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# **NOTICE OF RACE**

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# **ROYAL SELANGOR YACHT CLUB**

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# 33<sup>rd</sup> Raja Muda Selangor International Regatta 17<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023

The Royal Selangor Yacht Club (RSYC) is pleased to announce the 33<sup>rd</sup> Raja Muda Selangor International Regatta (RMSIR 2023), which will retain the traditional format of this historic regatta. The underlying aim of the event has always been to provide fair, competitive and enjoyable racing for all crews, irrespective of the design or vintage of their yachts.

Over the past years, RMSIR has established a format of passage and harbour racing, interlaced with social events, which will be preserved, wherever possible, for this event. Because of ongoing health concerns, travel and event regulations are not as they used to be pre Covid, so there may be slight alterations to format to accommodate such restrictions. Additionally, participants must be aware that, due to ever changing regulations and restrictions, this NOR and associated documentation may be amended at any time before or during the event, and in extreme situations the event, or parts thereof, may need to be cancelled or amended at short notice.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule indicates that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### **ORGANISING AUTHORITY**

The event is organised by the Royal Selangor Yacht Club (RSYC).

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The following will apply:
  - The IRC Rules 2023
  - The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4 for Monohulls & Multihulls
  - The RMSIR Rating System for Non-IRC classes
  - The OMR Rating System for Multihull class (if any)
  - This Notice of Race
  - The Sailing Instructions Note: Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions; the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. (this changes RRS63.7).
  - No national prescriptions will apply.
  - RRS Appendix RV shall apply between sunset and sunrise (as defined in the RMSIR 2023 SIs) and will replace the rules of RRS Part 2. 1.4. This changes RRS Definitions and RRS Part 2 Rule 17
- 1.3 IRC Rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There will be no limitation on crew numbers or weight except as required for boats racing under a one-design class rating where class limitations may apply.
- 1.4 The use of a spare Spinnaker as a replacement for a damaged sail is allowed provided it is carried on-board at ALL times while racing ALL races. As permitted by IRC Rule 21.1.5 (f), boats shall obtain permission from the race committee before replacing damaged sails. In granting permission, the race committee may limit the races for which a replacement sail may be used.
- 1.5 For the purpose of IRC Rules 21.1.5(d) & (e) this Regatta is on consecutive days and the sails carried shall remain the same and remain on board for all races.
- 1.6 The use of Automatic and wind-vane devices for steering is permitted for all classes. This changes IRC Rule 15 and RRS 52.
- 1.7 Life rafts, AIS transponders and EPIRBS are all highly recommended.
- 1.8 All boats shall carry an identifiable sail number on their main sails and spinnakers. However, RRS 77, Appendix G of the RRS and Para. 14.1 of the IRC Rules shall not apply. The Race Committee may relieve a boat of her obligations under this Clause, but only if a request is made to the Race Committee no later than 24 hours prior to the warning signal of the first race in which relief is sought. (This changes RRS 77). [NP]

- 1.9 All boats shall carry a GPS device and have the ability to record the time when crossing a line of latitude/longitude, or rounding a Mark or Virtual Waypoint or Gate.
- 1.10 WS Test Rule DR21-01 (Definition of a Start) shall apply for all <u>passage races only</u> and the definition of *Start* is changed as follows:

**Start:** A boat *starts* when her hull, having been entirely on the pre-start side of the starting line, and, having complied with rule 30.1 if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either:

- (a) at, or after, her starting signal, or
- (b) during the last TWO minutes before her starting signal.

When a boat *starts* in accordance with item (b) of the definition of *Start*, she may return to the pre-start side of the line to comply with item (a) of the definition of *Start*, but, if she does not, the starting penalty shall be to add 10% to her elapsed time.

- 1.11 RRS Rule 52 will not apply to boats in the IRC Classes and Class 7, which have declared the use of stored power to the Rating Authority (IRC or OMR) prior to the issue of the current certificate, or to all boats, who may use stored power for sail adjustment.
- 1.12 Boats with series date of 2000 and later shall have a minimum STIX/IRC STIX value of 23. Boats with series date before 2000 shall have a minimum STIX/IRC STIX value of 23 or a minimum SSS Base Value of 15.
- 1.13 RRS Appendix WP shall be in effect for Passage Races 1,2,& 5 where WP3 (Rule 28) and WP4 shall take precedence.
- 1.14 A boat that breaks RRS 42 in order to comply with IRPCAS, or for other safety reason, shall report the incident to the race committee before the end of the protest time limit for that race. If no racing advantage was gained, there will be no penalty. In cases of doubt, the race committee shall protest the boat in order that the protest committee may hear the case and decide any appropriate penalty.
- 1.15 Race Declarations shall be completed by **ALL** skippers of all boats after each offshore passage race (races 1,2 & 5), within the protest time limit: form and details are in S.I.

Such declarations will include, but not limited to, the following information:

- i. Yacht Name, Sail / Entry Number, Race number, Finish date/time & location.
- ii. Weather conditions during the race,
- iii. Evidence of passing any virtual marks, gates and finish line.
- iv. Details of any incidents on route, including of any use of the engine, protests and details of any on-water scoring penalties taken.
- v. Any damage to the boat while racing.

#### 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising is permitted on a boat or crew in accordance with the WS Advertising Code.
- 2.2. Boats wishing to carry sponsors names or logos on sails, and/or hulls should seek approval from the organizing committee in order to prevent conflicts with Regatta Sponsors.
- 2.3. The organizing committee may require all boats to display the Regatta sponsors advertising on their boats.

## 3. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 Owners or their representatives may request their boat to be entered in any one of the published classes. However, the Race Committee may split Classes into Divisions or combine Classes and reserves the right to adjust the eligibility criteria of Classes and allocation of boats to Classes. The determination of such shall not be grounds for protest nor redress.[NP]
- 3.1.1 Class/division allocations will be made according to entries received and will be confirmed by 1700 on Friday 17th November. Draft class splits will be posted on the official website approximately one week earlier in order to allow comment from competitors.

- 3.1.2 Boats rating 0.010 or less below the lower limit of the next class up may request permission to move up to a class above. The decision of the Race Committee is final and not subject to claims for Redress. This changes RRS 60.1 (b)
- 3.2 Classes will be based on actual entries received but will PROVISIONALLY be:

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Class 1 - (Racing)
                                    (IRC)
  Class 2 - (Premiere Cruising)
                                    (IRC)
                                                 (>48ft, fully fitted for live-aboard)
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   Class 3 - (IRC Sports)
                                    (IRC)
   Class 4 - (Fast Cruising)
                                    (Non-IRC)
   Class 5 - (Cruising)
                                    (Non-IRC)
   Class 6 - (Classic)
                                    (Non-IRC)
   Class 7 - (Multihulls)
                                    (OMR)
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- 3.3 Boats entering **Class 1, 2, 3 or 4** must have a current valid IRC certificate.
- 3.4 **Non-IRC classes** will be allocated a handicap rating by the Race Committee, after inspection. Boats are required to complete (online) and deliver a Rating Form before last day of registration. An allocated rating may be adjusted by the Race Committee after a race. An increase in a rating shall be applied retrospectively to the preceding race, but a decrease shall be applied only to subsequent races.
- 3.5 For boats racing under IRC, no changes to a boat's TCR will be permitted after **15th November 2023**, except as a result of a measurement correction by the Official Measurer,
  a rating protest, to correct a Rating Office error, or, in the case of substantial damage being
  caused to the boat, which would significantly affect her performance.
- 3.6. To help with the safety and integrity of the event, and in compliance with the statements from World Sailing to be found at: https://www.sailing.org/2023/03/01/world-sailing-statement-6/

https://www.sailing.org/2023/05/25/world-sailing-statement-24-may-2022/

https://www.sailing.org/2022/08/23/world-sailing-statement-23-august-2022/ Boats and competitors shall not display any sail letters, symbols, flags or slogan

representing Russia or Belarus on any boat, place, banner nor clothing associated with the event. The penalty for a breach of this rule will be exclusion from further participation in the event and the removal of the boat from the results. \*\*\* Pending Updates from WS

#### 4. **REGISTRATION**

- 4.1 All registration of boats and ALL crew details should be completed in advance, online, as there will be limited access secretariat facilities. Available at: <a href="Online Registration">Online Registration</a>
- 4.2 The following items are required to be presented for during registration no later than 1700 on the day prior to the Warning Signal of the first race.
- 4.2.1 Skipper's Declaration, Crew List, and declaration absolving the RMSIR organisers of liability in the event of loss of property, damage, illness, injury etc.
- 4.2.2 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with minimum cover of US\$ 1 million per incident or equivalent. The race committee may, at its absolute discretion, consider a change in this minimum cover for boat owners who are restricted by insurance conditions applicable in their country of residence.
- 4.2.3 RMSIR Safety Check List. (available online)
- 4.2.4 Payment of full entry fees for boat and crew, plus tracker deposit authorisation form.
- 4.2.5 2 Malaysian cell phone numbers for each boat. (for RC to send information).

## 5. ENTRY FEES

5.1 The following entry fees shall be paid and received by RSYC by 16:00 on the day before the first race of the regatta. Boat Entry Fee includes the Skipper's Fee.

Boat Entry Fee: RM 1,900
 Boat Entry Fee for Penang start (Class 7): RM 1,700
 Individual Crew Member Entry Fee: RM 800
 Individual Crew Member Entry Fee for Penang start: RM 650

## All fees are <u>INCLUSIVE</u> of 6% Tax. - Online Registration calculates and displays your fees automatically.

- 5.2 Fees cover the cost of moorings, race organisation, all official social events and the issue of complimentary Regatta souvenirs.
- 5.3 Non-sailing socialites may enjoy the social events upon payment of either the full Individual Crew Fee (for all events) or purchase individual social tickets at each venue. Entry to all events will be strictly controlled so tickets/passes are essential.

#### 6. SCHEDULE AND COURSES

6.1 Final details of events, races and courses will be given in the Sailing Instructions, Skippers' Pack, and available online.

#### PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday	16/11/2023	Registration and Measuring Registration and Payment can also be done online prior to this date
Friday	17/11/2023	Registration and Measuring – ends 16:00 Skippers Briefing = 17:00 Opening Dinner = 19:00
Saturday	18/11/2023	Race 1 - Klang - Pangkor – see SI for details
Sunday	19/11/2023	Race 1 finish – Mooring @ Pangkor  Prize giving dinner (Race1) @ Pangkor = 19:00 approx
Monday	20/11/2023	Race 2 - Pangkor to Penang – see SI for details
Tuesday	21/11/2023	Race 2 finish – Mooring @ Penang  Rickshaw Racing @ Penang = 17:30
Wednesday	22/11/2023	Inshore Races @ Penang – see SI for details Prize giving dinner (Race 2 & Penang Series) @ Penang = 19:00
Thursday	23/11/2023	Race 5 -Penang to Langkawi – see SI for details – berthing @ RLYC
Friday	24/11/2023	Inshore Races in Langkawi – see SI for details Informal prize giving (Race 5) @ Charlie's Bar
Saturday	25/11/2023	Inshore Races in Langkawi – see SI for details Prize giving dinner (Langkawi Series & Overalls) @ RLYC = 19:00

This schedule is subject to change at any time and **any updates will be posted on the regatta website** and shall not require an amended NOR to be issued

## 7. MEASUREMENT AND SAFETY INSPECTIONS

- 7.1 Any boat may be subject to measurement inspections by the Technical Committee at any time during the Regatta.
- 7.2 It is hoped that a Measurer will be present during the week prior to the event, but ONLY to check sails already specified in the boat's current IRC. All charges and fees incurred by boats in obtaining or modifying Rating Certificates shall be borne by the boat owner. New certification may not be available after 16<sup>th</sup> November.
- 7.3 A protest by a boat involving another boat's Certificate shall be lodged before the end of protest time limit of Race 1.

- 7.4 All participating boats will be subject to safety inspections by the Technical Committee before the first race and at any time during the Regatta. The Race Committee's decisions on matters of safety shall be final.
- 7.5 Safety Check lists and terms & conditions may be downloaded, completed and submitted, via the Regatta web site

#### 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available online in early November 2023 and in the skippers pack at Registration. Please note that as much will be delivered and submitted online where possible.

## 9. PROTEST COMMITTEE

#### 9.1. **APPENDIX T (Arbitration)**

Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply except that,

- a) RRS Appendix T1 and T2 are amended so that arbitration may be applied for breaches of other rules..
- b) RRS T1(b) is changed to: The post-race penalty for each infringement shall be determined by the arbitrator, however rule 44.1(a) applies.

#### 9.2. **PROTEST HEARINGS**

RRS 63 is modified to permit hearings to be held at any location and by any method of communication considered appropriate by the protest committee before, during and after the race.

#### 10. SCORING

- 10.1 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. No score shall be discarded.
- 10.2 To constitute completion of a RMSIR class series, a boat is required to have competed in a minimum of three (3) races in that class, which shall include a coastal passage race and a harbour race. This changes A2.2

#### 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Unless otherwise prescribed in the Sailing Instructions, The Protest Committee may apply any penalty, including no penalty, for a breach of a rule. This changes RRS 64.2
- 11.2 For all classes Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 11.3 When the right-of-way rules of RRS Appendix RV apply (between the hours of local sunset and sunrise) a scoring penalty applies. A scoring penalty shall be declared on the boats Declaration Form and the Race Committee notified at the finish. This adds to RRS 44.3.
- 11.4 All protests shall be submitted and conducted in the English Language.

#### 12. COMMUNICATIONS

- 12.1 All boats shall carry at least one working VHF radio, capable of transmitting and receiving all current International VHF channels. A DSC equipped radio is preferable.
- 12.1 In addition to working VHF radio, all boats shall provide at registration a minimum of 2 Malaysian mobile phones for emergency contact and shall be active during all racing.
- 12.3 Skippers/Owners/PIC will be required to join a restricted WhatsApp/Telegram "Skipper Only Group" to send and receive communications during the event. Details will be in SI.
- 12.4 Tracking devices will be affixed to boats at the organiser's discretion. The units are standalone and will be available at registration. Once issued to the boat, the Tracker becomes the responsibility of the Person in Charge and loss of, or failure to return, the tracker, by 18:00 Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023, will be charged at cost. PIC will be required to provide (but not charged) Credit Card details, or a cash deposit, for this sole purpose.

#### 13. RACE AREA

Will be offshore, coastal & inshore waters between Port Klang & Langkawi Island, Malaysia

For information only, the following charts are relevant: [NP]

Admiralty Chart No.: 792, 1366, 2152, 3732, 3943, 3944, 3945, 3485.

Competitors are advised to check these chart numbers before purchasing charts. See Safety Form regarding sole use of electronic charts.

#### 14. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for Class overall series. Additional prizes may be awarded by Regatta sponsors for individual race winners and other achievements. Any prizes will be based upon participation and are subject to change. [NP]

# 15. BERTHING

The Regatta Office will be at Royal Selangor Yacht Club. There will be berthing available for



participating yachts who book in advance at RSYC before 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023. Other competing boats may be invited to anchor, with water taxi services and security patrols provided. Pontoon berths will be made available by the respective marinas at Port Klang, Pangkor, Penang and Langkawi on a first come, first served basis, subject to space available and boat dimensions. The Entry Fee includes free mooring at RSYC Port Klang for one week prior to the regatta 1st race start and at other locations until the day following the last race, inclusive. Thereafter, boats are responsible for arranging their own berths.

#### 16. HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The RMSIR Organisers have negotiated favourable rates with a selection of reliable hotels at the 4 ports of call. Participants will find contact details on the RMSIR website and at RSYC Regatta Office. RMSIR staff will not undertake reservations on behalf of participating crews, nor associated transport.

#### 17. CHARTERS & CREWS

Participants seeking boats to charter or berths in boats may register their requirements on the Regatta web site page. Owners offering their boats for charter or requiring additional crew may likewise post their requirements. The Organising Authority will assist participants to join up.

#### 18. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or illness or death sustained or any consequential loss in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

# **NOTES:**

You are encouraged to register your entry as soon as possible via the <u>ONLINE</u>

SYSTEM as this enables the organisers to better plan the racing and social events.

Even if you have yet to confirm your crew, rating, etc., you update any data any time online right up to 36 hours before the 1<sup>st</sup> race start.

The specific WhatsApp (or Telegram) Group for Skippers Only will be published in the Sailing Instructions, for race communication use only during the regatta. Skippers (or a designated crew member) for each boat shall be required to join this group to send & receive such race information, including declarations. Therefore, please ensure at least one of your crew uses WhatsApp (or Telegram) with a Malaysian phone.

For further information please contact:

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# **IRC:**

Boat requiring to renew their IRC certificate should apply online:

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