



# MUSSANAH RACE WEEK 20<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Mussanah, Oman

# **Notice of Race**

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**Oman Sail** (the Organising Authority) in co-operation with ...... are pleased to invite the sailors to take part in

# Mussanah Race Week to be held at Millennium Resort, Mussanah, Oman from 20 - 26 of February 2019

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be less than disqualification.

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by boat.

[SP] denotes a rule which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- **1.2** No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- **1.3** The Class Rules of the relevant Classes will apply.
- **1.4** No Class Rule change will apply.
- **1.5** The language of the regatta will be English. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2. [DP][NP] Advertising and identification

2.1 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the Organising Authority.

#### 3. Eligibility, entry and equipment

- 3.1 The regatta is open to boats and to competitors in Optimist, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, Techno 293 and Techno 293 Plus classes, who comply with WORLD SAILING Regulation 19 Eligibility.
- **3.2** The age categories are as follows:
  - Optimist U15

- Laser 4.7 U17
- Laser Radial OPEN
- Techno 293 U15
- Techno 293 Plus U17
- **3.3** Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form in the web page of the regatta: www.mrw.com, not later than **31st January 2019**.
- 3.4 In addition to the requirement of 3.3 competitors, team leaders, coaches, supporters, family and other personnel shall deliver signed entry form and register at the Race Office no later than 18:00 on 22 February 2019.
- **3.5** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- **3.6** Entries will be confirmed after the entry form and the deposit have been received.
- **3.7** For visa purposes, if needed, it is essential to receive the following data: full name of the competitor (or coach, team leader, supporter, family, friend, etc.) (as per passport); passport number, date and place of issue, expiry date and a photocopy of passport showing identification photograph and the details listed above. Details regarding expected arrival date in Oman and entry point must also be included.
- **3.8** Optimist sailors must bring their own sail, ropes and spare parts.
- **3.9** Laser 4.7 and Laser Radial sailors will be provided only with hull, top mast, bottom mast, boom and trolley. The sailors shall bring their own sail, ropes, other equipment and spare parts.
- **3.10** Techno 293 sailors shall bring their own equipment.

# 4. Classification

**4.1** No classification requirements will apply (see RRS 79)

#### 5. Fees

- **5.1** The entry fee for the regatta days will be **USD 100**.
- **5.2** The entry fee for the regatta days and pre-regatta clinic will be **USD 150**.

## 6. Regatta format

- **6.1** The regatta will consist of Single Series with **10** races for the Laser 4.7, Laser Radial and Techno 293 classes.
- **6.2.1** For the Optimist class the boats will be divided into fleets with as nearly as possible equal size.
- **6.2.2** The initial allocation to fleets will be done by the Race Committee on **22 February 2019**.
- **6.2.3** Boats may sail an Opening Series followed by a Final Series.
- **6.2.4** Opening Series 5 races are scheduled. At least 4 qualifying races shall be completed to constitute the Opening Series. An Opening Series race will not count until all fleets in the Opening Series have completed the same number of races.
- **6.2.5** If the fleets have not completed the same number of races by the end of a day, the fleets with fewer races will continue racing the following day until all fleets have completed the same number of races. All boats will thereafter race in the new fleets.
- **6.2.6** All race scores from the Opening Series will be carried forward to the Final Series.
- **6.2.7** Final Series 5 races are scheduled.
- **6.2.8** Boats will be assigned to Final Series fleets Gold, Silver and Bronze on the basis of their ranks in the Opening Series. There will be the same number of fleets in the Final Series as there

- were in the Opening Series. The Final Series fleets will have, as nearly as possible, equal size but none larger than the Gold fleet. Boats with the best Opening Series ranks will race all Final Series races in the Gold fleet, boats with the next-best Opening Series ranks will race in the Silver fleet, etc.
- **6.2.9** Any recalculation of Opening Series ranking after boats have been assigned to Final Series fleets will not affect the assignments except that a redress decision may promote a boat to a higher fleet.
- **6.2.10** Single Series If there are fewer than 80 entries, then the regatta will be competed in one fleet in Single Series with **10** races.

# 7. Schedule

#### **7.1** Schedule of races:

19 – 21 February 2019	Pre-regatta clinic	
Day 1 – 22 February 2019	Registration and equipment inspections	08:00-10:30
	Opening Ceremony	13:00
Day 2 – 23 February 2019	Equipment inspections	08:00-10:30
	Races (first warning signal)	12:00
Day 3 – 24 February 2019	Races	TBA
Day 4 – 25 February 2019	Races	TBA
Day 5 – 26 February 2019	Races	TBA
	Closing Ceremony	TBA

- **7.2** No warning signal will be given after <u>15:00 on the last day.</u>
- **7.3** No more than **3** races shall be sailed each day.

# 8. [DP][NP] Measurement and equipment inspection

- **8.1** A Technical Committee shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 92.
- **8.2** Each boat shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate. If the completed Measurement Form is a photocopy, its authenticity shall be confirmed with an original stamp and signature from the issuing authority. If a boat is to produce a measurement certificate in accordance with Racing Rule 78.2, she shall do so before 10:30 on 23 February 2018.
- **8.3** Pre-race measurement inspections will consist of at least stamping of the sails by the Technical Committee of the regatta.
- **8.4** In accordance with Racing Rule 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78, competitors are considered to be the owners).
- **8.5** Measurement inspections at random during the regatta may be organised.

# 9. Sailing instructions

**9.1** Sailing instructions will be available during registration at the Race Office. Other documents governing the event will be published with the Sailing Instructions.

#### 10. Classes

- **10.1** The regatta will be sailed on the following classes:
  - Optimist
  - Laser 4.7

- Laser Radial
- Techno 293
- Techno 293 Plus

#### 11. Venue

**11.1** The regatta site is located at:

#### **Millenium Resort**

Address: Wudam Al Sahil, Mussanah, Sultanate of Oman

Tel: 0096826871555

E-mail: reservations.mrmo@milleniumhotels.com

Web: www.millenniumhotels.com/en/mussanah/millennium-resort-mussanah/

Coordinates: 23.802641, 57.567735

Event web site: www.mrw.com

**11.2** Appendix 1 shows the location of the racing areas.

#### 12. The course

- **12.1** The course types will be the Olympic trapezoid and/or Windward-Leeward courses and/or Optimist Class Course.
- **12.2** Course will be set with each race planned to be approximately 40 45 minutes duration.

# 13. Penalty system

- **13.1** Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply.
- **13.2** RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

# 14. International Jury

- **14.1** An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b).
- **14.2** Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

#### 15. Scoring

- **15.1** The low point system of RRS Appendix A shall apply.
- **15.2** There will be 10 races in the Single Series. There will be 10 races in the Opening and the Final Series.
- **15.3** At least 3 races are required to be completed to constitute the regatta series.
- 15.4 Discards
  - When fewer than 3 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
  - When 3 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### 16. Coach and Support boats

- 16.1 All coach and support boats shall be registered (see 3.3) with the organising authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organising authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- **16.2** Registered coach and support boats shall:
  - a) fly a flag with their three letter national code (see RRS G1.1) clearly displayed or shall be permanently marked with a sticker of their three letter national code on each side of the boat or engine. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. The letters will not be provided by the Organising Authority.
  - b) fly organizer identified flag with number, the flag will be provided by the Organising Authority during registration against a deposit of **USD 10**.
- 16.3 Registered coach and support boats shall act as assistance / rescue boats in case of need and shall comply with any instruction given by the Race Committee or the Organising Authority.
- **16.4** All coach and support boats shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance. The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

#### 17. Prizes

- **17.1** Prizes will be awarded to every boat placing first, second and third in each group and class.
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### Groups are as follows:

# **Class Optimist:**

- 1. General overall placing
- 2. General overall placing of boys born after 31.12.2003 (to be taken out of General overall placing)
- 3. General placing of boys up to 12 years of age born after 31.12.2006 (to be taken out of General overall placing)
- 4. General overall placing of girls born after 31.12.2003 (to be taken out of General overall placing)
- 5. General placing of girls up to 12 years of age born after 31.12.2006 (to be taken out of General overall placing)

#### Laser 4.7 Class:

- 1. General overall placing of boys under 17 born after 31.12.2008
- 2. General overall placing of girls under 17 born after 31.12.2008

#### **Laser Radial Class:**

- 1. General overall placing of men
- 2. General overall placing of women

#### Techno 293 Class:

- 1. General overall placing of boys born after 31.12.2003 (to be taken out of General overall placing)
- 2. General overall placing of girls born after 31.12.2003 (to be taken out of General overall placing)

#### **Techno 293 Plus Class:**

- 1. General overall placing of boys under 17 born after 31.12.2008
- 2. General overall placing of girls under 17 born after 31.12.2008

# 18. Disclaimer of liability and Risk Statement

- **18.1** Competitors and support team participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
  - 1. 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;
  - 2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
  - 3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
  - 4. By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
  - 5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
  - 6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- **18.2** The Organising Authority and all parties involved in the regatta organisation will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

# 19. [DP][NP] Media Rights, Cameras and Electronic Equipment

- 19.1 By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- **19.2** Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.
- **19.3** Selected competitors may be required to attend a press conference.

#### 20. Insurance

- **20.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD 1 500 000 per incident or equivalent.
- **20.2** The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.





# **GENERAL INFORMATION** (not part of the NoR)

Organizing Authority:
Tel: E-mail: Web:
Coordinates:
<u>Charter boats:</u>

# **Charter Ribs:**

VSR boat places are available to all coaches at USD 150 per day (can be shared amongst coaches). Use of a support boat includes insurance coverage, berthing fees and fuel. As the number of available support boats is limited, requests will be accommodated in a first come-first served basis and coaches may be required to share support boats. Use of small fishing boats are also available for rent at USD 50 per day includes insurance coverage, berthing fees and fuel.

# **Pre-regatta clinic:**

Oman Sail has contracted a number of high profile professionals to provide a superb pre-regatta clinic for each of the classes and the sailors participating in the Mussanah Race Week. The training camp will include:

- Sailing sessions on the water working on boat speed, boat handling, starts and races.
- Theoretical courses and lectures ashore covering among others racing strategy, rules, fitness and nutrition and psychology.
- Team building activities to encourage friendship between sailors from different countries, building of confidence and problem solving skills as well as making the event fun for the sailors.

# **Accommodation:**

#### 1. FULL PACKAGE

Oman Sail in partnership with Millennium Resort, are pleased to offer packages including entry fee, boat charter, airport transfers and accommodation at the Millennium resort with half board. This package is available for sailors, coaches and supporters wishing to attend the event.

Type of room	22-26 February 2019 (RACING ONLY)	19-26 February 2019 (PRE-REGATTA CLINIC & RACING)
Single Occupancy	USD 800	USD 1,250
Shared Occupancy	USD 550	USD 850

Damage deposit of USD 50 per boat will be charged at registration and refunded at the end of the championship provided the boat is in good condition. Should the organizing committee decide to deduct from the damage deposit, it may require that the deposit is restored to the original amount before the competitor is permitted to use the boat again. Any remaining deposit will be refunded at the end of the championship

#### 2. GCC SAILORS

GCC sailors who wish to bring their own boats, will receive a discount in the accommodation package.

#### 3. COACHES AND SUPPORT BOATS

#### 4. BOOKINGS AND PAYMENTS

Bookings shall be made through the event website.

Payment can be made at event office during registration. Payment will be accepted in cash or card.

# **Travel:**

#### <u>By car</u>

#### By plane

We will be able to offer you special tailor made travel package offers by Oman Air. Information for these packages will be displayed on <a href="https://www.mrw.com">www.mrw.com</a> homepage shorty
<u>By bus</u>

WWW.MUSSANAHRACEWEEK.COM

# **Weather and current:**

Information about weather can be found on the following web sites:
Prevailing winds:
Current: