

Mediterranean Shipping Company.

THE MSC REGATTA 2005

The L26 Class NATIONAL CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2005

Including

A non championship regatta for the Hunter, Formula-1, Stadt23, IRC, Cruising PHRF, Dragonfly, Micro-Multy and any other One-Design Keekboat class

NOTICE OF RACE

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

DATES

Saturday 2nd July 2005 to Friday 8th July both dates inclusive.

VENUE

Point Yacht Club Durban

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Point Yacht Club in association with the L26 Class Association under the authority and sanction of South African Sailing.

CLASSES

National Championship Classes : L26

A non championship regatta for the Hunter, Formula-1, Stadt23, IRC, Cruising PHRF, Dragonfly, Micro-Multy and any other One-Design Keekboat Class (subject to a minimum of four entries per class) which may utilise the same course as the National Championships.

RULES

The Championships will be governed by ;

- The 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2005-2008 of the International Sailing Federation (ISAF), subject to the changes made in terms of this Notice,
- The ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing 2005-2008,
- The Class Rules of the competing classes as listed below.
- The SA Sailing Requirements for National Championships,
- This Notice of Race,
- The Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereof.

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

In order to cater for all inlands yacht entries, the Organising Authority has obtained an exemption from "The Merchant Shipping (Small Vessel Safety) Regulations 2002, Category D" for all yachts participating in this regatta.

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 "360 deg turns"

ADVERTISING

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

The (principal) event Sponsor is The Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC) who may require advertising material to be displayed on competing yachts in accordance with RRS Appendix 1 Sub regulation 20.3.1(d)(i). Yachts shall not display any advertising which is in conflict with that of any official event sponsor.

ELIGIBILITY

Competitors shall comply with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) eligibility requirement in accordance with RRS Appendix 2 Regulation 21 which requires that all competitors (helmspersons and all other 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. Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards shall be presented at Registration.

Alternatively, a crewmember other than the skipper may pay a non-refundable temporary South African Sailing membership fee for the duration of the regatta of R50.00, to the Championship Secretary for submission to South African Sailing.

The Owner of yachts in the L26 Class, or if the Owner does not form part of the crew, then the Skipper shall be a member in good standing of the L26 Class Association.

MEASUREMENT or REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES

Each competing L26 yacht 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. A copy of the certificate shall be submitted with the entry form and the original thereof presented 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.

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.

Telephonic or incomplete entries will not be accepted.

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 as detailed in the table which follows.

Normal Entries shall be received no later than the close of business on Wednesday June 29th, thereafter Late Entries shall be received at the venue until Closing of Entries at 11h00 on Sunday 3rd July 2005.

Normal Entry Fee	: R 300-00
Late Entry Fee	: R 600-00 payable to :

The MSC Regatta 2005
Point Yacht Club
P.O.Box 2224
Durban 4000
The Regatta Secretary – Gill Campbell
Tel : 083 461 6286 Fax : 032 525 4056
Email : gillcam@iafrica.com

PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES

Payment may be made by cash or cheque, bank deposit or electronically 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: Point Yacht Club.
Bank and Branch: First National Bank – Field St.
Branch code: 221426
Account No: 50845714233
Account Type: Cheque / current

All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of Entries and Registration. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as Did Not Compete until such time as the required payment/s are made. This changes rule A11 (DNC).

A portion (80%) of a yacht's entry fees may be refunded in the case of yachts unable to complete 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

All yachts in the L26 Class shall, prior to registration, be made available for and pass scrutiny by official SA Sailing measurers for compliance with the Class Rules as prescribed in the addendum A to this Notice. The equipment scrutiny certificate (addendum A after completion by a measurer during scrutiny) shall be presented at registration. Such scrutiny will take place at the venue from 08h00 to 16h00 on Saturday 2nd July and from 08h00 to 09h00 to 09h00 on Sunday 3rd July 2005 during registration.

Notwithstanding any prior scrutiny, official SA Sailing measurers may scrutinise any competing yacht during the event.

REGISTRATION

Entries shall be confirmed by registration with the Regatta Secretary at the venue between : 08h30 and 16h30 on Saturday 2nd July and continuing from 08h30 to 11h00 on Sunday 3rd July 2005.

The following documents shall be presented at Registration :

- * Current SA Sailing Membership Card,
- * Current Yacht Club Membership card,
- * Class membership receipt or other proof of membership (L26 Class only).
- * Measurement or registration certificate (L26 Class only).
- * Equipment Scrutiny certificate (L26 Class only).

Competitor's names which do not appear on the relevant official class list for the current year as having paid the annual class subscription fee for the period shall pay the prescribed class membership fee before registration. Where proof of payment of Class Fees is not available a competitor shall pay the required class fee to the Regatta Secretary and the amount will be refunded if proof of prior payment is later submitted.

All fees (entry and class membership) shall be paid before the closing of entries. Refer to the paragraph "Payment of Entry Fees" above.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

EQUIPMENT

Yachts shall display the registered number. Equipment shall not be changed during the event. Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted subject to written approval of the Race Committee.

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 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.

NON CHAMPIONSHIP MSC REGATTA REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify as a separate Regatta Class, the following criteria shall be satisfied;

- * A minimum of four valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race;
- * at least four finishers in any one race of the series;
- * at least four races completed.

SCHEDULE OF RACES

The First Race of the championship is scheduled to start at : 12h00 on 3rd July 2005.
The times for subsequent races will be advised at the venue in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

Twelve races are scheduled.
No warning signal will be made after 14h00 on the last day of racing.

RACING AREA and COURSES

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

The courses to be sailed will be set out in the Sailing Instructions.

HAULING OUT RESTRICTIONS

L26 Class yachts 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

Yachts shall comply with all applicable Class safety requirements.

Notwithstanding any class requirements, all yachts 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 a minimum of 5m of 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. **
** exceptions may be made for certain classes (eg. Flying Fifteen) at the discretion of the Race Committee.

It is recommended that all yachts carry the following :-

One VHF transceiver with channels 6, 9, 12, 16 & 26. "Durban Port Control" operates on Channel 9.)
One First Aid kit.

MSC REGATTA CHAMPIONSHIP 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 worst score for every five races.

MSC REGATTA NON-CHAMPIONSHIP 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 worst score for every five races.

One design classes will be level rated

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

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

PHRF Handicaps will be determined by the NCS Handicapping Officer, who shall use the PYC PHRF system and any other information he may deem necessary to determine a yachts 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 yachts.

All applicable PHRF handicap ratings will be published on the official Notice board by 10h00 on Saturday 2ND July 2005. 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 3rd July.

ISAF ANTI-DOPING CODE

Testing of competitors may be conducted in terms of the ISAF anti-doping code contained in RRS Appendix 3 regulation 19.

Declarations in terms of sub regulation 19.10 and requests for dispensation in terms of sub regulation 19.11 shall be submitted to the SA Sailing Medical Officer.

PRIZES & AWARDS

Prizes and awards will be presented at the prize giving function scheduled for 18h00 on Friday 8th July 2005.

SA Sailing medals will be presented to competitors in the L26 Class in accordance with the SA Sailing requirements for National Championships in accordance with the following table and subject to the event in the L26 class qualifying for National Championship status:

<u>Yachts finishing at least 2 races</u>	<u>Medal</u>
5 to 7	Gold
8 to 10	Gold and Silver
12 or more	Gold, Silver and Bronze

MSC Medals will be presented to all competitors in accordance with the following table:

<u>Yachts finishing at least one race</u>	<u>Medal</u>
4	Gold
5 to 6	Gold & Silver
7 or more	Gold Silver & Bronze

Class floating trophies may be awarded as follows in accordance with the stated criteria ;
The National Championship Trophy Overall winner of the National Championships
MSC Class Trophies Overall winner in each qualifying Class
Other prizes may be presented at the discretion of the Race Committee.

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.

ADDENDA

Entry Form

Approved 7/04/2005

GENERAL INFORMATION

Shipping

Port Authorities in both Durban and Cape Town have waived all charges and shipping for yachts under 40' is provided free of charge by Mediterranean Shipping Company, consequently the only costs that will be incurred, will be your own insurance cover. Should you wish to ship a yacht in excess of 40' please contact the organisers to discuss possible arrangements.

Launching and retrieval will be by crane at the SA Navy piers on Salisbury Island.

It is essential that all applications for shipping be submitted to the Race Secretary **BEFORE 1st MAY 2005**.

For further details please contact Mr. Terry Flynn at the PYC Tel 031 301 4787.

Trailing

A contribution of R400.00 in travelling costs will be made to any entrant who trails a yacht to the regatta from further than 150 Km's from Durban.

Camping

A restricted amount of camping is available free of charge on the PYC grounds on a First Come - First Served basis. Whilst security guards will be on duty during the day, the Organising Authority cannot accept any responsibility for the security of the camp site or any losses that may occur.

A limited number of lockers are available in the club change rooms for campers (enquire on registration) – bring your own padlock.

Catering

Full catering facilities are available in the PYC Restaurants and complimentary breakfasts will be provided to all entrants from outside of Kwazulu Natal.

Orders for pre-packed lunches may be made with the restaurant may be made in advance.

Social

Welcome Cocktail Party will be on Sunday 3rd July 2005.

The Prize Giving function will be held at the PYC on Friday 8th July 2005.

Daily prize giving and other entertainment will be detailed on the notice boards.

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 INCORPORATING
THE L26 NATIONAL CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2004/5

ENTRY FORM

The Regatta Secretary,
 Point Yacht Club
 PO Box 2224
 Durban 4000

Fax (032) 525 4056
 Email gillcam@iafrica.com

Account Name :	Point Yacht Club
Bank :	First National Bank
Branch :	Field St. 221426
Account Number :	50845714233
Type :	Cheque

In terms of the published Notice of Race for the above event, please enter the following yacht in the above Regatta.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY !

Boat Name :Class :Sail Number :

Registration / Measurement Certificate No : **(Where applicable, Enclose copy with Entry Form)**

Registered Owner :Yacht Club MemberClass Member : Yes / No

Name of Helmsman:SAS Membership No.

Contact Tel. No. E-mail address:

Date of Birth (if under 21): Club of which a member:

Name of Crew: SAS Membership No.

Date of Birth (if under 21):.....Club of which a member:

I am a member in good standing of the Class Association (where applicable).

I enclose my Entry Fee as detailed in the Notice of Race for R..... (Enter the appropriate amount, which includes temporary SAS membership fee, where applicable). See **“Eligibility” paragraph in the Notice of Race.** This Entry Form along with a copy of the deposit slip and Measurement Certificate where applicable, are to be faxed to the above fax number to confirm entry formalities!

I declare that:-

No alterations that could affect the above Measurement / Registration Certificate have been made since the certificate was issued. (L26 Class Yachts only)

I agree to be bound by the 2005-8 Racing Rules of the ISAF, the 2005-8 ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing, the SA Sailing Requirements for National Championships where applicable, this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and the relevant Rules of the Class Association.

I am competent to handle a yacht in adverse conditions. I confirm that I am fully aware of the SA Sailing and Class Rules and Regulations governing the wearing and /or carrying of safety equipment in the yacht and that the yacht entered, complies with the minimum buoyancy requirements.

Liability: I agree that competitors sail entirely at their own risk, and agree that none of the organizations or persons concerned in the running of the Championships accepts liability for damages or injury suffered at any time during the period of, or as a result of the Championships.

Signed: _____ Owner / Skipper (Parent or Guardian if a minor) Date: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax _____ Mobile: _____

E-mail address (Please print clearly): _____

PLEASE NOTE: INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

For Office Use:

Date Received: , Class: , Data Captured: