

SB20 One Design Race

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NOTICE OF RACE

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1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-28 (RRS)*.
- 1.2. All Competitors must adhere to DMA Regulations. It is the responsibility of the skipper to be compliant to all local authorities' rules and regulations.
- 1.3. The SB20 class rules will apply with changes under RRS 87 as described in Appendix A.
- 1.4. In the event of a conflict between documents, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes RRS 63.5 (c).
- 1.5. The Race Committee will stop a boat launching, or require it to return ashore, if they decide that a boat, its equipment and/or helm are not adequate for the likely conditions.
- 1.6. Each boat must carry an alternative means of propulsions in the form of an engine or two paddles.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available at the Club and on the website one day before the first race day.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board is located on the event page of the Club Website.
- 3.2. A boat that retires from a race shall make every effort to inform the Race Committee as soon as practical.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Entries will be made on the day via the sign on form available at Dubai Offshore Sailing Club (DOSC)
- 4.2. The event is open to the following boats:

| CLASS | RACING FORMAT | MIN NO OF ENTRIES PER RACE |
|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| SB20 | One Design Fleet Racing | 3 |

- 4.3. When the number of boats entered is below the minimum on a particular race day, racing will be cancelled and the day may not be rescheduled.

- 4.4. All boats must race with a unique sail number approved by SB20 UAE Class Association clearly visible on both sides of the main sail.
- 4.5. This event is only open to one design SB20s. The Organizing Authority (OA) reserves the right to refuse any entry based on the type of boat not being suitable for the event.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The following entry fees will apply for one day and two-day racing weekend.

| | DOSC MEMBERS OWNED BOAT | | NON-MEMBERS |
|-----------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | STORED AT DOSC | STORED OUTSIDE | STORED OUTSIDE |
| Entry fee | Free | 100 AED | 200 AED |

- 5.2. This entry fee includes entry, berthing, launch and recovery at DOSC. Overnight berthing for non-members is subject to guest berth availability.
- 5.3. Entry fees are to be settled at the reception prior to boat being launched. Boats that fail to pay this entry fee are deemed not to have entered the day's racing and will not be included in the results.
- 5.4. Visiting boats can only remain at DOSC on racing days – from the morning of first race till evening of the last race.
- 5.5. The entry fee is non-refundable.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1. Crew limitations are described in the SB20 class rules.

7. ADVERTISING

- 7.1. Boats may be required to display advertising or identification numbers chosen and supplied by the Organization Authority (OA). The OA reserves the rights to the first 20% of the hull length from the bow on both sides of the boat.

8. QUALIFYING SERIES AND FINAL SERIES

Does not apply.

9. RACING SCHEDULE

- 9.1. The event is scheduled and divided into series as follows:

| Event | Date | Times | |
|------------|-------------|----------------------|------|
| Race Day 1 | 04-Apr-2026 | Briefing | 1130 |
| | | First Warning Signal | 1300 |
| Race Day 2 | 05-Apr-2026 | Briefing | 1130 |
| | | First Warning Signal | 1300 |

- 9.2. Four (4) races are scheduled for each Race Day.
- 9.3. If in the opinion of the Race Committee, the Race Series is behind schedule or likely to fall behind schedule, more races than scheduled will be raced one day.

10. EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS

- 10.1. Race Officials may inspect any boat at their discretion at any time. Competitors shall comply with any reasonable instruction to facilitate equipment inspection.

11. CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

- 11.1. Clothing and Equipment are described in the SB20 class rules.

12. VENUE

- 12.1. The venue will be the Dubai Offshore Sailing Club (DOSC)

- 12.2. The Start line will be within 4 miles of DOSC.

13. COURSES

- 13.1. Courses will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1. RRS Appendix T will apply.

- 14.2. The penalty for a breach of a rule, other than a rule of Parts 1 and 2 of the Racing Rules of Sailing may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 15.2. Boats may exclude a race score from her series score after five completed races.

16. SUPPORT BOATS

- 16.1. Support boats may be subject to restrictions that will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions

17. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

Does not apply.

18. BERTHING

Does not apply.

19. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Does not apply.

20. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC TOOLS

Does not apply.

21. DATA PROTECTION

- 21.1. Competitors, crew and support persons must understand that the Organizing Authority (OA) will hold and use personal data for the purpose of the event and the application of the rules. Further information can be found at [Club Data Policy](#)

- 21.2. DOSC and/or participating in DOSC-affiliated activities, whether on or off the official DOSC premises, competitors grant DOSC, on behalf of competitors, competitor's family, including their child(ren), and/or competitor's guests the

irrevocable right and permission to photograph and/or record competitors, competitor's family, competitor's child(ren) and/or competitor's guests and to use the photograph(s) and/or recording(s) for any purpose as determined by DOSC at its sole discretion. Competitors waive any right to inspect or approve the use of the photograph(s) and/or recording(s), as well as any rights that competitors may have regarding the photograph(s) and/or recording(s) that may arise now, in the past or in the future. Competitors acknowledge and agree that the rights granted in this release are without compensation.

22. RISK STATEMENT

22.1. Rule 3 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." Sailing is by its nature unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledge that:

- a. 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.
- b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore.
- c. They accept any responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
- d. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- e. The provision of the race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- f. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g. It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risk specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.
- h. They are responsible for ensuring that their boat is equipped and seaworthy 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.

23. INSURANCE

23.1. All boats shall hold adequate racing insurance and in particular hold against third party claims in the sum of at least \$500,000 or AED 1,800,000.

24. PRIZES

24.1. Prizes will be specified in the event Sailing Instructions

25. FURTHER INFORMATION

25.1. All events will be conducted in accordance with the RYA Racing Charter.

Appendix A - SB20 Class Rules Changes

SB20 class rules apply as available <https://www.sb20class.org/class-rules/> with the following changes.

1. Article C.4.1 point 1 is changed as follows.

*The boat shall be equipped with a personal flotation device for each crew member to the minimum standard ISO 12402-5 (Level 50), or USCG Type III, or AUS PFD 1 which **may be stored on deck or inside the main storage hatch provided they are easily reachable in the event of an emergency.***

2. Article C.5.1 Mandatory Equipment is deleted entirely and replaced with the wording:

The following safety equipment shall be carried at all times:

- a) One floating throwing line, not less than 10m long and 6mm diameter.*
- b) Two paddles of combined minimum weight not less than 1 kg.*
- c) A functioning VHF radio or a functioning mobile phone used for emergency purposes only while racing*
- d) First aid kit in waterproof container*
- e) A knife or a multi-tool containing a knife*