



Notice of Race

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Objective

To provide a premier world class ocean race for the participation of qualified ocean racers and cruisers.

Organising Authority (OA)

The Royal Cape Yacht Club (RCYC), under the auspices of South African Sailing (SAS), and with the cooperation of the late Clube do Rio De Janeiro (ICRJ).

1 RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 The following rules will also apply:

- a) International Measurement System Rule (IMS).
- b) ORC Rating Systems Rule (ORC International and ORC Club) for monohulls.
- c) Texel Rating System Rule for multihulls.
- d) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 1 (Monohull and Multihull)

1.3 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

1.4 No National Prescriptions will apply.

1.5 All times given are Bravo Time Zone (B), being UTC+2.

1.6 Rule changes:

- a) Doublehanded monohulls are permitted to use self-steering devices and automatic pilots. This modifies RRS 52.
- b) Refer to ORC Rating Systems for various changes to RRS (RRS49.1; 51; 52).
- c) RRS78.2 is deleted; valid rating certificates must be presented on entry. Any changes or modifications to certificates must be submitted no later than 1200B 13 December 2019.
- d) Changes to the RRS in this Notice of Race per NOR 11.2, 12.2 and 12.3
- e) The sail limits defined in the table of ORC 206.1 are changed as follows:
 - A spare mainsail may be carried as a bona fide replacement for a mainsail damaged during the race.
 - The applicable combined total of spinnakers and headsails allowed in each CDL column in the table may be allocated at the discretion of the competitor, provided that at least two spinnakers and two headsails are included. (The limit is the combined total of spinnakers and headsails, not the limit of each type.)

2 SAFETY

2.1 Boats must submit a completed and signed Inspection Card for OSR Category 1 Monohull or Multihull with all required crew and equipment certificates no later than 1200B 2 December 2019. Confirmation of the correction of all deficiencies noted on the completed checklist and certificates

for MOB drill and lifejacket inspection must be provided to the OA no later than the time of check-in in Cape Town. Check-in is no later than the opening of registration for each start.

2.2 Boats shall provide a log or other evidence of completion of one of the following options having been undertaken within the 18 months prior to the Cape to Rio 2020 and with the Person-in-Charge and 50% of the Cape to Rio 2020 crew aboard; or with both Cape to Rio 2020 crew aboard for Doublehanded entries:

- a) Completion of a Cape to Rio 2020 Qualifying Race. These include Mossel Bay Race 2018; West Coast Race 2018; Cape to St Helena [Governor's Cup] 2018; Vasco da Gama Race 2019; Mossel Bay Race 2019; West Coast Race 2019; or another suitable offshore or ocean race for consideration by the OA; or
- b) Completion of a continuous offshore passage of at least 360 miles including a minimum of 2 full nights [sunset – sunrise].
- c) At the sole discretion of the OA, qualification credentials submitted that do not meet 2.2[a] or 2.2[b] may be considered and approved.

2.3 The OA reserves the right to require a safety inspection at any reasonable time prior to a boat's start, or upon completion of the race. Any scheduled inspection times, locations and further details will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum D.

2.4 There will be a mandatory safety briefing that must be attended by two crew members who are either the Person-in-Charge, the Second-in-Command or the Navigator. Details will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum A.

2.5 Training is as envisaged by OSR 6.01, being a World Sailing Accredited Offshore Personal Survival Training course. Details of this course are available from the OA. However, valid STCW certification obtained prior to 1 June 2019 is also accepted. Refresher certificates for original STCW certificates obtained prior to 1 June 2019 are also accepted.

2.6 While full compliance with OSR Category 1 is stipulated, the OA reserves the right to make amendments to the OSR, as allowed by OSR 2.01, which will be published separately as Addendum B.

3 ADVERTISING

3.1 The OA may require boats to display event advertising in compliance with World Sailing Regulation 20 at times specified in the Sailing Instructions.

3.2 Details of event advertising, size and placement will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum C.

4 ELIGIBILITY

4.1 Entry into Cape to Rio 2020 is open to monohull and multihull boats that comply with the requirements of OSR Category 1.

- a) Boats must be completely self-sufficient for extended periods of time and capable of withstanding heavy weather.
- b) Crews must be prepared to deal with heavy weather, injuries, and equipment failures without the prospect of immediate assistance.
- c) The Person-in-Charge and the crew, in aggregate, shall have an appropriate level of ocean sailing experience. The Person-in-Charge shall hold a SAS Offshore [or higher] certificate of competence, or the legal equivalent in the case of foreign entrants.
- d) Boats must have a reasonable likelihood, in the sole opinion of the OA, of finishing prior to the time limit.

4.2 The minimum number of crew members shall be four, except that boats in the Doublehanded Class shall have two crew.

4.3 The event is limited to vessels which have an overall length (LOA) not less than 30 foot (9.144m).

4.4 The event will comprise the following fleets:

- a) ORC Fleet for monohull boats with valid certificates, divided into various divisions - at the OA's discretion.
- b) A Doublehanded Class within the ORC Fleet for monohull boats. Entries must satisfy the OA that they have suitable and adequate experience and that their boat is appropriately organised for Doublehanded sailing.
- c) Multi-hull Fleet for multi-hull boats with a valid Texel/OMR TR, the fleet may be divided into divisions at the OA's discretion.
- d) If there is sufficient demand, other classes of boats will be considered, at the OA's discretion.

5 ENTRY

5.1 Eligible boats shall enter by completing the entry form, submitting all boat and crew information specified on the entry form, and paying the entry fee before 1200B 2 December 2019. Late entries may be accepted upon special written application to the OA and payment of a fee for late entry. Under no conditions will entries be accepted after 1200B 13 December, 2019.

5.2 The OA will use best efforts to notify boats of the acceptance or rejection of their entry no later than 3 weeks after the date of a complete entry submission.

5.3 Boats shall provide the OA with all crew information required for clearance no later than 1200B 13 December, 2019.

5.4 Boats that fail to comply with the documentation filing deadlines of this Notice of Race, including appearance at their scheduled safety consultation, may have their entry rejected or cancelled without refund of entry fee.

5.5 Upon acceptance of an application in writing and payment of a late documentation fee of R1000/day or part thereof, the OA may, at its sole discretion, accept documentation after the filing deadlines and reinstate the entry.

5.6 A decision by the OA as to whether a boat and her crew meets the requirements for entry in the race is final and will not constitute grounds for redress.

6 ENTRY FEE

6.1 Entry and payment of entry fees closes at 1200B on Monday 2 December 2019. Entries & fees received after the close of entries will be subjected to a late entry fee.

6.2 An entry, on the prescribed entry form, must be submitted with the relevant entry fee.

6.3 The Entry Fee is:

- a) R11,000.00 per boat and R1,100.00 per crew member from 1 January – 31 October 2019
- b) R15,000.00 per boat and R1,500.00 per crew member from 1 November – 1200B 2 December 2019.

6.4 Late Entry Fee is R22,000.00 per boat and R2,200.00 per crew member. Late Entries close at 1200B Friday 13 December 2019. No entry will be accepted after this time.

6.5 Early Entries: Boats and crew that entered and paid their entry fee before 31 December 2018 may be given early registration opportunities at pre-race events.

6.6 No refund of entry fees will be made. All currency amounts are South African Rands [ZAR] unless otherwise noted.

6.7 Pre-entry Documentation:

The following documentation shall be lodged with the OA by 1200B on 2 December 2019:

- a) Entry Form
- b) Proof of Payment of entry fee
- c) Valid ORC Rating Certificate (monohulls) or a completed application for a Texel/OMR TR (for multi-hull division)
- d) Crew Competency Declaration Form
- e) Certificate of Insurance
- f) Crew List

- g) In the interests of public relations, media and race promotion, all entry forms must be accompanied with a brief biographical note of the owner and/or Person-in-Charge, information on the crew and boat, and must include a photograph of the owner/Person-in-Charge and the boat.

7 HANDICAP SYSTEMS, DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

7.1 Handicap Categories

- a) The Cape to Rio 2020 will be conducted with the following handicap categories:
- Monohull: Valid ORC Club and ORCi certificates are permitted. Only ORC Certificates using the 2019 VPP are valid, and the validity of certificates issued in 2019 is extended until the end of the race.
 - Multihulls: Texel/OMR TR rating system.
 - Such other categories as may be determined by the OA having regard to interest expressed by entrants.
- b) The OA, at its sole discretion, may allocate boats to divisions within a handicap category. Within any such handicap category, all boats will be scored in the overall result.
- c) The OA's determination as to whether a One Design Class or an additional handicap category will be accepted is final and binding. Boats that wish to nominate a One Design Class or an additional handicap category should do so in writing.

7.2 Overall Winner

- a) The overall official handicap winner of the Cape to Rio 2020 will be the boat that wins the overall ORC Handicap Category.
- b) The overall official line honours winner of the Cape to Rio 2020 will be the boat that crosses the finishing line first in the Start 2 ORC Handicap Category.

8 MEASUREMENT

8.1 The OA reserves the right to require a measurement inspection prior to a boat's start, or upon completion of the race. It is mandatory that the Person-in-Charge or his authorised representative be present at the time of inspection.

8.2 Inspection times, locations and further details will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum D.

9 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

9.1 The Official Notice Board (ONB) is online at www.cape2rio2020.com.

9.2 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the ONB by 1200B on 2 December 2019.

10 START TIME AND PLACE, COURSES, FINISH

10.1 The Start will be in Table Bay, Cape Town, South Africa, and finish at the finishing line at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Precise details of the starting line, any marks to be rounded, and the finishing line will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 There will be two starts:

- a) Start 1: Saturday 4 January 2020 at 1400B in Table Bay, Cape Town:
- Monohulls with an ORC GPH greater than 600.
 - Monohulls electing to sail as a "cruiser", and not eligible for the prizes defined in 17.2d), with an ORC GPH of 600 or less.
 - Multihulls with a Texel/OMR TR (calculated) greater than 140.
 - Multihulls electing to sail as a "cruiser", with a Texel/OMR TR (calculated) of 140 or less.
- b) Start 2: Saturday 11 January 2020 in Table Bay, Cape Town:
- 1400B: Monohulls with an ORC GPH of 600 or less.
 - 1430B: Multihulls with a Texel/OMR TR (calculated) 140 or less.

10.3 No boat shall sail south of latitude 37°07'S.

10.4 The OA reserves the right to adjust the handicap splits stated in 10.2 based on entries received. It follows that this may also affect the allocation of prizes.

11 TIME LIMIT

- 11.1 The race time limit is 1700B (1200BRT) on Sunday 2 February 2020.
- 11.2 Boats still racing when the time limit expires will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing, and scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that did finish the race. This changes RRS 35, RRS A4, RRS A5, and RRS A11.
- 11.3 Boats still at sea after the time limit expires should adopt the internationally accepted mode of communication for emergencies.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 An international jury will be constituted in compliance with RRS Appendix N. There shall be no appeal from the decisions of an international jury, as per RRS 70.5.
- 12.2 When the international jury decides a boat has broken a RRS Part 2 rule and is not exonerated, it may disqualify the boat, impose an elapsed time penalty, or impose no penalty. This changes RRS 64.1[a].
- 12.3 A framework for time penalties will provide guidance for the international jury, but the magnitude of a time penalty shall be at the discretion of the international jury, unless otherwise specified in this Notice of Race or in the Sailing Instructions. This changes RRS 44.

13 TRANSPONDERS

- 13.1 The OA may install a transponder on each boat.
- 13.2 A boat shall not tamper with or alter the installation or operation of the transponder unless so requested by the OA. Each boat shall be responsible for the cost of replacing their transponder if lost, or repairing it if damaged, and may be requested to post a security deposit.
- 13.3 The OA will be responsible for the removal of the transponder at the conclusion of the race. The boat shall arrange with the OA to have the transponder removed.

14 REGISTRATION

- 14.1 Details of the registration process to take place within two weeks of each start will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum E.

15 MOORINGS

- 15.1 Moorings in Cape Town will be available for two weeks before each respective start.
- 15.2 Swing moorings at ICRJ will be available after finishing up to 28 February 2020.
- 15.3 Boats seeking moorings beyond these times are welcome to contact the RCYC Marina, or V&AW Marina, or ICRJ separately.
- 15.4 Details will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum F.

16 BRIEFINGS

- 16.1 A compulsory Race Briefing will be held at RCYC within two weeks of each start.
- 16.2 A compulsory Weather Briefing will be held at RCYC within two weeks of each start.
- 16.3 A compulsory Safety Briefing per clause 2.4 of this notice will be held at RCYC within two weeks of each start.
- 16.4 For each boat intending to compete in the race, it is mandatory for two crew members who are either the Person-in-Charge, the Second-in-Command or the Navigator to attend the whole of the Race Briefing, the whole of the Weather Briefing, and the whole of the Safety Briefing. If the required attendance is not met, the boat will not be eligible to race.
- 16.5 Details will be confirmed as an addendum to this Notice of Race, which will be published separately as Addendum A.

17 PRIZE-GIVING AND TROPHY PRESENTATION

17.1 Prize-giving will be held at ICRJ from 2300B (1800BRT) on 2 February 2020.

17.2 Floating Trophies will be awarded as follows:

- a) on Corrected Time ORC Fleet and the ORC Doublehanded Fleet for both starts combined
 - South Atlantic Trophy : First Place
 - Telkom Trophy: Second Place
 - Punta del Este Trophy: Third Place
- b) on Corrected Time Texel/OMR TR Fleet for both starts combined
 - SAR & H Trophy: First Place
- c) on Corrected Time ORC Doublehanded Fleet for both starts combined
 - CASA Trophy: First Place
- d) First Start Monohull ORC Fleet
 - Neptune Cup: Line honours with GPH greater than 600
 - Mory Trophy: First Place on corrected time with GPH greater than 600
- e) Second Start Monohull ORC Fleet
 - De Beers Trophy: Line honours
 - Meridian Trophy: First to cross the Meridian
- f) Second Start Multihull Texel/OMR TR:
 - SA Marine Corp Trophy: Line honours
- g) Additional trophies and prizes such as the Telescope Trophy for Youth and the Amsterdam Sauer Trophy for Seamanship, will be awarded at the discretion of the OA.
- h) Other prizes and/or trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

18.1 As part of the registration process, each owner, Person-in-Charge and individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting the following disclaimer of liability:

- a) I agree to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), which include the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, and all other rules and regulations referred to in these documents. I agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any yacht participating in the Cape to Rio 2020, her rigging, the safety equipment on board and the competence, behaviour and dress of her crew is that of the Owner/Charterer of the yacht.
- b) I also agree to take any and all responsibility for all damages whatsoever caused to third persons or their belongings, to myself or to my belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of my participation in the race, and hereby relieve from any responsibility, and agree to indemnify on a full indemnity basis and hold harmless, the OA, their servants, agents and sponsors and their representatives in respect of any claim arising therefrom.
- c) I am acquainted with RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."
- d) I agree that the OA, their servants, agents and sponsors and their representatives have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.

19 MEDIA

19.1 Upon entry, every boat, Person-in-Charge and crew:-

- a) acknowledges that the OA owns all media rights to the Cape to Rio 2020 and may exercise those rights as it sees fit.
- b) grants at no cost to the OA the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media (being television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the Cape to Rio 2020 and the competitors and crew members' participation prior to, during and after the race.

20 INSURANCE

20.1 The owner of the boat shall hold a marine legal liability insurance policy, with a sum insured of not less than US\$500 000 (five hundred thousand US dollars).

21 AMENDMENTS

21.1 On good cause, the OA reserves the right to amend any of the provisions of this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the Official Notice Board, Courtesy copies of amendments may be emailed to competitors, and displayed on the notice board at RCYC and/or ICRJ.

22 FURTHER INFORMATION

22.1 For further information please contact:

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23 TABLE OF ADDENDUMS

23.1 The following addendums may be added separately at any time:

Addendum A	Schedule of Times for Briefings
Addendum B	OA amendments to the Offshore Special Regulations.
Addendum C	Event advertising details.
Addendum D	Schedule of Times for OSR and/or Measurement Inspections
Addendum E	Schedule of Times for Registration
Addendum F	Mooring Details