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### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR:

Event 1: IRC Div 1 (TCC 1.041 & Above )

Event 2: IRC Div 2 (TCC 1.040 - 0.940)

Event 3: IRC Div 3 (TCC .939 & Below)

Event 4: Club Class NHC

Event 5: SB20 Fleet

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### 1. RULES

- a. Racing shall be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020 as published by World Sailing.
- b. The AIRBUS Winter Regatta Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions and any subsequent amendments shall apply.
- c. No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- d. World Sailing Special Offshore Regulations 2018-19 Appendix B applies for IRC and Keelboat classes.

- e. For IRC classes IRC rule A, B and C will apply, except IRC rule 22.4.1 and 22.4.2 will not apply as per 22.4.3.
- f. Current One Design Class rules will apply.
- g. If there is a conflict in languages, the English text will take precedence.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the race notice board located outside of the Sailing Office.

## 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races which will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- a. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main club flagpole.
- b. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1' minute is replaced by not more than 60 minutes in race signal AP.
- c. When AP is flown independently, the postponement shall apply to all fleets.
- d. When AP is flown over signal flag Kilo, the postponement shall apply to Keelboats only.
- e. When AP is flown over signal flag Echo, the postponement shall apply to Dinghies only.
- f. When AP is flown over a single Class Flag, the postponement shall apply to the corresponding fleet only.

## 5. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

a) All charted National Exclusion Zones except the exclusion zone which surrounds the Palm Jumeirah shall be considered an obstruction. Exclusion zones shall include all cardinal, special and lateral navigation marks identifying the exclusion zone, or in their obvious absence, their charted position and extends to include as well inside the rhumb line between these marks. If it is established that a boat has breached this instruction and in doing so is judged to have gained an advantage, the penalty awarded by a protest committee shall be disqualification (DSQ).

b) If it is established that a boat has breached this instruction and in doing so is judged to have gained no advantage, the penalty awarded by a protest committee may be reduced to an appropriate time penalty

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- a. The schedule for Racing is as follows;
- b. On Friday 7th December there shall be up to 4 races.
- c. On Saturday 8th December there shall be 1 long distance race.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

Friday 7th December 2018 Short Course Racing Up to 4 Races	Briefing (Events 1-5) Outside Sailing Office	1000Hrs
	Start not before	1200Hrs
	Regatta Party	1800Hrs Onwards
Saturday 8th December 2018 Long Distance Race	Briefing (Events 1-5) Outside Sailing Office	1000Hrs
	Start not before	1200Hrs
	Regatta Prize Giving	1830Hrs Onwards

- a. Class Flags shall be as follows;
- b. Competitors should display their class flag from backstay or next visible location.

## 8. RACING AREA

IRC DIVISION 1 (TCC 1.041 & Above)	Signal Flag Oscar
IRC DIVISION 2 (TCC 1.040 - 0.940)	Signal Flag Tango
IRC DIVISION 3 (TCC .939 & Below)	Signal Flag Delta
NHC Club Class	Signal Flag Juliet
SB20	Signal Flag SB20 Class Flag

- a. The racing area for short course racing shall be as approximately illustrated in Appendix A
- b. Intended race area shall be posted by 1000hours on the day of racing.

## 9. THE COURSES

- a. The diagrams in Appendix B show the Keelboat courses which will also be detailed in the morning briefing.
- b. Courses may be shortened in accordance with rule 32 of the RRS.
- c. **The start line and finish line of the course is an obstruction except when starting for courses 8 and 9.** A boat that crosses the start line whilst racing shall receive a 20% scoring penalty (except that the minimum penalty is two places if that does not result in a score worse than DNF) without a hearing, this changes RRS A5.

## 10. MARKS

- a. Marks will be Orange or Yellow, cylindrical or tetrahedral inflatable racing marks.
- b. Long Distance Races may use any of the fixed mark locations listed in Appendix B

## 11. THE START

- a. Races will be started by using rule 26 of the RRS with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- b. The start line shall be between a staff a Committee Vessel displaying an Orange flag and an Outer Distance Marker (ODM) OR an additional Committee Vessel displaying an Orange flag.
- c. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequences for other races.
- d. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- e. Starts of consecutive races will be made as soon as practically possible after all boats of an individual fleet are finished. A fleet may be started whilst other fleets are still completing their previous race.

- f. The starting sequence of divisions shall not necessarily be routinely the same and may vary from race to race and day to day. Boats must observe the class flag at the 5 minute warning to confirm starting sequence for that division.

## 12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- a. Marks of the course may be changed in accordance with rule 33 of the RRS.
- b. Marks of the course may be reset between races in the same day.

## 13. THE FINISH

- a. The finish line shall be between a staff a Committee Vessel displaying an blue flag and an Outer Distance Marker (ODM) OR an additional Committee Vessel displaying an blue flag.
- b. Races may be shortened or abandoned in accordance with RRS 32.

## 14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- a. The penalty system as detailed in rule 44.1 and 44.2 of the RRS shall apply.

## 15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- a. Events 1, 2, 3, 5 (IRC Div 1, IRC Div 2, IRC Div 3, SB20,) have a time limit to complete the course of up to 30 minutes after the first boat in that class has finished.

## 16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- a. Protest forms are available from the sailing office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- b. For each class the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day for Course Areas Bravo and Charlie and 90 minutes for Course Areas Alpha and Delta.
- c. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room which will normally be either the loft in the upstairs of the club, or in the Sailing Department.
- d. Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) of the RRS.
- e. Breaches of clauses 10a,, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25 or 28 of these sailing instructions will not be grounds for protest by another boat. This changes rule 60.1(a) of the RRS.

Penalties for breaches of these instructions may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides or these sailing instructions stipulate. The scoring abbreviation for a penalty imposed under this instruction shall be DPI.

- f. When a protest is not made by, nor made against, nor calls the Race Committee as a witness than a member of the Race Committee may form the Protest Committee if s/he acts in accordance with RRS 63.4.

## 17. EXONERATION PENALTY

- a. A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2, or rule 31 or 42, may, after finishing the race concerned and before the start of a related protest hearing, notify the race committee that she accepts a 20% scoring penalty as stated in rule 44.3(c), (except that the minimum penalty is two places if that does not result in a score worse than DNF). This penalty does not reverse an OCS score, a disqualification under rule 30.3 or a penalty under Appendix P. It is not available for a breach of rule 2 or of class rules or for gross misconduct under rule 69. Nor is it available to a boat that caused injury or serious damage, or gained a significant advantage by her breach: in these circumstances, her penalty is to retire.
- b. When an Exoneration Penalty is accepted,
  - i. Neither the boat nor a protest committee may then revoke or remove the penalty.
  - ii. The boat shall not be penalized further in a protest hearing when the protest committee decides that it was appropriate to the facts found and the applicable rules.

## 18. ADVISORY HEARING

- a. When there is an incident that will not result in the lodging of a protest or a request for redress, a boat, protest committee or race committee may request an advisory hearing with the race office, and notify any boat involved in the incident. An adviser will then call a hearing to learn what may have happened and will state whether any rule appears to have been broken, and by which boat. A boat may as a result notify the race office that she accepts an Exoneration Penalty when it applies to the incident, or choose to retire.

## 19. RYA ARBITRATION

- a. The RYA Arbitration Process is recommended prior to a Protest Hearing.
- b. When a protest or request for redress is lodged, a boat may at the same time request RYA Arbitration, or the protest committee or race committee may offer it.

- c. If the parties and a member of the protest or race committee agree that RYA Arbitration is suitable, an arbitrator (who may be that member of the protest committee) will call a hearing conforming to Section B of Part 5 of the Racing Rules of Sailing, except that rule 64.1(a) will not apply. Instead, when the arbitrator decides that a boat that is a party to the arbitration hearing has broken a rule for which the Exoneration Penalty is available, the party will be invited to accept that penalty, and, if it is accepted by a protested boat, the protesting boat will be allowed to withdraw the protest, changing rule 63.1.
- d. When there is not an agreement to use RYA Arbitration, or when, after RYA Arbitration, a protest is not withdrawn or the Exoneration Penalty is not applicable to the facts, there will be a normal protest hearing, at which the arbitrator may be a member of the protest committee. Rule 66 will not apply to the arbitration decision. A boat may still accept an Exoneration Penalty at any time before the start of a protest hearing and receive its protection from further penalization. She may also retire.
- e. When redress is offered and accepted at the RYA Arbitration, the protest committee or race committee may seek to have this reviewed by asking for a full hearing. When redress is offered and not accepted, or not offered at all, the boat may have her request heard before a protest committee.

## 20. SCORING

- a. The low point system of Appendix A in the RRS shall apply.
- b. Number of Discards shall be as follows:

Number of Races	Number of Discards
1 to 3	0
4+	1

- c. Any Long Distance Race held on Saturday shall be non-discardable.

## 21. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- a. All boats are required to sign on prior to **1015hrs** on each race day and sign off within the protest time limit. Failure to sign on may result in a score equal to DNS from the first race of the day and failure to sign off may result in a score equal to DNF from the



last race of the day. The scoring abbreviation for a penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

- b. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- c. A boat may sign off, or notify the race committee if they retire by SMS to +971 50 451 3922

## 22. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OF EQUIPMENT

- a. Substitution of competitors in between races of the regatta shall not be allowed without the prior written approval of the race committee.
- b. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 23. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- a. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with all applicable rules and the sailing instructions

## 24. SUPPORT BOATS

- a. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retires or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## 25. TRASH DISPOSAL

- a. Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard official race vessels at request.

## 26. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

## 27. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- a. 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 phones.

- b. Boats called On Course Side (OCS) shall be identified over VHF Channel 08. Failure to do so by the race committee shall not be grounds for redress.

## 28. PRIZES

- a. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each division.
- b. Prizes will be awarded at the prize giving after racing on Saturday 8th December.

## 29. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.”

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- i. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- ii. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- iii. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- iv. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- v. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- vi. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

## 29. INSURANCE

- a. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with adequate cover for racing.

# APPENDIX A - SHORT COURSE RACING AREAS



# APPENDIX B - COURSES

Course 1



Finish (F)



Start (S)



DIV 1: S - 1P - 2P - 4P - 1P - 3P - 1P - 2P - F



DIV 2: S - 1P - 2P - 4P - 1P - 3P - 1P - 2P - F



DIV 3: S - 1P - 3P - 1P - 2P - F



Club: S - 1P - 3P - 1P - 2P - F

SB20: S - 1P - 3P - 1P - 2P - F

# Course 2



Start (S)



Finish (F)



DIV 1: S - 1P - 3P/3S - 1P - 3P - F



DIV 2: S - 1P - 3P/3S - 2P - 3P - F



DIV 3: S - 2P - 3P/3S - 2P - 3P - F



Club: S - 2P - 3P/3S - 2P - 3P - F

SB20: S - 1P - 3P/3S - 2P - F

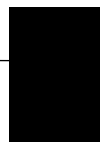
# Course 4 [No Course 3]



Finish



Start (S)



DIV 1: S - 1P - 2P - 3P - 4P - 1P - 4P - 1P - 2P - 3P - F



DIV 2: S - 1P - 2P - 3P - 4P - 1P - 2P - 3P - F



DIV 3: S - 1P - 2P - 3P - 2P - 3P - F



Club: S - 1P - 2P - 3P - 2P - 3P - F

SB20: S - 1P - 2P - 3P - 2P - 3P - F

## Airbus Winter Regatta Long Distance Race Saturday 8th December

***Course shall be published by 7pm Friday 7th December***

Whilst the Race Committee may use additional inflatable marks the majority of the marks used shall be those listed below. Approximate area of Start and finish shall be listed on the published course sheet. Fleets may be finished at any race mark by a Committee vessel displaying S flag over class flag for individual classes or S Flag only for all classes.

Name	Position (WGS 84)	Type	Remarks
<b>DOSC STF</b>	25° 10.639 N, 055° 12.745 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	
<b>M1</b>	25° 11.284 N, 055° 11.589 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	
<b>Canal</b>	25° 12.609 N, 055° 13.735 E	Yellow special mark	Near Bvlgari Hotel. Label SM10 on side
<b>Horseshoe WC</b>	25° 13.103 N, 055° 13.238 E	West cardinal	
<b>Horseshoe NC</b>	25° 13.559 N, 055° 13.720 E	North cardinal	
<b>Union</b>	25° 14.497 N, 055° 14.257 E	Yellow special mark	Not on charts. Possibly not lit at night
<b>Pearls</b>	25° 16.112 N, 055° 12.322 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	
<b>Cormorant</b>	25° 14.789 N, 055° 07.293 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	North West of World
<b>Tower</b>	25° 08.832 N, 055° 10.652 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	Near Burj Al Arab
<b>Power</b>	25° 04.606 N, 055° 05.832 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	Near Power station
<b>Cargo</b>	25° 04.595 N, 055° 04.703 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	Near power station
<b>Palm</b>	25° 08.488 N, 055° 06.079 E	DOSC orange tetrahedral	

[GPS Positions are approximates only]