



# Cape 31 Invitational Regatta

Table Bay, Cape Town

12 - 15 March 2020



## Notice of Race

### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is Royal Cape Yacht Club (RCYC).

### 2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2 The Cape 31 Class Rules will apply with the following amendment: All restrictions in terms of the World Sailing Sailor Classification Codes of the helmsman and crew members are deleted.
- 2.3 The Merchant Shipping (National Small Vessel Safety) Regulations 2007 - Category D will apply.

### 3. ADVERTISING

3.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with the Cape 31 Class Rules and World Sailing Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and/or supplied by the Organising Authority.



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## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 International teams may enter the regatta by sending the completed entry form by 16:00 on Friday, 6 December 2019 to the Event Manager via email to [mikhayla@worldsport.co.za](mailto:mikhayla@worldsport.co.za).

4.2 In accordance with the International World Sailing 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 SA Sailing or their Member National Authority. The Organising Authority decides entry in the event and this decision will be final and binding

4.3 All fees and further details can be found on attached brochure and entry form.

4.4 Each chartered boat will have an owners' representative on board. For complying with the Cape 31 crew weight limit of 595 Kgs, the owners' representatives will be deemed to weigh no more than 85 Kgs. All teams competing in the regatta are able to nominate one sailor who shall be deemed to weigh no more than 85kg.

## 5. SAFETY

5.1 All boats shall carry on-board a VHF Radio capable of receiving all the usual marine channels.

5.2 All boats shall have a valid Category D COF certificate unless the Race Committee grants special exemption.

5.3 All boats shall have a person on board with a valid Skippers Certificate (Day Skipper minimum).

5.4 A man-overboard procedure shall be practiced aboard each boat at least once by the crew racing in the regatta prior to the first race of the series.

## 6. COMMUNICATION

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

6.2 In addition to VHF announcements the Race Committee will use "WhatsApp" to communicate using a boat's registered mobile telephone number provided to the Event Organising Committee.



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## 7. SCHEDULE

<b>Monday, 19 August 2019</b>	Entries Open
<b>Friday, 6 December 2019</b>	Entries Close
<b>Wednesday, 11 March 2020</b>	Cape 31 Boat Handover
<b>Thursday, 12 March 2020</b>	11h00 - 13h00 Registration at Cape 31 Race Village, V&A Waterfront 14h00 Harbour exit 15h00 - Warning Signal, Practice Starts 15h30 - Warning Signal, Practice Race 18h00 - Welcome Function at Race Village
<b>Friday, 13 March 2020</b>	10h00 - Harbour Exit 12h00 - First Warning Signal - 2 races scheduled
<b>Saturday, 14 March 2020</b>	10h00 - Harbour Exit 11h00 - First Warning Signal - 3 races scheduled
<b>Sunday, 15 March 2020</b>	10h00 - Harbour Exit 11h00 - First Warning Signal - 3 races scheduled No Warning Signal will be made after 15h00 Prize Giving after racing (target 17h30)

## 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Cape 31 website [www.cape31.co.za](http://www.cape31.co.za) by 16:00 on 31 January 2020 and will be available at registration.

## 9. RACE AREAS

9.1 The race area will be in and around Table Bay



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## 10. THE COURSES

10.1 The Courses will use various Harbour Navigational buoys, RCYC permanent buoys, Robben Island, Barker Rock and special laid inflatable buoys. A variety of windward / leeward and round-the-buoys courses will be provided. Downwind and reaching starts may be used. Further details will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

## 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.  
11.2 Appendix T1, Post-race Penalties, will apply.

## 12. ARBITRATION

12.1 Appendix T2, Arbitration Meeting, will apply

## 13. SCORING

13.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.  
13.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
13.3 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 14. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

14.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## 15. PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be awarded at the prize giving to the first, second and third placed boats.



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## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

16.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, all competitors agree and acknowledge that:

16.2.1 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;

16.2.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;

16.2.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;

16.2.4 Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;

16.2.5 The provision of a Race Management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the Event Organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;

16.2.6 The provision of patrol boat cover if any is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can practically be provided in the circumstances;

16.2.7 It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules or information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event;

16.2.8 They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy so as to be able to face extremes of weather; that there is a crew sufficient in number, experience and fitness to withstand such weather; and that the safety equipment is properly maintained, stowed and in date and is familiar to the crew.

16.2.9 Their boat is adequately insured, with cover of at least €150 000 or South African Rand equivalent against third party claims.

## 17. RIGHT AND COPYRIGHT

17.1 By participating in the Cape 31 Invitational Regatta, all competitors automatically grant the Event Organisers permission to make, use and show, from time to time, any motion pictures and live, taped or film television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the event without compensation, in perpetuity.



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## 18. BOAT CHARTERS

18.1 Contact Event Organiser to arrange a charter. See contact details below.

## 19. CONTACT INFORMATION

### Organising Authority

Royal Cape Yacht Club

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