



ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB



## RAMLA BAY WEEKEND REGATTA 2017

# NOTICE OF RACE

## GENERAL

The Ramla Bay Weekend Regatta 2017 is being organised by the Royal Malta Yacht Club and with the support of the Ramla Bay Resort. The Regatta is open to keelboats and sport boats and races will be held between the 8<sup>th</sup> and the 10<sup>th</sup> September.

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the following rules and regulations:
  - 1.1.1 The WS Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.
  - 1.1.2 IRC Rules and Regulations 2017.
  - 1.1.3 International Rules for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall apply between the hours of sunset and sunrise.
  - 1.1.4 This Notice of Race.
  - 1.1.5 The Sailing instructions issued by the RMYC and any amendments thereto.
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict the Sailing Instructions will prevail.
- 1.3 The sailing instructions may invoke rule changes as allowed for in RRS Rule 86.
- 1.4 Boats may display advertising as allowed by their classes according to WS Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display event advertising provided by the Organising Authority as provided for by WS Regulation 20.4.1.1.

## 2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The skipper of each participating boat must be a member of the RMYC or a yacht club affiliated with its MNA.
- 2.2 Boats eligible to race in IRC Divisions must hold a current and valid IRC Rating Certificate and have a SSS rating of not less than 10. No alteration to a boat's TCC will be permitted within one week of the start of a race or series of races except as a result of a rating protest, to correct an error in a certificate or at the discretion of the racing committee, to include a genuine amendment which does not seek to gain unfair advantage contrary to the spirit of the IRC rule.

## 3 CLASSES

- 3.1 Boats may enter in the IRC Racer Division, the IRC Cruiser Division, the Club Cruiser Division, the NHC Sportboat Division or any One Design Class as defined in RMYC Racing Classes 2017.1. Participating boats may be further split into classes by the Race Committee by TCC

depending on entries. The list of boats in each class will be placed on the official notice board at the RMYC by Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September, by not later than 12:00 hrs.

- 3.2 Any boat which was not rated through the club, or has not already submitted a copy of their current IRC measurement certificate must submit a copy of their certificate with their entry.
- 3.3 All keelboats must be equipped with a functioning marine VHF transceiver capable of operating on channel 72.

## 4 REGISTRATION

- 4.1 A competitor shall enter by submitting a completed Entry Form to the Club Secretary by Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September. The RMYC may accept an entry by email or over the telephone but a signed entry form and all other entry requirements must be completed to the satisfaction of the RMYC before the start. For information contact the Club Secretary on 21333109 or info@rmyc.org.
- 4.2 A race briefing will take place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 19:30 hrs at the RMYC and is compulsory for at least one representative from each entrant.
- 4.3 The Entry fee for the event is €35 for full Members of the RMYC. This fees shall be increased by 10 euros for entrants that are not full members of the RMYC. The fee may be paid at the RMYC Office during normal office hours, before the briefing up to 19:30.
- 4.4 Entries may be accepted after Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be subject to an additional late entry fee of €10.
- 4.5 Cancellations before the race briefing will be eligible for a full refund of the race entry fee. Cancellations after the race briefing and before the start will be eligible for a refund of 50% of the race entry fee. If the RMYC is not informed of cancellation as described above the full fee will be due without refund unless good reason can be shown.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENT

- 5.1 Registration + Briefing Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 19:00 hrs. at RMYC

- 5.2 Races:

IRC Cruiser Division and Club Handicap Division:

Race 1	Friday	8 <sup>th</sup> September	09:55 hrs. 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal
Race day 2 first race	Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> September	09:55 hrs. 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal
Race day 3	Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> September	09:55 hrs. 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal

IRC Racer Division and Sportboat Division:

Race 1	Friday	8 <sup>th</sup> September	10:05 hrs. 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal
Race day 2 first race	Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> September	10:05 hrs. 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal
Race day 3	Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> September	10:05 hrs. 1 <sup>st</sup> warning signal

- 5.3 Other Activities:

Barbeque	Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> September	20:00 hrs. Ramla Bay Resort
Prize Giving	Friday	15 <sup>th</sup> September	19:30 hrs. RMYC

## 6 SCORING SYSTEM

- 6.1 Races will be scored using the Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A as modified in 6.2 below.
- 6.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, with its worst score excluded where at least 5 races are sailed. If less than five races no score shall be excluded. The Regatta shall remain valid if at least one race is sailed.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions issued by the RMYC will be made available to registered entries during the briefing.

## **8 BRIEFING**

- 8.1 The briefing will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at RMYC at 20:00 after registration. Further information may be given by VHF on channel 72, 20 minutes before the race.

## **9 COURSES**

- 9.1 IRC Cruiser Division and Club Handicap Division  
Race 1 will be a passage race starting from Marsamxett and finishing at Ramla.  
Races on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September will be one or two coastal races starting and finishing off Ramla.  
Race on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September will be a coastal race starting and finishing off Ramla.
- 9.2 IRC Racer Division  
Race 1 will be a passage race starting from Marsamxett and finishing off Ramla.  
Races on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September will be up to three round the cans races.  
Race on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September will be a coastal race starting and finishing off Ramla.
- 9.3 The Race committee may change courses of races depending on entries and conditions. Further details regarding the course to be sailed will be given in the Sailing Instructions and on VHF Ch:72, 20 minutes before the start of the race.

## **10 PRIZEGIVING**

- 10.1 Prizes will be awarded in each class according to the RMYC racing classes 2017.1 appropriate to the number of entries at a prize-giving evening on the Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September at RMYC.

## **11 RESPONSIBILITY**

- 11.1 Yacht racing can be dangerous. The attention of owners and kippers is drawn to RRS Fundamental Rule 4: "A yacht is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing" and Special Regulation 1.02(a) (in this Programme) which begins "The safety of a yacht and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner, or owner's representative..."
- 11.2 The sponsor and/or the RMYC accept no responsibility or liability for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.
- 11.3 The owner and crew will be held jointly responsible for the conduct of the yacht's crew before, during and after a race. Misconduct may result in both owner and crew being excluded from future races and renders a yacht liable to disqualification.
- 11.4 The Race Committee will make starting signals unless in their opinion it is manifestly unsafe for any of the yachts entered to remain in the vicinity of the starting line. Each yacht shall exercise her responsibility under RRS Fundamental Rule 4 and decide whether or not to start or to continue to race.
- 11.5 No yacht will be accepted as an entry unless its owner or his/her representative has before the start of the race signed the declaration in the entry form.
- 11.6 Crew members' attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 life-saving equipment..."Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing personal buoyancy adequate for the conditions"

## **12 INSURANCE**

- 12.1 All boats participating in the event shall hold adequate third party liability insurance valid while racing. Any boat that has not already submitted a copy of their insurance certificate, must submit a copy of their insurance certificate with their entry.



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**Ramla Bay Resort  
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## **Resort Packages and Social events**

### **Accommodation Packages**

#### **2 Nights Package**

Price Per Person on Half Board basis including BBQ on one of the nights € 165.00.

#### **1 Night Package**

Price Per Person including BBQ € 105.00

Twin Single Use Supplement € 50.00 per night.

#### **Children**

0-3 years are free

4-12 years pay 50% of the rate (2 nights €82.50 per child, 1 night €52.50 per child)

Sea View Supplement € 8.00 per adult

Check-in is after 14.00 hrs whilst check-out is by 11.00

### **BBQ – Saturday 9th September – Ramla Bay Resort Hotel**

A menu consisting of Antipasti, Pasta, Grills, Salads and Dessert - €30 per person

### **PRIZE-GIVING – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September at RMYC**

For further information please contact the Royal Malta Yacht Club on Tel:21 333109 or by e-mail at [info@rmyc.org](mailto:info@rmyc.org).