

EFG Sailing Arabia -The Tour

From 02nd to 16th February 2019

NOTICE OF RACE Version: 12/10/2018

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Racing Rules of Sailing will be modified in a Sailing Instructions appendix in order to be as similar as possible to the rules used in World Diam Tour events (Tour de France à la Voile, Grand Prix Pacifique des Jeux)
- 1.3 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.4 A modified version of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for Race Category 5 Multihull, EPIRB and AIS individual beacons will apply.
- 1.5 The Diam24 Class rules will apply.
- 1.6 Prohibited and restricted areas (e.g. around gas & oil installations as well as military areas) shall be observed.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 ISAF regulation 20 will apply.
- 2.2 Each team will be required to carry event branding and sponsor advertising as outlined in 'Appendix 4 – Advertising'.

3. CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority. Information from this equipment shall not be used by a boat as evidence in a hearing. This changes rule 63.6.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all Diam24 complying with the Class Rules.

- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the form at the end of this document and sending it, together with a first instalment (see art 5. Fees), to Nico Honor, sales Manager, nico@omansail.com by 15th November 2018.
- 4.3 Late entries (until 1st December 2018) may be accepted subject to the availability of places.

5. FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is 22 000 €. This fee includes:
- * Entry fee for 3 sailors
 - * Crew accommodation & catering for 15 days
 - * Crew transport between venues and event hotels
 - * Crew luggage transport between event hotels up to 5 items
 - * The loan of one gennaker (mandatory)
 - * Use of tracking system
 - * Media package (video & digital photo portfolio)
 - * Event branding: hull stickers, jib stickers, gennaker branding
 - * Boat logistics & shipping
 - * Return shipping of the Diam24 & logistics equipment from France to Oman
 - * Safety equipment as per race requirements (not included navigation equipment)
 - * Logistics of trucking boats between race venues
 - * Repair of equipment within warranty failure
- 5.2 Entry Fee Deposit / Instalment #1 (Non-Returnable) 5 000 € shall be paid prior to 15th November 2018. All remaining fees and charges (including the € balance of the Entry Fee) shall be paid prior to 1st January 2019.

6. CHARTER BOATS

- 6.1 Oman Sail is providing a race boat or coach boat charter service and other *optional* packages for the event.
- For further information, see Appendix 3 – Charter Packages & Agreement.
- 6.2 A refundable bond of 1 500 € shall be received by the OA before 2nd February 2019 to cover any damage to the boat or loss of the equipment on board (see Appendix 2 inventory).

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Final registration, boat delivery, scrutineering, measurement will open at the official event marina in Muscat (tbc) on Saturday 2nd February 2019 at 08:00, and close on Sunday 3rd February 2019 at 11:00.
- 7.2 The event will start at a Muscat located marina (Sultanate of Oman) on Saturday 2nd February 2019, with the EFG Warm-up Race (non-scoring)
- 7.3 Schedule: refer to provisional schedule in Appendix 1.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at registration.

9. VENUE

Information about the venues and racing areas will be available in the sailing instructions and on the event website www.sailingarabiathetour.com from 1st December 2018.

10. THE COURSES

The racing will comprise of both inshore races and coastal raids.

- 10.1 All the racing areas are located in Sultanate of Oman. The racing will take the fleet from Muscat (Muscat located marina (tbc)), Sur, Masirah Island, Duqm, to finish in Salalah.

The courses to be sailed will be detailed in the Sailing instructions.

Provisional navigation road book will be published as Appendix #2 not later than 31st December 2018.

- 10.3 Each coastal raid course will be raced through intermediate scoring gates which will be defined in the Sailing Instructions. The purpose of this, is to allow the race committee greater opportunities for running racing in a variety of sailing conditions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 Penalty system will be modified by Sailing Instructions.
- 11.2 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will not apply.

12. SCORING

- 12.1 The low point scoring system will be used. The details of the scoring system is as follows:
- 12.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 12.3 (a) All coastal raid will count towards a team's final score.
- (b) When more than three inshore races are held at the same venue, teams will discard their worst race from that venue's total score.
- (c) A team's inshore ranking in each venue will count as points towards their final score. (d) Scoring factors:

Type of race	Scoring factor
Inshore race (each)	1
Coastal raid	2

13. SAILS

- 13.1 Each team will use no more than the following amount of sails for the duration of the regatta: 1 Mainsail, 1 jib (to confirm North Sails 2018 only or authorize Europeans 2017 as well), and 1 gennaker (same as SATT 2018) which will be provided for the duration of the regatta.
- 13.2 The provided gennaker will be branded with the event logo and will be provided by the organizing authority at registration. It will be the team's responsibility to ensure this gennaker remain in good conditions.

14. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Race boats shall not be hauled out, pulled over or deliberately laid over on its side in order to facilitate cleaning of the underwater section of the hull, except with and according to the terms of prior written permission from the race committee.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

17. TROPHIES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- 1st Overall
- 2nd Overall
- 3rd Overall
- 1st Inport (Overall)

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4 of RRS, Decision to Race.

The Organizing Authority 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.

19. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured for Hull & Marine Third Party Liability Insurance (including liability to guests on-board) with a minimum limit of EUR 1,500,000 unless otherwise specially agreed by the Racing Committee). Such insurance shall be provided by recognized and approved insurers. In case of doubt all documents shall be reviewed by the Race Committee during the entry process

20. CHARTER AGREEMENT

Each Team chartering a Diam24 shall agree on the Charter Agreement as defined in Appendix 3.

21. MEDIA

- 21.1 All teams may be required to submit to interviews, Team Q&A sessions, photo-shoots, and other media engagements as requested by the organizing committee.
- 21.2 It is the intention of Oman Sail to send out media reports that are performance focused and crew availability for that day / race and, over the course of the event, give all teams an even amount of exposure.

22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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NOR APPENDIX 1 – PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

Recommended Schedule and Stopovers			
Dates	Stopover	Racing / Activities	Notes
February			
Saturday 2nd	Muscat	Registration and exhibition race	
Sunday 3rd	Muscat	Opening Ceremony	
		Coastal Race (Raid)	
Monday 4th	Muscat	Inport and transfer equipment	
Tuesday 5th	Early transfer Muscat to Sur	Stop at Wadi Shab and Sink hole or afternoon in shore	
Wednesday 6th	Sur	Coastal Race towards Ras Al Hadd and back	Stay in a hotel in Sur for the duration and keep the boats at the sailing school or on the pontoon
Thursday 7th	Sur	Inport race	
Friday 8th	Transfer to Masirah	Bus / ferry	
Saturday 9th	Masirah Island	Raid of S.W. of the Island TBC	
Sunday 10th	Masirah Island	Race (near Ferry Terminal, NW of the Island)	
Monday 11th	Transfer to Duqm	Ferry / Bus	
Tuesday 12th	Duqm	Race round the Island	Stay at Renaissance Duqm
Wednesday 13th	Duqm	Inport	
Thursday 14th	Transfer to Salalah	Bus along coast side	Hotel & apartments in Hawana village
Friday 15th	Salalah (Hawana Marina)	Raid to Mirbat	
Saturday 16th	Salalah	inport	
		Closing Ceremony	

NOR APPENDIX 2 – PROVISIONAL NAVIGATION ROAD BOOK

To be published by 31th December 2018

NOR APPENDIX 3 – CHARTER PACKAGES & CHARTER AGREEMENT

1. Entering the Event

Entry Fee: 22 000 €

- * Entry fee for 3 sailors
- * Crew accommodation & catering for 15 days
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2. Optional Packages

- * Every extra person incurs a cost of 3 000 €, for 15 days

* After paying the entry fee, teams have the option of chartering a Diam24 for 6 000 € from Oman Sail, available on a first-come-first-served basis. Additional information about the Charter service and equipment on board is available upon request from the Event Manager (see Contact Us).

NOTE: There will be a mandatory refundable bond of 1 500 € to be paid before 2nd February 2019 for chartering a Diam24

3. Charter agreement

See section 2 of the Entry Form for details about the Charter Agreement

NOR APPENDIX 4 - ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display event advertising and team identification decals. Which may include:

1. Bow stickers:

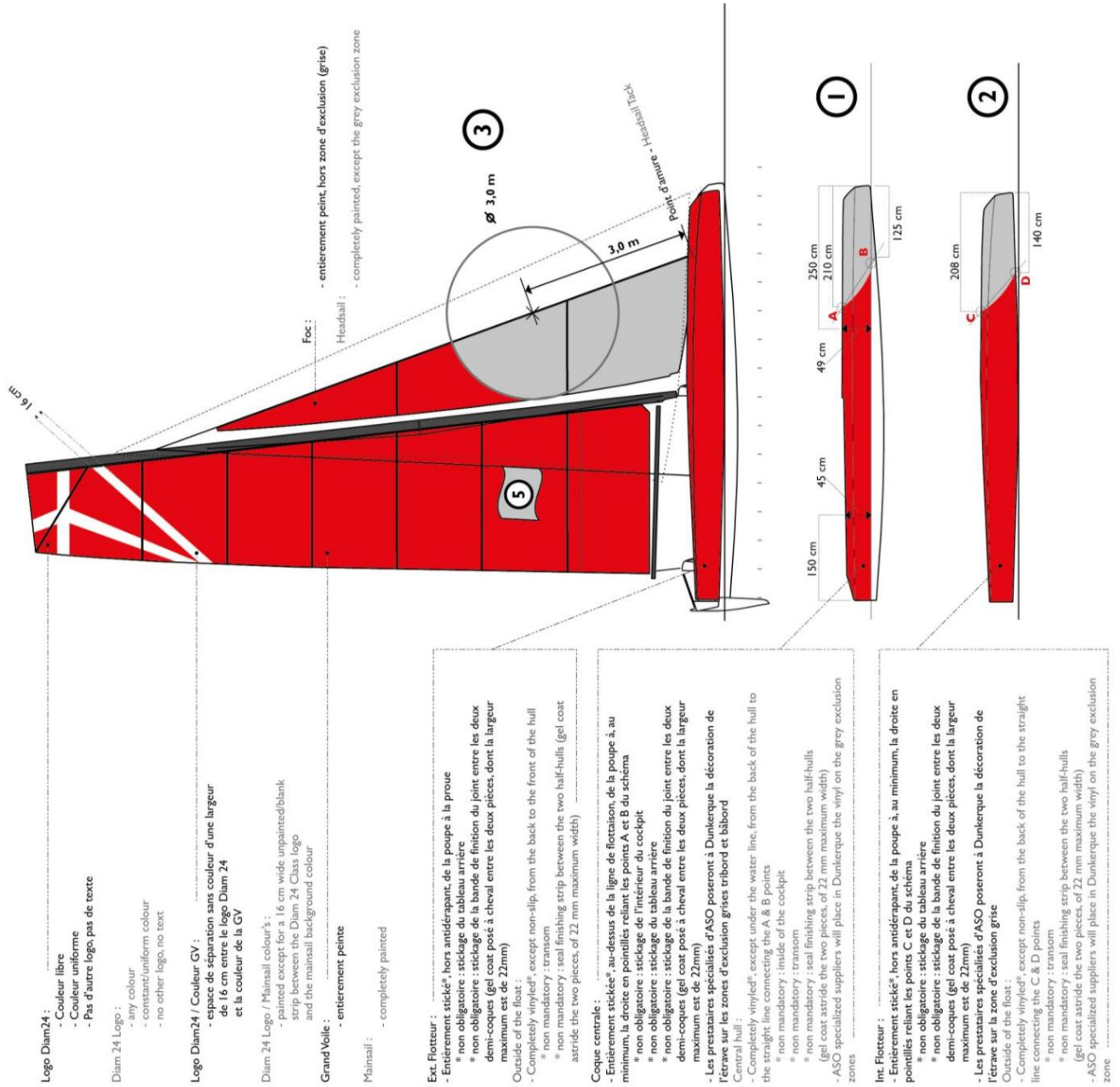
- * Shall be provided at registration or applied beforehand on request
- * Displayed on both sides of the hull (see drawing below ❶ ❷)
- * Skippers responsibility that the stickers remain clear and attached to the hull
- * Note: the title sponsor boat will be allowed to opt out of using the bow sticker. In this case this does not exempt other boats from displaying the bow sticker.

2. Shrouds Flags:

- * Shall be provided at registration or at the latest during the Opening Ceremony,
- * Shall be flown 1.50m above floats at all times (see drawing below ❸)

3. Jib stickers:

- * Shall be provided at registration or applied beforehand on request
- * Displayed on both sides of the low area of jib (see drawing below ❹)



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NOR APPENDIX 5 – BOAT INVENTORY

1. Navigation equipment:

Please note that electronic equipment such as speedometer or compass (eg. Velocitek), Ipad and navigation software* are not part of the core inventory. They will be not provided by the Organizing Authority.

Each Team shall bring their own navigation equipment, unless written agreement has been set between the Organizing Authority and the Team.

*Extreme attention is asked to Skippers and Navigators to update their charts prior to the event.

2. Equipment inventory

a. Provided by Organizing Authority in case of team has chosen the option of chartering a Diam24

* with or without Racing sails wardrobe

* Hardware (snatch blocks, winch handles, tools...)

* Safety equipment incl. **EPIRB (inside waterproof container), AIS individual beacons**

* Running rigging

* Hand held VHF

b. Provided by Organizing Authority in all the case

* One gennaker

* **EPIRB (inside waterproof container), AIS individual beacons**

* **Hand held VHF unit**

3. Others equipment

a. Not Mandatory

It is strongly advised to each Team to bring their own:

* Mast harness

* Headlamp

b. Mandatory

* Helmet for each crew members

* lifejacket or buoyancy aid

* A suitable safety knife