



Hobie Tiger National Championships & Extreme Racing Series 2018,

Hosted by : HOBIE CAPE / Hobie Cat Youth Club and Langebaan Yacht Club

Venue : Main Beach, Langebaan.

21st to 25th March 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

Sanctioned 27 February 2018

The regatta is organized by HOBIE CAT YOUTH CLUB, hosted by HOBIE CAPE in conjunction with the Hobie Class Association / Langebaan Yacht Club and under the auspices of SOUTH AFRICAN SAILING, and is to be held at Main Beach, Langebaan, Western Cape.

The notation '[DP]' in the rule in the NOR means that the penalty for the breach of that rule may at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017 – 2020.
- 1.2 The SA Sailing Requirements for Class National Championships, the SA Sailing Requirements for Regional Championships and the SAS Western Cape Regional Bylaws for Regional Championships will apply.
- 1.3 Boats participating in this regatta shall conform to the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2017 -2020, the Class Rules of the Hobie Classes this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Both Skipper and crew shall be paid up members in good standing of the Hobie class association as well as SAS. All membership fees shall be paid before registration and all entry fees shall be paid prior to the schedule starting time of the first race. Failure to do so will result in that entry to be scored DNS.
- 1.5 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. Other changes will appear in full in the sailing instruction.
- 1.6 All boat, crew weight, and equipment violations may additionally be protested under RRS 2 (Fair Sailing) and the Protest Committee would be requested to award a score of DNE-Disqualified Not Excludable. Whenever possible, competitors should be warned of potential equipment violations on the beach before racing when observed by other competitors, the jury, or regatta officials.
- 1.7 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and the supplementary sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board at the Race Office at Hobie Cape shop, Langebaan.

2 ADVERTISING

Advertising is permitted subject to the limitations of WORLD SAILING Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display event advertising on the forward part of the hull.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 In accordance with the WORLD SAILING Regulation 19 (Eligibility Code), all competitors (Helmspersons and all other crew) shall be members in good standing of a Yacht Club affiliated to and in good standing with SA Sailing or their Member National Authority in the case of non-South Africans. The Yacht Club name and membership details shall be stated on the entry form or crew list. Current valid South African Sailing Membership Cards or similar proof of MNA Membership in cases of non-South Africans shall be presented at Registration.

3.2 The regatta is open to the Hobie TIGER Class only.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter at <http://www.hobiesa.co.za/enter> and follow the link and pay the entry fee **ONLINE**

Banking Details

Account Name : H.C.Y.C. Bank : FNB

Branch Langebaan : 210053 Account no : 6 2 6 3 0 5 4 0 4 2 6

Beneficiary Ref : Tigers 2018 + **your name**

This changes J1.2.6

4 FEES

4.1 Entry fee – **R 950 PER BOAT**

4.2 Other Fees:

NB: All Class subscription fees shall be paid prior to Registration at the event.

No payment for this will be accepted at the event itself. The onus is on the individual to make these arrangements with the class association (for class membership) and SAS (for SAS membership) as well as to "issue proof of these subscriptions" being up to date, at registration. This includes the same for the crew – according to the regulated requirements.

Failure to meet this requirement will result in the affected yacht being recorded as "Did Not Compete" and the entry disregarded.

This changes rule A11 (DNC)

BRING A COPY OF PROOF WITH YOU TO REGISTRATION.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 REGISTRATION will take place at HOBIE CAPE Shop, Langebaan. - from 08h30 to 11h30 on Wednesday 21st March 2018 ONLY.

5.2 A skippers briefing will be held at 11h30 on Wednesday 21st March 2018 at HOBIE CAPE Shop, Langebaan.

5.3 The warning signal for the first race will be not before 12h55 on Wednesday 21st March 2018.

5.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for subsequent days will be displayed on the Official Notice Board at the event race office at HOBIE CAPE Shop, Langebaan by latest 20.00hrs the evening before it will take effect.

5.5 Racing will take place each day from Wednesday 21st March through to Saturday 24th March with the option of racing on Sunday 25th March 2018, should this be required in order to constitute the minimum requirements for a regatta.

5.6 On the last day of racing, no warning signal shall be made after 16h00 on Saturday 24th March or 15h00 on Sunday 25th March, 2018, should racing take place on this day.

5.7 FUNCTIONS proposed:

a) Wednesday 21st March

Registration at HOBIE CAPE Shop, Langebaan in the morning – see times above.

Hobie Cape hosted braai at the shop in the evening after sailing.

b) Thursday 22nd March

There is nothing planned for this evening after racing and competitors are encouraged to enjoy the local restaurants.

c) Friday 23rd March

Hobie Tiger X-treme racing series briefing will be held at Main Beach, Langebaan before racing commences for the day. Times will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 19h00 the day before. Official Notice Board located at HOBIE CAPE shop, Langebaan. The prize giving for the Hobie X-Treme racing series will be held as part of a casual dinner at a local restaurant. Details to follow.

d) Saturday 24th March

The official event PRIZE GIVING will be held after the completion of this days racing as the final racing day for the event. Full details will be issued at registration.

e) Sunday 25th March

This day is planned as a pack up and travel day but will be held in reserve as a sailing day should this be required in order to constitute the minimum requirements for a regatta, and the event program will be adjusted accordingly.

The above subject to change and will be confirmed at registration.

6 MEASUREMENTS

Spot measurements may be taken at any stage during the regatta in order to ensure all boats comply with the Hobie Tiger class rules.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available from the Regatta Secretary on completion of registration formalities and will be displayed on the Official Notice Board at HOBIE CAPE shop, Langebaan.

8 RACING VENUE

Racing will take place in Langebaan Lagoon on the Northern side of Schaapen Island with launch facilities from MAIN BEACH, Langebaan. Access to the beach and launch area will be via the parking lot to the front of Hobie Cape shop.

9 THE COURSES

Standard Hobie courses will be used.

No.	Course	Finish	Options for the Race Committee
1	(S) A C A	(F) Downwind	1G 1O 1GO
2	(S) A C A C A	(F) Downwind	2G 2O 2GO
3	(S) A C A B C	(F) Upwind	3O
4	(S) A C A B C A	(F) Downwind	4O
5	(S) A C	(F) Upwind	5G 5O 5GO
6	(S) A C A C	(F) Upwind	6G 6O 6GO
7	(S) A C A B C A C	(F) Upwind	7O

G = GATE O = OFFSET MARK

SEVENSTARS HIGH PERFORMANCE ENERGY DRINK

A board on the back of the committee boat will display the course number to be sailed and will be displayed no later than the warning signal.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 Appendix T – 'Arbitration' shall apply for protests involving RRS Part 2.

10.2 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

11 SCORING

11.1 Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A4 will apply.

11.2 There is no limitation on the number of races to be held.

- 11.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her two worst scores.

12 NATIONAL & REGIONAL CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS

As applicable In order to qualify as a SAS National Class Championship the following criteria shall be satisfied:

- a) A minimum of ten valid entries have been received no later than the closing time for entries one hour before the scheduled starting time of the first race.
- b) At least ten finishers in any two races of the series.
- c) At least four races completed in the event.

13 SAFETY

- 13.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 13.2 Yachts shall comply with their class buoyancy and safety requirements.
- 13.3 All competitors shall wear a personal buoyancy aid capable of supporting a 5 kg steel weight at all times while afloat in a yacht.
- 13.4 Wet or dry suits do not constitute adequate buoyancy!

14 SUPPORT BOATS AND PERSONNEL

- 14.1 All support boats shall be registered with the Organising Authority and will be required to comply with the local registration and event support boat regulations. The Organising Authority may refuse registration and accept later registrations at their sole discretion.
- 14.2 Registered support boats shall act as rescue boats in the case of need. If the Race committee displays Code Flag V all the support boats will have to assist with the rescue operations as requested by the Race committee.
- 14.3 Support boats with team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside of areas where boats are racing from the time of the starting sequence until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats. The Race committee may allow tracking devices to be used.

16 PRIZES

SAS Medals will be awarded in accordance with the requirements for National Championships, as follows:

- a) 10 - 14 boats Gold
- b) 15 - 19 boats Gold & Silver
- c) 20 or more boats Gold, Silver and Bronze

Other prizes and trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the organisers.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor its officials or other persons associated with the organization of the event will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

18 INSURANCE

Each participating boat is encouraged to carry sufficient valid third-party liability insurance to cover any liability arising during the event.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

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