THE MSC REGATTA 2018

Incorporating

The J22 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2018

The L26 CLASS NATAL REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

and including

A Regatta Championship for any One-Design, Racing or Cruising Keelboat and

any Racing or Cruising Category 2 offshore Multihull yacht

will be sailed at

The Point Yacht Club, Durban

from

Friday 29th June to Friday 6th July 2018

The Organising Authority (OA) is Point Yacht Club in conjunction with the South African Sailing

and the J22 & L26 Class Associations

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation [DP] in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-20.

1.2 The SA Sailing Requirements for National and Regional Championships will apply.

1.3 Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2017-20, the Class Rules of the J22, L26, or any other qualifying Classes.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising permitted subject to the limitations of World Sailing (WS) Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display event advertising on the forward part of the hull. (DP)

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 In accordance with World Sailing (WS) Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (Helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SAS 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 or crew list. Current valid SAS Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.
- 3.2 The owner of a boat in the J22 class, and relevant helmspersons shall be paid up members of the SAJ22 Class Association prior to the commencement of the regatta.
- 3.3 The Owner of a boat in the L26 Class, or if the Owner does not form part of the crew, then his representative on the crew shall be paid up members of the L26 Class Association prior to the commencement of the regatta.

3.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached form and sending it, together with the required fee, to:

The Regatta Secretary, P O Box 2224, Durban, 4001

or

by faxing the completed entry to

031 305 1234

or

by email to

gillcam@telkomsa.net

or

by handing it in at registration

to be received no later than 16h00 on Saturday, 30th June 2018.

3.5 In cases of electronic or faxed entry, confirmation of payment as outlined in 3.4 above shall clearly bear the following reference **MSC Week 2018** and be faxed or e-mailed, together with the Entry, to the Regatta Secretary.

4. FEES

- 4.1 Entry Fee: R500.00 per Boat & Skipper plus R100.00 per crew member.
- 4.2 All Entry Fees and Class subscriptions shall be paid prior to the close of 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 is made. This changes rule A11 (DNC).

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration:

	Saturday 30 th June	From	09h00	То	16h00
	Sunday 1 st July	From	09h00	То	16h00
5.2	Measurement and inspection:				
	Friday 29 th June	From	12h00	То	16h00
	Saturday 30 th June & Sunday 1 st July	From	09h00	То	16h00

5.3 Dates of racing:

L26 Class Monday 2nd July to Thursday 5th July. All other Classes Monday 2nd July to Friday 6th July.

Racing Classes:

Micro-Multihulls - Maximum 12 races (Including possible Medium Distance Race).

J22, L26, & Club Classes - Maximum 15 races (Including possible Medium Distance Race).

MSC Racing Classes - Maximum 10 races.

- 5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for offshore racing is 10h55.
- 5.6 On Friday 6th July, no warning signal will be made after 13h00.

6. MEASUREMENTS

Each One-Desing Class boat shall produce a valid measurement/rating certificate. In addition spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

8. VENUE

Racing will take place from the Point Yacht Club offshore Durban.

9. THE COURSES

Racing courses may be Windward/Leeward or any other configuration as depicted in the diagram attached to the Sailing Instructions.

The course for the 'MSC Racing Classes' and any Middle Distance for other classes will be detailed on the official Notice Board before 09h00 on the day of sailing. (Hard copies of the course will be available for competitors on the day).

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for an infringement of Part 2 of the RRS, for all boats other than the J22 Class where Rule 44.1 will remain unchanged.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 Low Point System of Appendix A4 will apply.
- 11.2 (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 from 10 to 14 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.
 - (d) When 15 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her three worst scores.

12. CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

12.1 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.
- At least ten finishers in any two races of the series.
- At least four races completed.

12.2 **REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

In order to qualify as a Regional Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- A minimum of five valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries.
- At least five finishers in any one race of the series.
- At least four races completed.

12.3 REGATTA MSC CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

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

- A minimum of three valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries.
- At least three finishers in any one race of the series.
- At least two races completed.

13. SAFETY

13.1 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.

- 13.2 All competitors shall have a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight on board at all times while afloat in a yacht.
- 13.3 Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!
- 13.4 Notwithstanding any class requirements, all boats shall carry the following minimum safety equipment :-Exceptions may be made for certain classes at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Minimum two litres fresh water, at all times

Minimum one serviceable fire extinguisher.

Minimum one stout bucket with lanyard attached

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

One lifebuoy.

Minimum 20m tow rope.

Serviceable operational inboard or outboard motor.

13.5 It is recommended that all boats carry the following: -

One VHF transceiver with at least channels 6, 9, 16 & 68.

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

One First Aid kit.

14. SUPPORT PERSONAL AND BOATS

- 14.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 150 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished racing, unless the Race Committee signals, a postponement or abandonment. Non-compliance with this rule may lead to action under RRS 64.4. (DP)
- 14.2 Individual Coach and Support boats shall be marked with a White Flag. (DP)

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee. (DP)

16. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta. (DP)

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data commutation that is not available to all boats. (DP)

18. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

18.1 **SAS Medals** will be presented to competitors in the J22 Class in accordance with the SA Sailing requirements for National Championships and in accordance with the following table and subject to the Class qualifying for Championship status:

MEDALS	Number of entries	
GOLD	10 to 14 entries	
GOLD & SILVER	15 to 19 entries	
GOLD, SILVER & BRONZE	20 or more entries	

18.2 **SAS Medals** will be presented to competitors in the L26 Class in accordance with the SA Sailing requirements for Regional Championships and in accordance with the following table and subject to the Class qualifying for Championship status:

MEDALS	Number of entries	
GOLD	5 to 7 entries	
GOLD & SILVER	8 to 11 entries	
GOLD, SILVER & BRONZE	12 or more entries	

18.3 **MSC Awards** will be presented to all competitors in accordance with the following table and subject to the Classes qualifying for Championship status:

Qualifying Boats	<u>Prizes</u>
3 to 6	1^{st} and 2^{nd}
7 or more	1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd}

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20. INSURANCE

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

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

Regatta Convenor :	Jon Marshall	jon@enviroconsult.co.za
Principal Race Officer	Dave Rushton	nelladave@hem.co.za
Regatta Secretary:	Gill Campbell	gillcam@telkomsa.net

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (NOT FORMING PART OF THE NOTICE OF REGATTA)

- All boats whose entries are received by the Race Secretary by close of business on Friday 8th June 2018 will receive one free regatta T-shirt for each member of her crew.
- A limited number of camping sites are available at the PYC site, and bookings are required.
- A welcome cocktail function will be held at 18h30 on Sunday 1st July 2018 in the PYC Islander Room to which all competitors are invited. Extra tickets for support grew are available from the Club Secretary.
- There will be entertainment in 'Charlie's Bar' during the evening.

A Prize Giving function will be held at 18h30 on Friday 6th July 2018 in the PYC Islander Room to which all competitors are invited. Extra tickets for support grew are available from the Club Secretary.