



2020 Caribbean Multihull Challenge – St Maarten February 14-16, 2020

Sint Maarten Yacht Club www.smyc.com/caribbean-multihull-challenge

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Sailing Area Races will be held in the waters of Dutch Sint Maarten and French Saint Martin. There may be an overnight stop on French Saint Martin.

1. Rules.

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 The Sailing Instructions may change other racing rules.

1.3 Classes using IMHRR ratings will be governed by the IMHRR rule available at www.imhrr.com.

1.4 Any class using MOCRA ratings will also be governed by the MOCRA rating rule.

1.5 Any class using OMA MultiRule will also be governed by the rules published by the OMA.

1.6 Vessels not having a rating may sail in the Pirate class. The Race Committee will provide a rating which may change after each race.

1.6A. If there are entrants in any class other than IMHRR that constitute a fleet of less than four boats, the race committee has the option to have these vessels sail in the IMHRR class.

1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. Eligibility and Entry

2.1 The Regatta is open to multihull boats and classes listed in Attachment A.

2.2 The Race Committee reserves the right to: a. Combine the start of one class with another. b. Subdivide any class. c. Cancel racing for any class or amalgamate classes if the number of entries is less than five.

2.3 The Race Committee may separate boats into classes and assign boats to those classes at its sole discretion using one of the rating systems listed in NOR 1.

2.3 A. At registration the entrant will define a sail plan choice if such options exist in the rating system.

2.4 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form at the entry and results website prior to the close of registration. www.smyc.com/caribbean-multihull-challenge



3 Entry fees

3.1 The entry fee is US \$6.50 per foot of length overall or US \$200.00 whichever is greater.

3.2 A \$1.00 per foot discount applies when paid by midnight 31 December 2019.

3.3 Entry fees shall be paid no later than the close of registration by cash, St Maarten Bank Check, Visa or MasterCard.

4 Registration and Ratings

4.1 Each boat shall send a representative to complete the boat's registration during the hours shown under 'schedule'.

4.2 Each boat except for Pirate Class shall hold a current valid rating certificate appropriate to the class in which they are entered.

4.3 No rating certificate shall be changed after 1800 on the day before the first scheduled race of the regatta unless such change is expressly permitted in writing by the Technical Committee.

5 Schedule

The schedule is shown in Attachment A.

6 Identification

6.1 Boats with sail numbers shall provide sail numbers at registration.

6.2 Boats without sail numbers may be provided bow numbers by the Race Committee at registration.

7 Sailing Instructions

7.1 Sailing instructions will be available at registration and may be published online prior to the event.

8 Venue

8.1 The venue is the Sint Maarten Yacht Club /Simpson bay, but race starts from the French side of the island are possible. Social events may be hosted by a nearby marina.

9 Courses

9.1 Course and mark descriptions will be distributed with the Sailing Instructions.



10 Penalty System

10.1 For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the two turn penalty is replaced by the one turn penalty.

11 Scoring

11.1 One race must be completed to constitute a series

11.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12 Prizes

12.1 Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in each class with five or more boats entered.

12.2 An overall prize will be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

12.3 Additional awards may be awarded.

13 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 4, 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.

14. Insurance

Each participating vessel shall be insured with the valid third-party liability insurance.

15. Further Information Sailing instructions, notices of changes and results will be posted on the SMYC notice board during the event or at an alternative venue whose location will be shown on the notice board of the SMYC.

Host Club: Sint Maarten Yacht Club Simpson Bay Sint Maarten for further information contact Michele Korteweg – General Manager



Attachment A to the Notice of Race

2020 Schedule

Thurs 13 Feb	1400 - 1800	Registration at Sint Maarten Yacht Club
	1800	Skippers Briefing at Sint Maarten Yacht Club

Fri 14 Feb	0900	Racing
	1830	Daily prize giving at Port de Plaisance

Sat 15 Feb	0900	Racing
	1830	Daily prize giving at Grand Case (French side)

Sun 16 Feb	1030	Racing
	1830	Overall prize giving at Sint Maarten Yacht Club

Class	Eligibility requirements
IMHRR	Boats shall have a valid IMHRR certificate
MOCRA	Boats shall have a valid MOCRA certificate with a rating higher than 0.980
OMA	Boats shall have a valid OMA MultiRule rating
Pirate Class	Boats shall not hold any of the above ratings