

# MUSSANAH RACE WEEK

1st – 8th October 2024 Mussanah, Oman

## Notice of Race

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**Oman Sail (*the Organizing Authority*) in co-operation with Oman Maritime Sports Committee are pleased to invite the sailors to take part in Mussanah Race Week to be held at Barceló Mussanah Resort, Sultanate of Oman from 1st – 8th October 2024.**

*[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and maybe less than disqualification.*

*[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by boat.*

*[SP] denotes a rule which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing.*

## **1. Rules**

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2** No National Authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3** Rule 61.1 'Informing the Pro-test' is changed as follows: Add to rule 61.1(a) 'The protesting boat shall inform the race committee of the boat/s being protested at the finishing line immediately after finishing.'
- 1.4** The Class Rules of the relevant Classes will apply.
- 1.5** No Class Rule change will apply.
- 1.6** The language of the regatta will be English. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## **2. [DP][NP] Advertising and identification**

- 2.1** Boats may be required to display bow numbers and/or advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

## **3. Eligibility, entry and equipment**

- 3.1** The regatta is open to boats and to competitors in Optimist, ILCA4, ILCA6, ILCA7 & Parasailing RS Venture who comply with WORLD SAILING Regulation 19 – Eligibility.
- 3.2** The age categories are as follows:
  - Optimist – Born in 2009 or later.
  - ILCA 4 – Born in 2007 or later.
  - ILCA 6 – Open
  - ILCA 7 – Open
  - RS Venture - Open
- 3.3** Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form in the web page of the regatta: <http://www.omansail.com/events-mussanah-race-week-2024>, not later than 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

- 3.4** In addition to the requirement of 3.3 competitors, team leaders, coaches, supporters, family, and other personnel shall deliver signed entry form and register at the Race Office no later than 30<sup>th</sup> September **2024**.
- 3.5** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 3.6** Entries will be confirmed after the entry form and the deposit has been received.
- 3.7** For visa purposes, if needed, it is essential to receive the following data: full name of the competitor (or coach, team leader, supporter, family, friend, etc.) (as per passport); passport number, date and place of issue, expiry date and a photocopy of passport showing identification photograph and the details listed above. Details regarding expected arrival date in Oman and entry point must also be included.
- 3.8** Optimist sailors must bring their own sail, ropes, and spare parts.
- 3.9** ILCA 4, ILCA 6 & ILCA 7 sailors will be provided only with hull, top mast, bottom mast, boom, and trolley. The sailors shall bring their own sail, ropes, other equipment, and spare parts.
- 3.10** RS Venture boat will be provided as a full boat including sails.

#### 4. Classification

- 4.1** No classification requirements will apply (see RRS 79)

#### 5. Fees

- 5.1** The entry fee for the regatta will be **150 USD + 5% VAT**.
- 5.2** Late competitor entries accepted at registration may incur a late entry fee of **200 USD + 5% VAT**.
- 5.3** Entry fees registration shall be paid on the registration platform.
- 5.4** Entry fees paid by bank transfer to:

Account Name : OMAN SAIL LLC  
Account No : 0463002734340091  
Bank : BANK MUSCAT  
Branch : Opera House, Muscat, Oman  
SWIFT : BMUSOMRXXXX  
IBAN : IBAN is not applicable in Oman

**E-mail confirmation of payment to:**

[Shaima.alasmi@omansail.com](mailto:Shaima.alasmi@omansail.com).

## 6. Entry

Entries shall be made by submitting the relevant registration forms, available on the event website <http://www.omansail.com/events-mussanah-race-week-2024>

## 7. Regatta format

7.1 The regatta for all classes will be fleet racing.

7.2 For the Optimist class, **IF THERE ARE MORE THEN 80 ENTRIES** the boats will be divided into fleets as nearly as possible equal size.

## 8. Schedule

8.1 Schedule of races:

Date	Remarks	Time
1 <sup>st</sup> October 2024	Official Arrival Day Registration and equipment inspections <i>Practice day</i>	09:00 - 12:00 13:00
2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2024	Registration and equipment inspections <i>Practice day</i>	09:00-12:00 13:00
3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2024	COMPETITORS' BRIFING <i>Practice day</i> BBQ Night	09:30 12:00 18:30-21:00
4 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races	09:30 12:00
5 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races	09:30 12:00
6 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races	09:30 12:00
7 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races Closing Ceremony	09:30 11:30 16:30
8 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Departure day	All day

8.2 No warning signal will be given after 14:00 on the last day.

8.3 No more than **3** races shall be sailed each day.

8.4 If fewer than 3 races sailed, an extra race can be scheduled for the following day (This changes 7.3)

8.5 12 races are scheduled.

## 9. [DP][NP] Measurement and equipment inspection

9.1 A Technical Committee shall be appointed in accordance with RRS 92.

9.2 In accordance with Racing Rule 78, competitors are responsible for maintaining their boat in accordance with the Class Rules (for the purpose of Racing Rule 78, competitors considered to be the owners).

9.3 Measurement inspections at random during the regatta may be organized.

## 10. Sailing instructions

10.1 Sailing instructions will be available during registration at the Race Office. Other documents governing the event will be published with the Sailing Instructions.

## 11. Venue

11.1 The regatta site is located at **Barceló Mussanah Resort**

- **Booking code:** MRW24
- **Address:** Wudam Al Sahil, Mussanah, Sultanate of Oman
- **Location:** [Link](#)
- **Tel:** (+968) 2687 1592
- **Mob:** (+968) 9541 0872
- **WhatsApp:** (+968) 71555427
- **E-mail:** [Mussanahresort.res@barcelo.com](mailto:Mussanahresort.res@barcelo.com)

11.2 Appendix 1 shows the location of the racing areas.

## 12. The course

12.1 The course types will be the Olympic trapezoid and/or Windward-Leeward courses and/or Optimist Class Course.

## 13. Penalty system

13.1 Appendix P, *Special Procedures for RRS 42*, will apply.

13.2 RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

## 14. International Jury

14.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with RRS 91(b).

14.2 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## 15. Scoring

15.1 The low point system of RRS Appendix A shall apply.

15.2 There will be 12 races in the Single Series. There will be 12 races in the Opening and the Final Series.

15.3 Discards

When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 16. Coach and Support boats

- 16.1** All coach and support boats shall be registered (see 3.3) with the organizing authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organizing authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 16.2** Registered coach and support boats shall:
- fly a flag with their three-letter national code (see RRS G1.1) clearly displayed or shall be permanently marked with a sticker of their three-letter national code on each side of the boat or engine. The minimum height for the letters shall be 200 mm. The letters will not be provided by the Organizing Authority.
- 16.3** Registered coaches and support boats shall act as assistance / rescue boats in case of need and shall comply with any instruction given by the Race Committee or the Organizing Authority.
- 16.4** All coaches and support boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

## 17. Charter boats:

- 17.1** The charter fee for the championship days will be as follows:
- Optimist: USD 500 (7 days).
  - ILCA Boats: USD 750 (7 days).
  - RS Venture (Para Sailing Boat) USD 50. Per day.

Reservation of charter boats shall be made by submitting the preliminary entry list. The charter fee shall be paid upon registration.

- 17.2** In addition to the charter fee, a damage deposit of **USD 100** per boat will be charged at registration and refunded at the end of the championship provided the boat is in good condition. Should the organizing committee decide to deduct from the damage deposit, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the competitor is permitted to use the boat again. Any

remaining deposit will be refunded at the end of the championship.

## 18. Ribs Charter:

**18.1** Support boats are available to all coaches at **USD 150** per day. Use of a support boat includes insurance coverage, berthing fees without fuel. As the number of available support boats is limited, requests will be accommodated on a first come-first served basis and coaches may be required to share support boats.

**18.2** Damage deposit for the Support boat will be **USD 400** (OMR 150) per boat.

## 19. Prizes will be awarded

### Optimist:

- Overall top 3
- Juniors Sailor U.12 top 3
- Girl top 3
- Optimist Team Racing top 3 Countries.

### ILCA 4:

- Overall top 3

### ILCA 6:

- Overall top 3

### ILCA 7:

- Overall top 3

### RS Venture:

- Overall top 3

**NB:** Top 3 prizes will be awarded if there are 5 or more entries in the category. If there are less the following prizes will be awarded (4 entries - top 2 places), (3 entries only the first 1<sup>st</sup> place)

## 20. Disclaimer of liability and Risk Statement

**20.1** Competitors and support teams participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

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.
2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.

4. By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
5. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
6. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

**20.2** The Organizing Authority and all parties involved in the regatta organization will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **21. [DP][NP] Media Rights, Cameras and Electronic Equipment**

- 21.1** By participating in the regatta competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped, or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.
- 21.2** Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the Organizing Authority.
- 21.3** Selected competitors may be required to attend a press conference.

## **22. Insurance**

- 22.1** Each participating person and boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of USD 1 500 000 per incident or equivalent.
- 22.2** The Organizing Authority is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of certificates.

## Appendix 1 – The Racing Areas

