

The Mediterranean Shipping Company

is proud to present

THE MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING COMPANY REGATTA 2004

Including

The KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Championships for the IRC Class

NOTICE OF RACE

Notice is hereby given that the above sailing event is scheduled to take place and Race Entries are invited in terms of this Notice

DATES

Saturday 3rd July 2004 to Friday 9th July 2004 both dates inclusive.

VENUE

Point Yacht Club, Maritime Place, Durban.

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Point Yacht Club – Durban under the auspices of Sailing KZN.

CLASSES

The event is an open regatta for the IRC Class, J22, Stadt23, L26, J27, L34, Hunter, Micro-Multi, Cruising (PHRF), and any other One-Design Keelboat Class which complies with the minimum entry number requirements.

RULES

The Regatta will be governed by :

- The 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2001-2004 of the International Sailing Association Federation (ISAF), subject to the changes made in terms of this Notice.
- The Class Rules of all the competing classes, subject to the changes made in terms of this Notice.
- This Notice of Race.
- The Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereof.

Where relevant, precedence shall be given in the reverse order of the above listing.

RULE CHANGES

The RRS will be changed as follows in terms of rule 86.

- Rule 44.2 is changed so that all reference to "720deg turns" is replaced by "360deg turns".

ADVERTISING

Category C will apply in terms of the ISAF advertising code RRS Section II Appendix 1 Regulation 20.

The official event Sponsor is the **Mediterranean Shipping Co**, who may require advertising material to be displayed on competing boats in accordance with RRS Appendix 1 Sub-regulation 20.3.1(d)(i). **Boats shall not display any advertising that is in conflict with that of the official event sponsor.**

ELIGIBILITY

All Skippers shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form. Current valid Club membership cards shall be presented at Registration.

The Owner of a boat entered in an IRC Class shall be a member in good standing of the South African IRC Class Association.

MEASUREMENT or REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES

Each competing boat in any One-Design Class shall hold a valid class measurement or registration certificate issued or accepted by SA Sailing the number of which shall be stated on the entry form. Each competing boat in the IRC Class shall hold a valid rating certificate. A copy of the certificate shall be submitted with the entry form and the original thereof presented for inspection at Registration.

ENTRIES

Entries must be completed on the attached official entry form and submitted together with the required entry fee to the Regatta Secretary at the address below. Telephonic or incomplete entries will not be accepted.

Entry forms must be countersigned by a parent or guardian where the competitor will be under the age of 21 years on the first day of the regatta.

Eligible entries will be accepted until the close of Registration at the venue. Refer to the clause "Registration" below. Entries submitted at the venue may be accepted if accompanied by proof of compliance with the eligibility and measurement / registration certificate requirements.

Entry fees per yacht will be R550.00. A discount of 50% will apply to entries received before close of business at 17h00 on Friday 25th June 2004.

Regatta Secretary Address :

<u>Postal</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>Telecommunications</u>
MSC Regatta	3 Maritime Place	Tel : 031 301 4787
P.O. Box 2224	Durban	Fax : 031 305 1234
Durban	4001	Email : elecspec@saol.com
4000		

PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES

Payment may be made by cash or cheque or bank deposit to the credit of the account detailed below.

In the case of deposits made to the said bank account the bank stamped deposit note or the printed electronic transaction note **and** the completed entry form shall be either mailed or transmitted by fax simultaneously to the Regatta secretary. The deposit document shall state the event and entrants name.

Bank Account details

Account name

Bank

Branch - code

Account No

Point Yacht Club

First National Bank.

Field Street branch - 221426.

50845714233

All Entry Fees shall be paid prior to the close of Entries and Registration. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected boats being scored as Did Not Compete (DNC) until such time as the required payment/s is/are made. This Changes Rule A11 (DNC).

A portion (80%) of a yacht's entry fees may be refunded in the case of boats unable to compete in the regatta, provided an application in writing for such refund is received by the Regatta Secretary within seven days after the first race of the championship.

ENTRY FORMS

Additional entry forms are available on request from the Regatta Secretary.

SCRUTINY of EQUIPMENT

The skippers of all boats in any One-Design Class shall, upon registration, submit the provided "self inspection" form, declaring that their yacht and its equipment complies with the class rules.

REGISTRATION

Entries shall be confirmed by registration with the Regatta Secretary at the venue between 09h00 and 17h00 on Saturday 3rd July 2004 and continuing between 08h00 and 10h00 on Sunday 4th July 2004.

The following documents shall be presented at Registration :

- Completed Entry Form (signed by **ALL** crew members)
- Completed crew list & indemnity (signed by **ALL** crew members)
- Current yacht club membership card (Skipper).

- Measurement or registration certificate where applicable,
- Completed Self-Inspection declaration form. (One-Design Classes)
- Crew weight form. (Where applicable for One-Design classes)

Additional Entry forms, Self-Inspection forms and Crew Weight forms are obtainable from the Regatta Secretary in hard or electronic copy on request.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available from the Regatta Secretary at the regatta venue upon registration.

REGATTA REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify as an MSC Class the following criteria shall be satisfied :

- A minimum of Five valid entries having been received by close of registration.
- At least Five finishers in any one race.
- At least Four races completed.

Should there be less than five entries in any of the designated classes, these boats shall have the option to compete in the PHRF class with a handicap determined by the MSC Handicap Officer.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

An Opening Sail-Past is scheduled to proceed at the harbour mouth at 10h30 on Sunday 4th July 2004.

The First Race of the championship is scheduled to start at 12h00 on Sunday 4th July 2004 and the times for subsequent races will be advised at the venue in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

A maximum of Twelve races are scheduled from Sunday 4th July to Friday 9th July 2004 and no warning signal will be made after 14h30 on the last day of racing.

RACING AREA and COURSES

Racing will take place offshore Durban approximately between the North breakwater of the Harbour and the Umgeni River mouth.

The courses to be sailed will be Windward/Leeward courses as set out in the Sailing Instructions.

HAULING OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out after the scheduled starting time of the first race except in accordance with the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

SAFETY

Boats shall comply with all applicable Class safety requirements.

Notwithstanding any class requirements, all boats shall carry the following minimum safety equipment :

Minimum two litres fresh water

Minimum one serviceable fire extinguisher

Minimum one stout bucket with lanyard attached

One anchor suitable for the size of boat, together with chain and minimum 20m warp.

One approved lifejacket/buoyancy aid for each member of the crew

One lifebuoy

Minimum 20m tow rope

Serviceable inboard or outboard motor

It is recommended that all boats carry the following :

One VHF transceiver with at least channels 16, 12, 9, 6 & 26.

("Durban Port Control" operates on Channel 9.)

One First Aid kit

SCORING SYSTEM

The low points scoring system, RRS A4 will apply.

When four races or fewer have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding one of her worst scores for every five races completed.

One-design classes will be level rated

The IRC class handicaps will be as stated on the valid IRC certificate submitted with the boats entry.

Micro-Multi ratings as determined by the MSC Handicapping Officer will be used to determine the positions in the Micro-Multi Class.

PHRF Handicaps will be determined by the MSC Handicapping Officer, who shall use the PYC PHRF system and any other information he may deem necessary to determine a yacht's handicap. This Class may, at the discretion of the Race Committee, be divided into two or more fleets appropriate to the size and speed of the boats.

All applicable PHRF handicap ratings will be published on the official Notice board by 16h00 on Saturday 3rd July 2004. Any objections to these handicaps shall be submitted in writing to the Race Committee. No protests against PHRF handicaps will be accepted after the start of the first race on Sunday 4th July 2004.

PRIZES & AWARDS

Prizes and awards will be presented at the prize giving scheduled for 19h00 on Friday 9th July 2004.

MSC Trophies and Medals will be awarded as follows in accordance with the stated criteria :

MSC Trophies : Winning boats in all classes
MSC Medals (Gold, Silver & Bronze) : Skipper & Crew members in the top three places of all classes
Other Prizes may be awarded for daily races and overall results.

LIABILITY

Participation in this event is entirely at the risk of competitors and no responsibility for damage or injury resulting therefrom will rest with the organising authority, class associations, or any persons concerned with the conduct of the regatta.

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Point Yacht Club Durban July 2004 to 9th July 2004

ENTRY FORM

The Regatta Secretary
Mediterranean Shipping Company Regatta 2004
PO Box 2224
Durban
4000

Fax : (031) 305 1234

Please enter the following yacht in the above event :

Yacht Details

Name : Class : Category :

Account Name : POINT YACHT CLUB	
Bank	: First National Bank
Branch & code : Field St. 221426	
Account No.	: 50845714233
Type	: Cheque

..... Registration
Number :

Registration / Measurement Certificate : No : Issued by : Issue Date :
(Enclose copy with Entry Form)

Have any alterations been made since the yacht was measured for registration which could affect the validity of the certificate ? **[YES|NO]**

Registered Owner : Yacht Club Member Class Member :

Entry Fees : I enclose the following amount in payment :

R550.00 (R275.00 if paid before close of business on Friday 25th June 2004)

Have you attached the deposit doc ?

Competitor Details

	Helm / skipper	Crew 1	Crew 2	Crew 3
Name				
Yacht Club				
Membership Number				
Class Membership				
Address				
Telephone No				
Facsimile No				
Date of Birth (under 21)				
Signature of Competitor				
Signature Parent or Guardian if under 21				

Competitor declaration

By our signatures above I/we declare and agree ;

- **that** the information provided in this entry form is to the best of our knowledge correct,
- **to** be bound by the rules, requirements and documents governing the event as defined in the Notice of Race,
- **and** to compete in the event entirely at my/our own risk, accepting that none of the organisations or persons concerned in the management of the regatta will accept any liability for damages or injury suffered at any time during the period of and as a result of participation in the Regatta.