

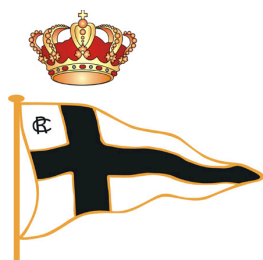


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NOTICE OF RACE

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VOLVO OCEAN RACE, S.L.U.**

**In conjunction with:
Real Club de Regatas de Alicante &
The International Sailing Federation (ISAF)**



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1. RACE DEFINITIONS

- 1.1** The definitions are contained in the Volvo Ocean Race Dictionary and apply to all Documents and Agreements in the Volvo Ocean Race 2017-18. Where a definition is not mentioned in the Dictionary the definitions within the applicable document shall be used. The Dictionary is posted on the [Noticeboard](#).

2. THE DOCUMENTS AND RULES

- 2.1** The Volvo Ocean Race 2017-18 will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS.
- 2.2** *The Organising Authority is applying to ISAF for this permission.* RRS 86.2: ISAF have granted permission to the Organising Authority (OA) to delete; RRS 88.1 and 88.2 and replaced with; the prescriptions of national authorities will not apply. Also amendments to the ISAF Regulations, in accordance with RRS 86.2 the letter will be posted on the [Noticeboard](#).
- 2.3** Applicable documents:
- (a) The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS)
 - (b) The Equipment Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (ERS)
 - (c) The Notice of Race (NOR)
 - (d) The Sailing Instructions and their addendums (SI)
 - (e) The Volvo Ocean 65 Class Rule
 - (f) The Volvo Ocean 65 Class Specification
 - (g) The Volvo Ocean Race Competition License (License)
 - (h) The Deed of Undertaking
 - (i) The Commercial Participation Protocol (CPP)

- 2.4** The following RRS will be changed the changes will appear in full in the SI's: 32, 32.2, 41, 47.2, 50.3, 51, 52, 55, 60.2, 61.1 (a), 64.1, 76.1, 78.1, 78.3, Appendix A 2, 7, 8.1 & 9, Appendix N 2.2, Addendum Q. The changes will appear in the SI's. The SI's may also change other rules, including other rules of the RRS.

- 2.5** If there is a conflict between languages the English text shall take precedence.

3. ENTRY AND FEES

- 3.1** Only Boats whose owner or Person In Charge (PIC) has a valid License can enter the Race. Requirements for a Licence to Compete are in Clause 4 Schedule 3 of CPP.

4. RACE SCHEDULE

- 4.1** All dates and timings will be contained in the [Calendar](#).
- 4.2** The Race will start in Q4 2017 in Alicante Spain and finish in Q2 2018 in Northern Europe.

4.3 The course will start in Alicante and be eastbound with a number of Legs and will leave Cape of Good Hope and Cape Horn to port.

4.4 A stopover will usually comprise of a practice race, 4 x Pro-Am Races, 1 x In-Port Race and a Leg start all held in the last 4 days of the stopover.

5. BOATS, SAILS, APPENDAGES, TRAINING AND TESTING

5.1 Boats, Race Sails, Rigs, Appendages and equipment shall only be used as supplied and in accordance with the VO65 Class Rules, Notice Of Race (NOR) the Sailing Instruction's (SI's) and any other documentation supplied with the Boat. Any repairs or alterations carried out prior to the Assembly Date for the Race 2017-18 to the Boats, Race Sails, Rigs, Appendages and equipment shall be undertaken by or under the guidance of the BY-

5.2 Only the sails and sail bags manufactured for or allocated to the Participant under the Volvo Ocean 65 Sail Supplier Agreement shall be hoisted or used on the Boat at any time after the Assembly Date.

6. TESTING, TRAINING

6.1 Participants shall not engage in testing involving 2 or more Boats from the time before the Assembly Date.

Boats shall be considered to be testing if at any time they:

(a) Exchange or compare performance information or data.

(b) Are sailing in a similar direction within a range of 2 nautical miles of another Boat.

6.2 All Participants including through the assistance of third parties, shall not share or exchange performance information or data gathered by the Participant about their Boat unless this information is shared to all Participants without cost to the other Participants. This restriction shall not apply to performance information or data which may be gleaned either visually, using equipment supplied with the Boat or equipment that is permitted to be on-board without assistance from other persons or entities in formal or informal competition as permitted in NOR 6.7 (a) and (c) or otherwise as permitted in the Rules.

6.3 Performance data is any information or data given verbally or in hard or soft copy that may assist another Participant in changing or improving the performance of their Boat. Following is a non exhaustive list of what may be considered performance information or data:

(a) Rig loads

(b) Sail combinations and crossovers

(c) Polars

(d) Ballasting

(e) Stacking

(f) Daggerboard settings

6.4 NOR 6.2 does not prevent a supplier disclosing improved methods or technology developed by the supplier provided the information is disclosed to all Participants at

the same time.

- 6.5** Any data gained while testing and training that may identify a possible safety or reliability concern shall be shared immediately with the Boat Yard (BY).
- 6.6** Position monitoring equipment will be installed by the OA and shall remain on board the Boat. Once installed it shall remain powered on and shall not be modified or removed except by or with the prior written approval of the OA. The OA may use the information received from the position monitoring equipment to verify compliance with the Rules or for developing and testing tracking or other OA software. A Participant wanting to turn their position monitoring equipment off must apply in writing to the OA; the answer will be posted on the [Noticeboard](#).
- 6.7** The following will not be considered infringing NOR 6.1 (b) when;
- (a) Participating in races, which have been approved by the OA, the OA may impose special conditions on those Participants that compete, these are:
 - (i) Fastnet Race August 2017
 - (b) A Participant has received written permission at least 14 days in advance of any race, sponsor/publicity or other event in which more than one Boat or Boats may take part; any permission may contain special conditions and will be posted on the [Noticeboard](#).
 - (c) Taking part in organised training sessions where multiple Participants can and will participate any such training sessions must be approved in advance by the OA, the approval will be posted on the [Noticeboard](#).
- 6.8** When Boats are in breach of NOR 6 they will be protested by the RC.

7. CREW MEMBER CERTIFICATION.

- 7.1** The Person in Charge and the Reserve Persons in Charge shall as a minimum have a valid RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Ocean or equivalent qualification that is approved by the Race Committee.
- 7.2** The Crew Member designated, as the navigator shall as a minimum hold an RYA Yachtmaster Ocean or equivalent qualification that is approved by the Race Committee. This person may be one of the 3 mentioned in NOR 7.1.
- 7.3** All other Crew Members shall as a minimum have a valid RYA/MCA Yachtmaster Coastal Skipper or equivalent qualification that is approved by the Race committee.
- 7.4** A minimum of 2 Crew Members shall:
- (a) **Medical:** Act as the medics for the Boat and undertake a medical course which fulfils the following criteria:
 - (i) Be run by an organisation approved in advance by the OA.
 - (ii) Be covered in no less than 3 days and the content should prepare the Crew Members for their role as medics.
 - (iii) Following the successful completion of the course, each medic shall be issued with a certificate by the training organisation that ran the course, confirming that the Crew Member has completed the course to the necessary standard.

Following the medical course the medics shall be able to demonstrate the following skills: They are able to competently manage an air-way, apply simple strapping and plaster casts, undertake skin suturing, insert intravenous cannula and give intravenous fluids, give both intra-muscular and intravenous injections, and apply a temporary dental filling. They shall also provide the documentation showing that they have been assessed since 1st November 2013 in these skills by a recognised medical practitioner and have proven to be of an acceptable standard.

In addition to the above: medics will be required to attend a medical refresher course during the Assembly Period during which demonstration of these skills may also be requested by the

OA. Questions relating to the medical requirements should be directed to:
medical.team@volvooceanrace.com

- 7.5 At least 2 Crew Members shall hold a valid General Operator's Certificate GOC/GMDSS for the duration of the race and shall be on-board while Racing on a Leg. Similar to: <http://www.nwkcollege.ac.uk/nstc/courses/gmdss/GOC>
- 7.6 All Crew Members shall have undergone a medical and dental examination no more than 6 months before the start of the Race. Medical and Dental certificates, available from the OA, shall be completed and signed by the examining doctor or dentist.
- 7.7 All Crew Members shall have a nationally recognised first aid certificate, acceptable to the OA, which shall be valid until the 31st July 2018. The certification shall include cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. As a guide to a minimum level of qualification; <http://www.rya.org.uk/coursestraining/courses/specialist/Pages/Firstaid.aspx>.

8. QUALIFICATIONS TO RACE.

- 8.1 Prior to the Assembly Date, each Boat entered in the Race must complete an open ocean qualification race, races or passage of approximately 2000 nautical miles as required by the OA. Crews for qualification races shall be at least 60% (rounded up) of the Crew Members for Leg 1 The 60% shall contain at least the Person in Charge, a Reserve Person in Charge and the navigator. The proposed route and the crew must be approved in advance by the OA.
- 8.2 These qualification races may contain the following: a dock-out ceremony and arrivals ceremony, fitting and sailing with the emergency steering the rescue kite, complete a man overboard recovery, and other tasks as may be specified by the RC, these shall be recorded on video and other forms of media and transmitted back to race control. Testing of all communications equipment
- 8.3 Should a Boat entered in the Race be unable to complete either of the qualification races or passages in NOR 8.1 or 8.2 or any of their requirements she shall complete a race or passage or fulfil the requirements as directed by the OA before she starts in the Race.
- 8.4 The Participant shall supply a crew list to the OA for the qualification race(s) or passage(s) in NOR 8.1 and 8.2 at least 48 hours before they start each event.

9. CREW MEMBERS ONBOARD WHILE RACING

- 9.1 No person shall be on-board a Boat while racing without the approval of the RC.
- 9.2 This approval can be withheld for any reason.
- 9.3 The PIC and a Reserve PIC shall be on-board for all practice, Pro-Am, In-Port races and Legs.

- 9.4** For all In-Port races and Legs the minimum number of Crew Members on-board while Racing shall be 6.
- 9.5** For all In-Port races and Legs a Boat shall have on board at least 2 Crew Members who shall be born on or after 1st September 1987.
- 9.6** During an In-Port race or a Leg the maximum total number of Crew Members on-board shall be made up as follows:
- (a) Option 1: All male or 7 male and 1 female the maximum total shall be 8.
 - (b) Option 2: 2-4 females and the balance males the maximum total shall be 9.
 - (c) Option 3: 5 or more females and the balance males the maximum total shall be 10
 - (d) Option 4: All female the maximum total shall be 11.
- 9.7** During an In-Port race: All of the Crew Members shall have sailed the previous Leg or will sail the next Leg of the Race. This restriction does not apply in Alicante. In the last In Port Race of the Race any substitution shall only be considered for medical reasons, the assessment shall be made by the race doctor.
- 9.8** During a Pro-Am Race the number of Crew Members on-board shall be a minimum 5 and a maximum of 6.
- 9.9** During a Leg: at least 50% (rounded up) of the Crew Members who start each Leg of the Race shall have participated in the approved qualification race or passage or a Leg of a Volvo Ocean Race since 2010 or at the discretion of the OA other events in similar boats.
- 9.10** A Crew Member may leave the Boat during a Leg, having left they shall not return or be replaced during that Leg. The departure of the Crew Member shall be immediately reported to race control. This changes RRS 47.2

While Racing: in the event the OBR is unable to perform their duties a Crew Member shall take over the duties under the guidance of the OBR manager until either the OBR is able to resume their duties or the Boat finishes. The substitute OBR is not required to carry out the environmental duties and is not restricted by NOR 10.1, however all circumstances surrounding the substitution shall be immediately communicated to race control and recorded in the relevant Crew Member's post Race declaration.

10. ON-BOARD REPORTER

- 10.1** From the signing of the CPP until the Participants Boat has completed her refit the "OBR" may be of an equivalent skill level to an OBR, need to be approved in advance by the OA. From the completion of the refit until the end of the Race this person shall be an OBR who has signed the OBR agreement. All OBR generated material shall be made available to the OA.
- 10.2** Prior to the Race the duties shall be but not limited to:
- (a) Producing media for the Participant and the OA as agreed.
 - (b) Complete various training courses organised by the OA.
 - (c) Be on-board whenever the Boat is sailing.

- 10.3 When a Participant enters the Race later than the completion of the refit or has purchased a new Boat the date for the OBR appointment shall be when the Participant signs the CPP.
- 10.4 The Participant shall have 2 OBR's for the duration of the Race. One OBR shall be on the Boat the other shall be providing shore side content for the Participant and the OA as agreed between them.
- 10.5 An OBR is not a Crew Member. Their role is to provide media out-put as required by the OA communications team. When that task is complete they can assist in limited non-performance tasks on-board. A list of the OBR's permitted and prohibited tasks can be found in SI Appendix 2
- 10.6 An OBR must be on-board for all practice races, Pro Am's, In Port races and Legs.
- 10.7 The OA will work with the Participant to identify and train a suitable OBR or OBR's. All OBR's need to be approved by the OA prior to signing the OBR agreement.

11. GUESTS ON BOARD

- 11.1 The Participant shall ensure Guests use life jackets and wet weather clothing that conforms to that worn by the Participants Crew Members (with the exception of names on the shoulders) and shall provide all other necessary safety equipment to all guests and ensure guests use the same.
- 11.2 The maximum number of people on-board the Boat during a practice, Pro-Am, In-Port Race or Leg start including the OBR, Crew Members and Guests shall be 15.

Practice races

- 11.3 Unless otherwise instructed by the OA four (4) media guests shall be on board during a practice race. The OA shall nominate two of the guests and the Participant shall nominate two of the guests.
- 11.4 During practice races guests shall comply with RRS 49.
- 11.5 During a practice race guests shall remain aft of the helm. The PIC may allow a guest to helm.

Pro-Am races

- 11.6 During Pro-Am races, guests may take part in the sailing of the Boat.
- 11.7 During Pro-Am races guests shall comply with RRS 49.
- 11.8 Unless otherwise instructed by the OA, a maximum of 10 guests may be on board during the Pro-Am races. The OA shall nominate 3 of the guests.

In-Port races

- 11.9 Unless otherwise instructed by the OA three (3) guests shall be on board during an In-Port race.
 - (a) The OA shall nominate one of the guests.
 - (b) The Participant shall nominate one of the guests.
 - (c) The third guest will be a VIP or someone anticipated to bring significant extra

media coverage. The guest shall be agreed with the OA, the allocation of the 3rd guest place shall be at a ratio of 60% Participant to 40% OA. The Stopovers where a Participant and the OA have their extra allocation shall be agreed between them prior to the Assembly Date.

- 11.10 During In-Port races, guests shall not take part in the sailing of the Boat, nor act to improve its performance in any way except that guests may helm the Boat on the last leg of the In-Port Race.
- 11.11 During In-Port races guests shall comply with RRS 49.
- 11.12 During an In-Port race guests shall remain aft of the helm.
- 11.13 The PIC may allow a guest to helm while on the last leg of the race.

Legs

- 11.14 During a Leg, up to 3 guests nominated by the PIC and with the written permission of the RC may be on board. The PIC shall submit the request to the RC in writing by 1800hrs on the day before the Leg start giving the guest's name(s) and the anticipated location on the course where the guest(s) will be collected and the method of collection.
- 11.15 One guest nominated by the OA may be on-board for a predetermined period of no more than 3 hours after the start of a Leg.
- 11.16 During a Leg, when guests are not below decks they shall remain aft of the mast and comply with RRS 49.

12. BRIEFINGS AND CREW TRAINING

- 12.1 All Crew Members and OBRs need to be approved by the OA.

On the dates and at the times listed in the [Calendar](#) all Crew Members and OBRs shall:

- (a) Attend the 3 day safety course organised by OA at an advanced training facility which shall include basic life support training, a maximum 2 teams of 16 can attend each session, positions will be allocated to official entrants on a first come first-served basis, the session dates will be in the [Calendar](#).
 - (b) In the event that there is an uneven number of Boats entered in the Race a Participant may apply to the OA for extra positions in the session where only one team is participating.
- 12.2 In addition all Boats must be able to demonstrate at any time from the Assembly Date until the finish of the Race, emergency drills including MOB recovery in different weather conditions, the operation of safety equipment and the operation of all communications equipment on board, including the making of distress calls, if possible these requirements will be tested prior to or during the sailing of the qualifying races.
 - 12.3 All Crew Members, OBRs and the Participants senior management shall:
 - (a) Together with senior team management, attend a 2-hour session of media strategy explanation to be held in Alicante during the Assembly Period.
 - 12.4 As a minimum 2 Crew Members referred to in NOR 6.1.10 (a) shall attend a 2 day medical briefing to be held during the Assembly Period. They or their replacements

may further be required to attend a refresher course to be conducted at a Port during the Race.

- 12.5** The PIC and navigators shall attend a half day briefing covering emergency procedures with members of the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre during the Assembly Period immediately following the Alicante In-Port race briefing.
- 12.6** 2 Crew Members from each Boat shall attend a 1 – day Volvo Penta training day to be held in Alicante during the Assembly Period.
- 12.7** As a minimum of 2 Crew Members shall attend a Mastervolt/SilentWind course to be held in Alicante during the Assembly Period.
- 12.8** The PIC, navigator, technical shore manager, team manager and the teams communications manager, shall attend a briefing on the VOR crisis management plan in the VOR offices during the Assembly Period.
- 12.9** Crew Members and OBRs who fail to attend scheduled briefings or training days or who join a Boat after these briefings or training days shall prior to racing be required to attend similar briefings at a time and to a standard to be determined by the OA. The costs associated with attending the briefing or training shall be borne by the Participant. As the OA will not approve any crew who have not met the training or certification requirements it is strongly recommended that planned substitute Crew Members or OBRs attend the original briefings or training sessions.

13. DOCUMENTS AND DECLARATIONS REQUIRED TO RACE

Within 30 days of becoming an official entry or within 30 days after the CPP is issued or at a later date as may be agreed with the OA: each Participant or its representative shall sign the CPP.

- 13.1** On the dates and at the times listed in the [Calendar](#) each Participant shall have arranged with the OA and had signed the following documents. All documents must be supplied and signed before a Boat competes in any part of the Race:
 - (a) A PIC signed in front of a member of the OA or their representative by the PIC.
 - (b) A Reserve PIC signed in front of a member of the OA or their representative by the Reserve PIC.
 - (c) A completed Boat Information Form.
 - (d) A declaration signed by the Participant stating compliance with clause 9 (Insurance) of the Commercial Participation Protocol.
 - (e) The Crew Member Agreements to be signed by each Crew Member including the OBR, in the presence of a member of the RC or their representative.
 - (f) The OBR approval letter from the OA.
 - (g) The completed Crew Medical Certificates, (NOR 7.6).
 - (h) The completed Crew Personal Details forms for each Crew Member and OBR.
 - (i) A copy of the Person in Charge and Reserve Persons in Charge qualifications (NOR 7.1, 7.2).
 - (j) A copy of the navigators qualifications (NOR 7.2).

- (k) A copy of the Crew Members qualifications (NOR 7.3).
- (l) A copy of first aid and medical competency certificates (NOR 7.7) and for at least 2 Crew Members, (NOR 7.4).
- (m) A copy of the general radio operators licenses (NOR 7.5).
- (n) The satellite antenna safety instruction documents signed by each Crew Member and OBR.
- (o) A signed copy of the Anti Doping Rules declaration by each Crew Member.
- (p) Any amendments or additions to the forms, declarations or certificates already held by the OA.

14. MODIFICATIONS, MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND MEASUREMENT

- 14.1** Class Rule C6 applies.
- 14.2** A Boat shall have a valid VO65 Class Certificate before she starts any part of the Race.
- 14.3** All Boats shall be available for measurement and inspection by the VCA, RC or an equipment inspector at any time.
- 14.4** When the Participant requests measurement before the Assembly Date: The Participant shall be liable for any measurement costs incurred. The Participant shall also be liable for any measurement costs as a result of replacements, additions, modifications, and repairs during the Race not undertaken in the Port or as the result of a protest.

15. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 15.1** The General SI's will be available Q1 2016. When available they shall be posted on the [Noticeboard](#).

16. THE RACE

- 16.1** The Volvo Ocean Race 2017 – 2018 will consist of X ocean Legs, a maximum of XX In-Port races and approximately XX Pro-Am races.
- 16.2** There will generally be Pro-Am races in each Stopover.
- 16.3** There is an In-Port race scheduled in each Stopover, the dates and times shall be contained in the Calendar.

17. LEGS

- 17.1** Leg 1: Alicante to XXXX an approximate distance of XXXX nm (more Legs added when confirmed).
- 17.2** The total distance for the Legs is approximately XXXX nm.
- 17.3** Stopovers will be designated as Stopovers, Non-haulout, Non Rig Out and Pitstops, the designation will be in the Stopover schedule.

18. ASSEMBLY

- 18.1** In Alicante: Boats shall be in the Assembly Area the date and at the times listed in the [Calendar](#).
- 18.2** Berthing and base positions will be determined by the OA. Any permission for a Boat to leave the Assembly Area will be at the discretion of the RC.
- 18.3** In all other Ports, Boats shall be in the Assembly Area unless the RC has given written permission to leave.
- 18.4** Following the maintenance period permission will not be granted for a Boat to leave the Assembly Area until 3 hours after the last Boat has been re-launched.
- 18.5** At a Non-Haulout stop or in exceptional circumstances the RC may issue a date and time when a Boat may leave the Assembly Area. At other times Boats may be absent from an Assembly Area during assembly periods with the prior written approval of the RC.
- 18.6** On the day of a Pro-Am or In Port race Boats must return directly to the Assembly Area after finishing or retiring from that race unless prior permission to do otherwise is granted by the RC.
- 18.7** After finishing a Leg, Boats shall proceed directly to the Assembly Area unless prior permission to do otherwise is granted by the RC.
- 18.8** The SI's may contain further requirements for Boats when departing on race days or docking after finishing.

19. THE COURSES

- 19.1** The courses for In-Port, Pro-Am Race will be in the SI's.
- 19.2** The course for each Leg will be contained in its SI addendum.

20. NON-HAUL-OUT, NON-RIG OUT STOPOVERS AND PITSTOPS

- 20.1** When a Leg finishes at a Non-Haul-out and or a Non Rig Out Stop a Participant shall not use any machinery, systems, devices or other methods of removing the Boat from the water or the water from around the Boat and shall not use a crane or other method to remove or step the rig or any other item.
- 20.2** The mast shall not be removed from the Boat.
- 20.3** A diver may be used for underwater maintenance and repairs.
- 20.4** Should a Participant request work that would contravene either NOR 18.1 or 18.2, 18.5 (a) or (b) they shall, prior to commencing the work. Apply to the RC for permission to carry out the work, the application shall contain information from the VCA, BY or supplier of the item that needs the work outlining the problem and the suggested method of repair or replacement. The RC may refer the matter to the IJ, which may result in a hearing and a point's penalty. The Boat shall be bound by the IJ's decision.
- 20.5** In addition during a Pit Stop the following restrictions apply:
- (a) Repairs, replacements or modifications to the Boat shall only be carried out by a Crew Member who is on the Boats crew list for the Leg and only using

equipment and spares carried on-board for that Leg.

- (b) All work carried out under NOR 18.5 (a) shall be carried out on-board the Boat.
- (c) Extra fuel, water, food, provisions or shore power shall not be taken on-board during the Pit Stop.
- (d) Crew Members may leave and return to the Boat during the Pit Stop.
- (e) Other than the clothing and personal items the Crew Member is wearing at the time or is required to have with them (watches, sunglasses, passport, sunglasses etc.) all other items including computers, gear bags etc. shall remain on-board during the Pit Stop.
- (f) Guests and media may go on-board for visits or interviews. While on-board they shall be accompanied at all times by a team member. The guests or media shall not bring bags on-board but may carry and use cameras and recording devices.

20.6 The Leg SI's or their addendums may contain further restrictions or permitted activities.

21. PENALTY SYSTEM

21.1 Refer: SI 1.13, 1.14 and RRS Addendum Q.

21.2 RRS 44.1 (b) is amended in that the penalty for causing injury, serious damage or gaining significant advantage by a breach shall be determined by the IJ.

21.3 RRS 44.2 is amended by adding: When on a Leg and Addendum Q no longer applies; a Boat may take a penalty in accordance with RRS 44.1 by taking a One-Turns Penalty or a Two Turns Penalty. She shall notify race control who shall communicate the penalty being taken to the fleet. A continuous video of the taking of the penalty; starting with a shot of the time and position of the boat when commencing the Turn(s), the Turn(s) and finishing with a shot of the time and position of the Boat the entire video clip shall then be transmitted to race control.

22. EVENT ADVERTISING

22.1 Event advertising is contained in the CPP and the Brand Book.

23. SCORING

23.1 RRS Appendix A shall apply as amended by SI 1.19, 1.20, 1.21 and 1.22.

23.2 XXX Legs are scheduled; each Boats score shall be her total for all Legs no score will be excluded. The boat with the lowest series score wins and others shall be ranked accordingly.

23.3 XXX In-Port races are scheduled; each Boats score shall be her total for all In-Port races no score will be excluded. The boat with the lowest series score wins and others shall be ranked accordingly.

23.4 When an In-Port race cannot be completed on its scheduled day the RC will use the in-port section of the leg start to determine In-Port placing's. The Boats placing when they pass through the final gate of that course will be used to calculate her In-Port race points.

24. PRIZES, TROPHIES AND PRIZEGIVINGS

- (a) The Volvo Ocean Race trophy shall be awarded to the Boat with the lowest total number of points scored after all Legs, second place is the next least and so on.
 - (b) Trophies and or prizes shall be awarded for each Leg to the Boat's placed first, second and third.
 - (c) The In-Port race trophy shall be awarded to the Boat with the lowest total number of points scored after all In-Port races, second place is the next least and so on.
 - (d) Trophies and or prizes shall be awarded for each In-Port race to the Boat's placed first, second and third.
- 24.1** For Pro-Am race days a prize or trophy shall be awarded to the Boat placed first, second and third in each race.
- 24.2** All Boats awarded first place in an In-Port race, Leg, is leading overall or that had the longest great circle distance achieved in 24 hours for that Leg, shall be presented with a flag. These flags shall be flown in a prominent position in the rig of the Boat while the mast is stepped.
- 24.3** Perpetual prizes or trophies shall also be given for:
- (a) For a Boat that sets (ratified by WSSRC) a new, crewed mono-hull 24-hour distance record.
 - (b) The Boat having the shortest elapsed time measured, by crossing for the first time the Longitude of the Cape of Good Hope (18 28 20E) on Leg 2 completing all intervening Legs to crossing for the first time the longitude of Cape Horn (67 16 20W) on Leg X shall be awarded the Roaring Forties Trophy.
 - (c) The Hans Horrevoets Rookie Trophy shall be awarded to the most outstanding Crew Member in the Race who complies with NOR 6.1.3 and has never participated in any Legs in any previous Races. An explanation of the rules can be found on the [Noticeboard](#).
- 24.4** Prizes may be given for:
- (a) For the most outstanding act of Seamanship and or Sportsmanship during the Race.
 - (b) Communication and media (OBR) for each Leg and overall.
 - (c) The Boat that at the end of the Race has the lowest number of In-Port race points the In-Port race series prize.
 - (d) The Boat that at the finish of each Leg has the longest great circle distance sailed in 24- hours for that Leg.
 - (e) The Boat that at the end of the Race had the longest Great Circle distance sailed in 24- hours during the Race: the IWC Schaffhausen prize.
- 24.5** Other trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

25. PRIZE GIVINGS, DINNERS AND OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS

- 25.1** Unless otherwise notified prize giving's awards nights and dinners will be held as follows. Dates and times shall be in the [Calendar](#).

- (a) Pro-Am race day: venue to be advised; immediately after the last Pro-Am race of each day and following the Boats docking after racing is completed for the day. The skipper and crew from the day are to attend the prize giving.
 - (b) In-Port race: main stage immediately after returning ashore all Crew Members and the OBR to attend.
 - (c) Each Legs Life at the Extreme Awards Dinner.
 - (d) Final Race public prize giving.
 - (e) Final Life at the Extreme Awards Dinner.
- 25.2** All PIC's, Crew Members and OBR s shall attend all prize giving's, awards nights, dinners and other official functions unless prior written approval for not attending is given by the OA.
- 25.3** When specific team members are required for functions they shall be contained in the [Calendar](#).

26. TEAM SUPPORT BOATS

- 26.1** Team support boats shall be clearly identified with their teams name and or branding on each side of the hull or pontoons and any console or cabin. There shall be a staff or pole at least 2.4m high to prominently display the Volvo Ocean Race allocated purple flag with the teams abbreviated name, which shall be displayed whenever the tender is away from its mooring.
- 26.2** Each Boat may only have one support boat in the racing area while any Boat is Racing.

27. OA' S LIABILITY, RESPONSIBILITY

- 27.1** The OA's responsibilities in relation to Participants, Crew Members, OBRs, Participant representatives and PIC are set out in the Rules as may be amended from time to time. The OA shall have no liability to any other individual involved in the Race or to any other individual involved in any manner in the Race for negligence and shall not be responsible for any loss, damage, or injury of whatsoever kind, howsoever arising, (other than for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the OA, misrepresentation, breach of duty or otherwise to the maximum extent permitted by Law.
- 27.2** The OA shall not be liable to any other party for any loss of profits, loss of revenue, or any incidental, indirect, consequential or special damages of any kind or nature arising under or relating to the NOR, whether such liability is asserted on the basis of contract, tort (including negligence or strict liability) or otherwise, save where the same is caused by the other party's wilful misconduct, or that of its employees, sub-contractors or agents.
- 27.3** Insofar as any of the other exclusions of liability set out in this NOR fail to exclude any liability the OA may have for injury, loss or damage suffered by any third party in respect of any activities undertaken by, or for the benefit of, any one Participant, such Participant shall indemnify the OA in respect of such liability and all costs and expenses attributable to such claim. Participants shall generally indemnify the OA for any loss or damage sustained by the OA as a result of Participants' breach of the Race Rules including without limitation those required by this NOR.

27.4 Participants and any others involved with the Race shall be deemed to have notice of these exclusions and indemnities and shall not make any claims or bring any proceedings of any nature in relation to or arising out of the Race against anyone involved in the organisation or management of the Race other than the OA and against the OA only in accordance with the Race Rules. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing the benefit of all exclusions and indemnities in the Race Rules shall apply not only to the OA but also to the individual members of the OA and RC and anyone else involved in the organisation or management of the Race from time to time and the term OA or Volvo Ocean Race, S.L.U. in the Race Rules shall be construed accordingly.

27.5 Acceptance of these exclusions of liability and provision of these indemnities shall be a condition of entering or participating in the Race and shall be effective as against Participants and any others involved with the Race. It is the responsibility of Participants entering the Race to ensure that the above provisions are brought to the attention of anyone involved with the Participant in connection with the Race including but not limited to team members and any others involved with the Race.

27.6 Force Majeure. The OA shall not be liable to any Participant and any others involved with the Race who have notice of the provisions of this NOR for any actual or construed, loss or damage, costs, expenses or other claims for compensation arising as a direct or indirect result of any cause beyond the reasonable control of the OA including (without limitation) any act of God, war, military operations, terrorism, riot, accident, breakdown of plant or machinery, failure or shortage of power supplies, abnormally inclement weather, fire, flood, hurricane, drought, explosion, lightning, strike, lock out, trade dispute or labour disturbance, the act or omission of, or refusal of any licence or permit by any Government, national or international sailing authority, highway authority, public telecommunications operator or administrative or other competent national or international authority, or difficulty, delay or failure in provision, manufacture, production or supply by third parties of any information, goods or services.

28. CODE OF CONDUCT

28.1 Participants, Persons in Charge, Reserve Persons in Charge, OBRs and Crew Members shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall not behave so as to bring the event into disrepute. A breach of this NOR 24 may be referred to the IJ by the OA the penalty may include exclusion from further participation in the event.

28.2 A Boat shall make a reasonable attempt to start, sail the course and finish all practice, Pro-Am and In-Port races. Failure to do so may result in a protest by the RC. Any penalty given will be a point's penalty applied to the nearest Leg.

29. INSURANCE

29.1 Each Boat shall be insured and remain insured in accordance with CPP Standard Legal Terms and Conditions 11.

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