One-Design/IRC Class boat shall produce a valid measurement/rating certificate. In addition spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta.

**7. ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION**

- 7.1 While racing, boats in the J22 class shall display bow numbers. Competitors who require new bow numbers must contact the SA J/22 Class Association prior to the regatta to comply and receive instructions for their use and position.

**8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available from the Regatta Secretary on completion of registration formalities.

**9. VENUE**

Racing will take place from the Point Yacht Club offshore Durban.

**10. THE COURSES**

Racing courses will be as depicted in the diagram in Annexure #A and Annexure #B.

The course for the Middle Distance Race will be posted in detail on the Official Notice Board.

MSC Racing class course configurations will be posted in detail daily on the Official Notice Board.

**11. PENALTY SYSTEM**

For all classes, with exception of the J/22 class where the rule is unchanged, Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

**12. SCORING**

- 12.1 Low Point System of Appendix A4.1 will apply.

- 12.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 12.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.
- (d) When 15 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her three worst scores.

**13. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

In order to qualify as a National Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- A minimum of ten valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race.
- At least ten finishers in any two races of the series.
- At least four races completed.

**PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

In order to qualify as a Provincial Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- A minimum of five valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race.
- At least five finishers in any one race of the series.
- At least four races completed.

**REGATTA CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

In order to qualify as an MSC Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- A minimum of three valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race.

- At least three finishers in any one races of the series.
- At least four races completed (two races for the MSC Racing class).

#### **14. SAFETY**

- 14.1 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.
- 14.2 All competitors shall have a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight on board at all times while afloat in a yacht.
- 14.3 Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!
- 14.4 Notwithstanding any class requirements, all boats shall carry the following minimum safety equipment :- Exceptions may be made for certain classes at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Minimum two litres fresh water, at all times

Minimum one serviceable fire extinguisher.

Minimum one stout bucket with lanyard attached

One anchor suitable for the size of boat, together with chain and min' 20m warp.

One lifebuoy.

Minimum 20m tow rope.

Serviceable inboard or outboard motor.

- 14.5 It is recommended that all boats carry the following: -
- One VHF transceiver with at least channels 6, 9, 12, 16 & 26.  
(“Durban Port Control” operates on Channel 9.)
- One First Aid kit.

#### **15. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 15.1 Coach or individual support boats shall be marked with a **White Flag** and shall remain no less than 150m from areas where boats are racing, between the Preparatory Signal and the last competitor finishing the race. Failure to comply shall result in action from the Protest Committee.

#### **16. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

#### **17. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

#### **18. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**19. PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 19.1 **SAS Medals** will be presented to competitors in the L26 and J/22 Classes in accordance with the SA Sailing requirements for National or Provincial Championships and in accordance with the following table and subject to the Classes qualifying for Championship status:

<b>MEDALS</b>	<b>L26</b>	<b>J/22</b>
GOLD	5 to 7	10 to 14
GOLD & SILVER	8 to 11	15 to 19
GOLD, SILVER & BRONZE	12 or more	20 or more

- 19.2 **MSC Awards** will be presented to all competitors in accordance with the following table and subject to the Classes qualifying for Championship status:

<u>Qualifying Boats</u>	<u>Awards</u>
3 to 6	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> positions
7 or more	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> positions

**20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**21. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat is encouraged to carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance to cover any liability arising during the event.

**22. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact:

Regatta Convenor : Ron Pet                      pet@glenwoodhighschool.co.za

Regatta Secretary: Lucy de Freitas              sailing@pyc.co.za

**23. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NOT FORMING PART OF THE NOTICE OF REGATTA)**

- All boats whose entries are received by the Race Secretary by close of business on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015 will receive one free regatta T-shirt for each member of her crew.
- A limited number of camping sites are available at the PYC dinghy park.
- A welcome cocktail function will be held at 18h30 on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2015 in the PYC Islander Room to which all competitors are invited.
- There will be a complimentary meal and drink for each competitor on 29, 30 June and 01 and 02 July 2015.
- A Prize Giving function will be held at 18h30 on Friday 3<sup>th</sup> July 2015 in the PYC Islander Room to which all competitors are invited.
- A crane is available from 14h00 to 16h30 on Saturday, 27 June 2015 and from 09h00 to 12h00 on Sunday, 28 June 2015 to launch J22's and from 15h30 to 17h00 on Friday, 03 July 2015 and from 08h00 to 10h00 on Saturday, 04 July 2015 to take J22's out of the water.
- Shipping of boats to and from Durban from Cape Town will be provided free of charge to competitors (subject to size and weight limitations) by The Mediterranean Shipping Co. A completed, paid up entry is required to qualify for this facility. As in previous regattas, it is anticipated that all port charges will be waved (to be confirmed).
- Visiting boats from inland waters beyond KZN will be compensated with a travelling allowance of R800.00 per entry.