



FALSE BAY YACHT CLUB

BAY 2 BAY

NOTICE OF RACE

FOREWORD

The old Double Cape Race consisted of separate starts at the four main Cape Town Clubs, RCYC, HBYC, FBYC and GBYC with entrants rounding a mark at each club to finish back at their original starting point. FBYC has over the years staged a number of popular Compass Rose night races within False Bay.

Following on from the very successful MBR offshore races, FBYC and HBYC have now combined to launch the Bay 2 Bay Inshore Race – in effect an abbreviated form of the Double Cape, but leaving out the most unpopular parts of that race – Simon's Bay to Gordon's Bay and Hout Bay to Granger Bay. Participants will be limited to 5 nautical miles offshore, thereby concentrating the fleet in such a manner that every entrant becomes, in effect, a rescue boat thereby avoiding the necessity for the carrying of life-rafts by smaller vessels (Controlled Event status applied for from SAS Western Cape).

The overall winner will be scored on Club rating, allowing all entrants a chance at the overall honours. There will be additional classes such as ORC, Miura, Flamenca, Multihull, etc. should sufficient numbers warrant it.

The minimum Safety Requirement for this race is a SAS Cat C COF plus the equipment as stated in Schedule 1. All skippers shall hold a minimum of a SAS Coastal Skipper's ticket. The onus remains at all times with the skipper to ensure their boat complies with all laws.

If you have questions or require advice, please don't hesitate to contact the sailing office at FBYC (sailadmin@fbyc.co.za or 0826353282), who are there to help.

The Race Committee

1) THE RACE

The Bay to Bay Race is a race from between Simon's Bay (FBYC), False Bay, and Hout Bay, in Cape Town, South Africa, and starts at **17:00 on Friday 10th November 2017**. The race is organised by the False Bay Yacht Club and Hout Bay Yacht Club.

2) ELIGIBILITY

- a) A minimum **overall length restriction of 7,5m** shall apply. All boats shall have a **minimum of a valid Category "C" COF** issued by South African Sailing (SAS), proof of which shall be lodged with the Race Secretary by 16h00 SAST on Wednesday 8th November 2017.
- b) *It should be noted that all vessels will be required to abide by the restrictions of their relevant COF and any Controlled Event relaxations for the duration of the race in terms of the law and shall also carry the additional safety equipment deemed necessary by Schedule 1 of this notice.*
- c) The Race Committee has the discretion to form further classes should there be sufficient numbers e.g. ORC, Miuras, Flamenca, Multihulls, etc. at its sole discretion. These classes will be scored in addition to the overall Club Handicap result.
- d) Each boat shall be under the command of a skipper holding as a minimum a valid **SAS Coastal Skipper qualification**.

3) COURSE & DATE

- a) The race will start simultaneously in Simon's Bay and Hout Bay and finish back at the starting points, a race distance of approximately 75 nautical miles.
- b) It is recommended that entrants remain within 5 nautical miles of the coast at all times, thereby concentrating the fleet for safety purposes.

- c) The race will start on Friday 10th November 2017, with the warning signal to start scheduled for 16h55 SAST.
- d) Details of the start and finish lines, starting and finishing instructions plus details of rounding marks will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

4) TIME LIMITS

- a) The race for all fleets will end at 10h00 SAST on Sunday, the 12th November 2017. The Race Committee reserves the right to extend the time limit at its discretion.

5) RULES

- a) The race will be governed by -
 - i) The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGs) as applicable in terms of this Notice and the Sailing Instructions,
 - ii) The rules as defined in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017- 2020, subject to changes made in terms of this Notice & the Sailing Instructions,
 - iii) The Safety Equipment and Scrutineering Check List contained in Schedule 1 of this Notice of Race,
 - iv) The South African National Small Vessel Safety Regulations,
 - v) SA Sailing Controlled Event status (applied for),
- b) Part 2 of the RRS relating to 'when boats meet' shall apply for one hour after the start, after which the right-of-way will be determined by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGs).

6) ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- a) RRS 44.1 – a Two-Turn penalty will apply for breaking a rule of RRS, Part 2, from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start, until 1 hour after the time of the start of the first class to start.
- b) RRS 44.3 – a Scoring Penalty will apply for breaking the COLREGS, which shall apply from 1 hour after the time of the start of the first class to start until such time as the last boat has finished.
- c) RRS 64.1 – Scoring Penalties may be applied at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- d) The scoring penalties will be applied in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

7) RATING CERTIFICATES AND HANDICAPS

- a) Boats shall have rating certificates and/or handicaps, as follows:
 - i) Boats racing will be allocated Club ratings based on those used for the FBYC Spring Regatta 2017 or, failing that, set by the race committee.
- b) A list of ratings for each fleet will be published on the Official Notice Boards by Thursday 9th November 2017.
- c) Any protest relating to a boat's rating shall be submitted to the Race Secretary, in writing, within six hours of the ratings being posted, for consideration by the Race Committee whose decision shall be final.
- d) The placing of each boat in its particular fleet shall be determined by the corrected time taken by that boat to complete the course, calculated as follows: the boat with the lowest corrected time (after application of scoring penalties, if any) will be scored first.
- e) Class allocations shall be at the Race Committee's discretion.

8) SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND SCRUTINY

- a) Each boat shall be crewed by at least 2 persons, including the skipper.
- b) The skipper shall satisfy the Race Committee, by 16h00 on Wednesday 8th of November 2017 that he or she holds at least a **SAS Coastal Skipper** certificate of competence or higher.
- c) In addition to a **VHF radio**, each boat shall carry at least **two cell phones in waterproof plastic pouches** which permit use of the phone through the pouch when wet.
- d) **All boats will be scrutinised** by the Race Committee or the appointed safety scrutineering officers to ensure compliance with the Schedule 1 - Safety Equipment & Scrutineering Check list. The skipper is obliged to ensure that he/she and at least one other member of the crew is present at the scrutiny. This is not a COF Survey, but purely for race purposes. Please ensure you deal with your COF requirements independently.
- e) A boat which has not passed scrutiny by 16h00 on Wednesday 8th of November 2017 may not start the event. The onus shall be on the skipper to ensure that his boat is scrutinised in time by arranging a suitable scrutiny time with a race scrutineer.
- f) If a boat does not comply with these regulations its entry may be rejected or it may be liable to disqualification or such other penalty as may be prescribed by the Protest Committee, giving due regard to the schedule in the Sailing Instructions.
- g) Notwithstanding anything herein contained, the safety, management and insurance of a boat and its crew shall at all times remain the sole responsibility of her skipper, who must ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who have undergone appropriate training and are physically fit to face, and are capable of handling, the boat in bad weather. The skipper must be satisfied as to the soundness of the hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. The skipper must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that all crew know where it is kept and how it is to be used.
- h) The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in the race or to continue racing is hers alone (RRS 4).

- i) The Crew List, on the prescribed form provided together with a copy of each crew member's valid Identity Document (or passport in the case of foreign nationals), shall be submitted to the Race Secretary by 16h00 Wednesday 8th of November 2017.
- j) Changes to crew after 16h00 on Wednesday 8th of November 2017 may be permitted under exceptional circumstances, and only with the written permission of the Race Committee.

9) ENTRIES

- a) An entry, on the prescribed entry form, shall be submitted with the relevant entry fee to the Race Secretary, Bay 2 Bay race 2017 at:
P O Box 45, Simons Town, 7995; e-mail: sailing@fbyc.co.za; or fax: 021 786 3925; by 18h00 SAST on Wednesday 8th of November 2017..
- b) Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the race committee, subject to the late entry fee being paid.
- c) The standard entry fee shall be R200 per boat. The late entry fee shall be R600 per boat, payable in addition to the standard entry fee.
- d) Entry Fees may be paid in cash, by cheque made payable to the False Bay Yacht Club, credit card or by bank transfer. **A legible copy of the deposit slip or electronic transfer advice shall accompany the entry form.** Entry fees are non-refundable.
- e) Public Relations & Media. In the interests of public relations and the media, it will be helpful to the promotion of the race if each entry is accompanied by a brief biographical note of the owner and/or skipper which may include information on the crew and, if possible, should include photographs of the owner and/or skipper and of the boat. The Organising Committee shall be authorised to use any such information and photographs in connection with any advertising, publication, promotion, sponsorship or the like relating to the race whether in printed or electronic form or howsoever.
- f) The Organising Authority also reserves the right to place a camera or tracking device on board any boat for media purposes, and all participants agree to operate such camera to the best of their ability.
- g) Failure to carry and operate a tracking device or to carry and operate a camera when required may lead to the cancellation of an entry or the disqualification of the boat from the race (refer RRS 76.1).
- h) In accordance with RRS 76.1 the Organising Authority may reject or cancel the entry of a boat from the Race at its sole discretion.

10) ADVERTISING AND REFERENCE TO RACE

- a) Advertising will be permitted in accordance with the ISAF Advertising Code, Regulation 20.
- b) The Organising Committee may require boats to display sponsor's advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.
- c) A boat shall display the race sponsor's bow decals, backstay flags and forestay flags if so supplied by the Organising Authority. Prior to her warning signal, and after finishing, a boat shall display any event flags.
- d) The name of any boat, whether displaying advertising or not, must be acceptable to the Race Committee. No entry will be accepted from a boat displaying advertising or having a name which conflicts with any interests of the race sponsor, or any sub-sponsor of the event.
- e) The owner and skipper of all boats shall ensure that no "ambush marketing" or "hijack signage" is carried out by or on behalf of themselves or their sponsors with reference to the event and that nothing else is done which might undermine the event, the rights of the event sponsor, or any other sponsor or participant in the event.
- f) The organisers and sponsors shall be entitled to make use of any photograph, film or other form of electronic reproduction of or relating to all boats participating in the event, their owners and crew and to make use of all interviews, broadcasts and reports by any of them for any purpose relating to or arising from the event or the sponsorship thereof.
- g) The skipper of a boat, if and when requested to do so, shall from time to time provide the organisers with a written or verbal report of the boat's current position or any other matter of interest, suitable for use on the radio, television and internet.
- h) The entry of a boat breaching any of the provisions of this clause may be rejected and any boat breaching any of these provisions may be subject to disqualification or such penalty to her corrected time as the Protest Committee may deem fit.
- i) If in doubt, a boat may enquire of the Organising Committee whether it infringes the provisions of any of the above advertising rules.

11) REGISTRATIONS

- a) Registration shall take place at False Bay Yacht Club and Hout Bay Yacht Club during the times as set out below, after which registration shall close:
Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th November 2017, 10h00-16h00 SAST
Wednesday 8th November 2017 10h00-18h00 SAST

12) SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be made available after the closing time for entries.

13) PRIZE GIVING

Prize giving will take place at 15:00 at a Bring and Braai on Sunday 12th November 2017 at the False Bay Yacht Club (or any other venue and time as advised in due course).

14) OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARDS

The Official Notice Boards, bearing the name of the Race, shall be located at the False Bay Yacht Club and Hout Bay Yacht Clubs.

15) INDEMNITIES

- a) The owner and the skipper of each boat entered shall be deemed, on the acceptance of the entry by the Race Committee, on behalf of themselves, their crew, their dependants and their sponsors, to have indemnified the Organisers, the host club, the sponsors and all those involved in the running of the event against all claims of any kind arising from any injury to person or property incurred during or in connection with the event, or from any other cause arising whatsoever.
- b) Owners and skippers are advised to obtain counter indemnities from each member of the crews.

16) JURISDICTIONS

- a) The event, being organised from Cape Town, is subject to the laws of South Africa and accordingly this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- b) Instructions will be construed in accordance with such laws. All participants, owners, skippers and crews shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the High Court of South Africa, Cape Town, which alone shall have jurisdiction in regard to any legal disputes which may arise in connection with or arising from the event and a participant's participation therein.
- c) Owners and skippers of boats participating in the event will be responsible for ensuring that the provisions of this Notice of Race are understood and agreed by all individuals concerned and hereby indemnify the organisers, the sponsors and all those involved in the running of the event against all claims, loss or harm suffered as a result of a failure to do so.

17) ERRORS AND OMISSIONS

On good cause, the Organising Committee reserves the right to amend any of the provisions of this Notice of Race.

Attachments:

Schedule 1: Safety Equipment & Scrutineering Check list

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Race Office Details:

False Bay Yacht Club
Tel: +27 (21) 786 1703/ 082 635 3282
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Email: sailadmin@fbyc.co.za
Postal Address: PO BOX 45, Simon's Town, 7995

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Allan Lawrence: 083 597 2212, allan.blackridge@gmail.com

Hout Bay Yacht Club:

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Bank Details:

Standard Bank
Account name: False Bay Yacht Club
Acc. No: 072066547
Reference: Bay-to-Bay 2017-**[BOATNAME]**