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# Eastern Cape Provincial Championships

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## Incorporating the SA Fireball and Mirror National Championships

is organised by  
**East London Yacht Club**

and will be sailed at

**Wriggleswade Dam  
Stutterheim, Eastern Cape**

from

**3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

### **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 will apply:  
**"The SA Sailing Requirements for Class National Championships"**.
- 1.3** Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the **Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2013-16**, their respective **Class Rules**, this **Notice of Race**, and the **Sailing Instructions**.
- 1.4** **Rule 44.1** is changed such that, for multihull classes only, the two turn penalty is replaced with a one turn penalty.
- 1.5** **All Skippers shall be paid up members in good standing of their respective class association as well as SAS. All fees (membership and entry) shall be paid before the schedule starting time of the first race. Failure to do so will result in that entry being disqualified.**

#### **2 ADVERTISING**

International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 20 – Advertising Code – applies. Boats may 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.

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

- 3.1** In accordance with the ISAF Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (helmsperson and crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing 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.

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Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.

- 3.2** The regatta is open to all dinghies, 4.6m and under and catamarans 4.93m and under are eligible to participate in this regatta – see clause 13 – subject to a minimum of ten valid entries in each Class having been received by close of registration. In the event of a Class not having complied with this requirement, all entries from an unsuccessful Class received will be transferred to an 'O' Class.
- 3.3** Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, or by entering on the web site to:  
Phone: 082 793 6386  
E-mail: Laurence@hawcweb.co.za  
by no later than 31 August 2015  
or enter online at <http://www.elyc.co.za>
- 3.4** In cases of electronic or faxed entry, confirmation of payment as outlined in 3.3 above shall clearly bear the skippers surname and sail no, and be faxed or e-mailed, together with the Entry, to the Regatta Secretary. Late entries will be accepted up to one hour before the start of the first race with an additional payment of R50.00.

#### **4 FEES**

- 4.1** Required fees are – R450 per boat – by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015 (Late entry fee R50 per boat).

#### **5 SCHEDULE**

- 5.1** Registration will take place at the race office from 09.00 to 11:00 am on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015.
- 5.2** A compulsory skippers briefing will be held at 11h00 on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015
- 5.3** The warning signal for the first race will not be before 12:00 noon on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015.
- 5.4** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the next day, as well as the final day, will be displayed on the notice board by 19h00 on the prior day.
- 5.5** No warning signal will be made after 15h00 on the last day of sailing.

#### **6 MEASUREMENTS**

Spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta in order to ensure all boats comply with the class rules.

#### **7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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

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## **8 VENUE**

Racing will take place at Wriggleswade Dam, Stutterheim, Eastern Cape.**9**

### **THE COURSES**

**9** The courses will be windward leeward or triangular as determined and will be indicated on the Regatta Notice Board. A board on the back of the committee boat will display the relevant course to be sailed and will be displayed no later than the warning signal.

## **10 NUMBER OF RACES**

**10.1** The number of races scheduled shall be a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 12, and appear in the Notice of Regatta and in the Sailing Instructions.

**10.2** A minimum of 4 and a maximum of 12 races shall be scheduled

**10.3** Unless otherwise specified in the Sailing Instructions, if more than 4 but less than 10 races are completed the worst score for each yacht will be excluded and if 10 or more races are completed the two worst scores for each yacht will be excluded.

## **11 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**RRS Rule 44** is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for multihull classes only. Rule 44 will apply to all mono hull yachts

## **12 SCORING**

**12.1** Low Point System as described in **RRS 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.

## **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 being 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.
- The class must be recognized as a SAS-affiliated National Class as per the SAS constitution

## **14 SAFETY**

**14.1** Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.

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**14.2** All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid, capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight at all times, while afloat in a yacht.

**14.3** Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy.

**15 SUPPORT BOATS**

Coach or individual support boats shall be marked with the South African flag and 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 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 applies especially to, but not exclusively to mobile telephones.

**17 PRIZES**

Class National Trophies and SA Sailing medals will be presented as per the SAS By-laws.

Other prizes and trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing committee

**18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.

See **RRS 4, Decision to Race**. Neither the Organizing Authority nor any of its officials or other persons associated with the organization and running of the event shall be held responsible or will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**19 INSURANCE**

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

**20 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact:

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