



MUSSANAH RACE WEEK

18th – 24th October 2023

Mussanah, Oman

Notice of Race

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Oman Sail (*the Organising Authority*) in co-operation with Oman Maritime Sports Comity are pleased to invite the sailors to take part in

Mussanah Race Week
to be held at Barcelo Resort, Mussanah, Oman
from 18th - 24th October 2023

[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the International Jury and may be 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 Protestee' 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 Organising Authority.

3. Eligibility, entry and equipment

- 3.1** The regatta is open to boats and to competitors in Optimist, ILCA4, ILCA6, ILCA7, 29er, IQ Foil, Techno & Parasailing RS Venture who comply with WORLD SAILING Regulation 19 – Eligibility.
- 3.2** The age categories are as follows:
- Optimist – Born in 2008 or later
 - ILCA 4 – Born in 2006 or later
 - ILCA 6 – Open
 - ILCA 7 – Open
 - 29er – Open
 - IQ Foil – Open
 - Techno 293 - Open
 - RS Venture - Open
- 3.3** Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form in the web page of the regatta: <https://www.omansail.com/events-mussanah-race-week-2023>, not later than 9th February **2023**.
- 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 13th February **2023**.
- 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 have 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** 29er & RS Venture boat will be provided as a full boat including sails.
- 3.11** For the Techno & IQ-Foil sailors they shall bring their complete boards including all sails and equipment's.

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**.
- 5.2** Late competitor entries accepted at registration may incur late entry fee of **200 USD**.
- 5.3** Entry fees registration shall be paid on the registration platform.
- 5.4** Entry fees paid by bank transfer to:

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| 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

Please include "2023AC" in your payment advice and e-mail confirmation of payment to:
MRW@OMANSAIL.COM

6. Entry

Entries shall be made by submitting the relevant registration forms, available on the event website <https://www.omansail.com/events-mussanah-race-week-2023>

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 with as nearly as possible equal size.
- 7.3** The initial allocation to fleets will be done by the Race Committee on 11th February **2023**.
- 7.4** OPTIMIST TEAM RACING CHAMPIONSHIP (TRC) will be held for teams from members represented by at least 5 teams, each team shall comprise of 4 or 5 competitors of which 4 may sail in each race. Composition of teams is at the discretion of the member. The format for the TRC will be described in the **Team Racing Sailing Instructions**

8. Schedule

8.1 Schedule of races:

| Date | Remarks | Time |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 18 October 2023 | Official Arrival Day Registration and equipment inspections Practice day | 09:00 - 12:00 13:00 |
| 19 October 2023 | Registration and equipment inspections Practice day | 09:00-12:00 13:00 |
| 20 October 2023 | COMPETITORS' BRIFING Practice day Arabic Night | 09:30 12:00 18:30-21:00 |
| 21 October 2023 | COMPETITORS' BRIFING First warning signal Optimist Team Racing Fleet Racing for: <u>Fleet racing for the rest of the classes.</u> | 09:30 12:00 |
| 22 October 2023 | COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races | 09:30 12:00 |
| 23 October 2023 | COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races | 09:30 12:00 |
| 24 October 2023 | COMPETITORS' BRIFING Races | 09:30 |

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| | Closing Ceremony | 11:30 16:30 |
| 25 October 2023 | 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 organised.

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:

Barcelo Resort

Address: Wudam Al Sahil, Mussanah, Sultanate of Oman

Tel: (+968) 2687 1592

Mob. (+968) 9541 0872

E-mail: Mussanahresort.res@barcelo.com

Event web site: <https://www.omansail.com/events-mussanah-race-week-2023>

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. **The course for the team racing will be a starboard "S" 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 organising authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and event support boat regulations. The organising authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
16.2 Registered coach and support boats shall:
a) 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 Organising Authority.
16.3 Registered coach 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 Organising Authority.
16.4 All coach 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: U\$D 500 (7 days).
- ILCA Boats: U\$D 750 (7 days).
- RS Vanture (Para Sailing Boat) U\$D 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 **U\$D 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 **U\$D 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 in 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 **U\$D 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

29er:

- Overall top 3

IQ Foil

- Overall top 3

Techno

- 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 1st place)

20. Disclaimer of liability and Risk Statement

20.1 Competitors and support team 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 organiser 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 Organising Authority and all parties involved in the regatta organisation 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.



GENERAL INFORMATION (not part of the NoR)

Organizing Authority:

OMAN SAIL LLC

Tel: +968 24274200

E-mail: MRW@OMANSAIL.COM

Web: MUSSANAHRACEWEEK.COM + OMANSAIL.COM

Coordinates: 23°48'15"N 57°34'12"E

Accommodation:

1. Accommodation

Accommodation bookings and rates will be provided by Oman Sail. For special discounted event rates please quote "MRW23".

Bookings can be made **direct** via: Mussanahresort.res@barcelo.com

URL : https://booking.barcelo.com/?adult=2&arrive=2023-02-13&chain=24876&child=0&config=NET¤cy=OMR¤cy_def=OMR&depart=2023-02-14&filter=ROW&hotel=35872&level=hotel&locale=en-GB&market=ROW&promo=MRW23&rooms=1&segment=BED%20AND%20BREAKFAST&store=en-ww&theme=initialTheme&usc=WW&usercurrency=OMR

2. BOOKINGS AND PAYMENTS

Bookings and payments can be made through the resort website.

Mussanahresort.res@barcelo.com

Travel:

By car

Enter the coordinates of Barcelo Resort in your GPS: 23°48'15"N 57°34'12"E

For route planning go to: www.viamichelin.com

By plane

We will be able to offer you special travel package offers by Oman Air.

By bus

A shuttle service will be provided for teams from Barcelo resort (To be booked directly through the hotel)

Weather and current:

Information about weather can be found on the following websites:

www.windy.com

www.accuweather.com

www.windfinder.com