DMSC Inter-Clubs International Sailing Regatta 2027

Notice of Race

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Doha Marine Sports Club (*the Organising Authority*) are pleased to invite the sailors to take part in

DMSC Inter-Clubs International Sailing Regatta
to be held at Katara waterfront, Doha, Qatar
from 23rd to 27th January 2027

1. Rules

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

1.2 In all rules governing this regatta:

1.2.1 [NP] denotes a rule that shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

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 – see RRS 6.1 and the World Sailing Advertising Code.

3. Eligibility, entry and equipment

3.1 The sailing cup is open to boats and to competitors who comply with RRS 6.1 and World Sailing Eligibility Code.

3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form in Appendix 2, not later than **05th January 2027**.

3.3 In addition to the requirement of 3.2 competitors and support persons (team leaders, coaches, supporters, family members etc.) shall deliver signed entry form and register at the Race Office no later than 16:00 on 23rd January 2027.

3.4 Competitors under 18 years of age shall present a completed and signed parent (or guardian) consent declaration form. The consent declaration form may be download from the web page of the regatta.

3.5 The Organizing Authority will process "free entry sports visas" for all participants. Passport copies shall be enclosed with the "Entry Form". 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.

3.6 Details regarding expected arrival date in Qatar and entry point must also be included. All information shall be sent to:

Ahmed Amjad
Mobile (WhatsApp/ Telegram): +974 50671006
E-Mail: a.ahmed@dmsc.gov.qa

3.7 The Organizing Authority will provide boats to the sailors (sailing boats) & the coaches (shared coaching boats) for FREE.

3.8 Optimist, ILCA sailors must bring their own sails and running rigging.

4. Categorization

4.1 No categorization requirements will apply (see RRS 79).

5. Fees

5.1 There will be no entry fee.

6. Regatta format

6.1 The regatta will consist of Single Series with 10 races for all classes.

7. Schedule

7.1 Schedule of races:

Day 1 – 21st January 2027	Registration	08:00-16:00
Day 2 – 22nd January 2027	Registration	08:00-16:00
Day 3 – 23rd January 2027	Registration	08:00-16:00
Day 4 – 24th January 2027	Meeting with sailors and coaches Races (first warning signal)	10:00 11:00
Day 5 – 25th January 2027	Races (first warning signal)	11:00
Day 6 – 26th January 2027	Races (first warning signal)	11:00
Day 7 – 27th January 2027	Races (first warning signal) Closing Ceremony	11:00 TBA

7.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30.

7.3 No more than three 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 In accordance with Racing Rule 78.1, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78.1, competitors are considered to be the owners).

8.3 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**
- **RS Zest**
- **ILCA 4**
- **ILCA 6**
- **ILCA 7**
- **470**
- **Hobie Cat -16**

11. Venue

11.1 The event will be held at Doha Marine Sports Club, Katara waterfront.

11.2 Appendix 1 shows the location of the racing areas.

11.3 The Organising Authority will arrange free transportation from airport to hotel, hotel to regatta venue and hotel to airport.

12. The course

12.1 The course types will be the Olympic trapezoid and/or Windward-Leeward courses and/or Optimist Class Course.

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 70.3(a).

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.

15.3 At least 1 race is required to be completed to constitute the regatta series.

15.4 Discards

- When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
- When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16. [DP][NP] Support person vessels

16.1 All support person vessels 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 Only an accredited person may be a designated driver.

16.3 Each designated driver shall have a motorboat driving license recognized by a national authority appropriate to that boat and appropriate radio operation license recognized by a national authority.

16.4 When flag Y is displayed on the Signal Boat or ashore, Rule 40 applies also for support person vessels - life jackets shall be worn at all times when afloat.

16.5 Kill cord shall be used at all times when the engine is running on the support person vessel.

16.6 In accordance with RRS 37 all registered support person vessels 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.

16.7 All support person vessels shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

17. Berthing

17.1 When berthed, boats shall be kept in their assigned place in the boat park. Boats shall not be moved from their parking spaces toward the launching ramps until flag D is displayed and instructed to do so by the Beach Master.

18. Prizes

18.1 Prizes will be awarded in each group and class by the Organizing Authority, as follows:

- First place – QAR 5000
- Second place – QAR 3000
- Third place – QAR 2000

Groups are as follows:

1. **Optimist Class:**
   - **General overall placing (born after 31.12.2011)**
   - **General overall placing of girls (to be taken out of General overall placing)**
2. **RS Zest Class- General overall placing (for sailors that cannot fit in Optimist)**
3. **ILCA 4 Class - General overall placing (born after 31.12.2009)**
4. **ILCA 6 Class:**
   - **General overall placing - Women**
   - **General overall placing - Men**
5. **ILCA 7 Class - General overall placing**
6. **470 Class - General overall placing**
7. **Hobie Cat -16 Class - General overall placing**

18.2 Special Prizes will be awarded to:

- **Optimist:** Youngest (Girl & Boy)
- **ILCA:** Apprentice, Masters, Grand Masters and Great Grand Masters.

19. Data protection

19.1 All personal data will be treated according to Law No. (13) of 2016 Concerning Personal Data Protection ("the Data Protection Law"). By signing the entry form for participation in the event, each competitor gives his consent his personal data to be collected and processed by the Organising Authority for the purposes of the event and in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing.

20. Disclaimer of liability and Risk Statement

20.1 Competitors and support team participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 3, 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.

20.2 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.

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

21.1 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.

21.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.

21.3 Selected competitors may be required to attend a press conference.

Appendix 1 – The Racing Areas



Appendix 2 – Entry Form

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