



7 QATAR INTERNATIONAL REGATTA

Sail the Gulf

2nd - 6th February 2016



The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Qatar Sailing & Marine Sports(QSMF) Federation in cooperation with Katara

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS) and Equipment Rules.
- 1.2. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

3. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY AND FEES

- 3.1. The regatta is open to boats of the Optimist, Optimist Team racing, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, Laser Standard, 470 & Hobie-16 classes.
- 3.2. Competitors for Optimist class must be born in 2001 or after.
- 3.3. Competitors for Laser 4.7 class must be born in 1999 or after.
- 3.4. Proof of age is to be produced at registration.
- 3.5. Entry forms for coaches, team leaders, supporters, and competitors must be:
 - a) Filled out on-line through the event website [Http://stg2016.qswf.org.qa](http://stg2016.qswf.org.qa) not later than 15th January 2016.
 - b) or using the attached Official Entry form (Addendum B). Preliminary Entry Forms must be received by 30th December 2015. The Official Entry Forms must be received by the Organizing Committee before 15th January 2016.
- 3.6. Entries may be accepted after the closing date at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.7. An entry fee of USD \$100 per person for coaches, competitors, team leaders and supporters will be payable at the time of registration.
- 3.8. In addition to the requirements of 3.5 & 3.7; coaches, competitors, team leaders and supporters shall deliver signed entry forms and register at the Race Office on 2nd February 2016.
- 3.9. The entry fee covers the cost of opening & closing dinners, daily lunch, tea, water, refreshments, social events, airport pickup/drops and local transportation during the regatta.

4. BOAT CHARTERS

- 4.1. Competitors may use their own private boats or charter boats from the OA.
- 4.2. Laser Standard, Radial and 4.7 boats will be provided without Sails. Essential lines will be provided. Participant bring own items.

4.3. Optimist Boats will not be provided with Sails, Hand Bailers & Paddles.

4.4. Charter fees are as follows:

Classes	Damage Deposit (Refundable)	Charter Fee During Regatta (For five Days)
Optimist	USD \$100	USD \$100
Laser Radial, 4.7 & Standard	USD \$150	USD \$150
470	USD \$200	USD \$200
Hobie-16	USD \$300	USD \$300

5. SAFETY

5.1. All Sailing boats must have a towing rope on board of at least 8 meters in length.

5.2. All competitors shall bring their own personal buoyancy which must be capable of being fastened at all times while afloat. Wet / dry suits do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

6. SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Time	Event
2 nd February	Tuesday	0900	Official Arrival Day Registration Office Open
2 nd February	Tuesday	1300	Practice Race, Optimist Team race
3 rd February	Wednesday	1000	Warning signal for 1 st race of the day
4 th February	Thursday	1000	Warning signal for 1 st race of the day
5 th February	Friday	1300	Warning signal for 1 st race of the day
6 th February	Saturday	1000	Warning signal for 1 st race of the day
6 th February	Saturday	1900	Closing Ceremony & Dinner

On 6th February no warning signal will be made after 1500.

7. MEASUREMENTS

7.1. Sails will be measured.

7.2. Substitution of damaged equipment may be permitted provided the damaged equipment has been checked by the Measurement Committee and the substituting equipment is presented to the Measurement Committee. Such substitution will be subject to the approval of Race Committee.

7.3. Private boats will be checked by the Measurement Committee.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at the Race Office after the completion of Registration and on the event website <http://stg2016.qswf.org.qa>

9. VENUE AND RACING AREAS

9.1. Addendum "A" shows the location of the racing areas.

9.2. Three racing Areas may be used. Racing Area A is in front of Katara Beach, Racing Area B is Doha Bay approximately 30 minutes sailing time from the launching area and Racing Area C is in Doha Bay approximately 40 minutes sailing time from the launching area.

10. COURSES

The course will be a trapezoid configuration and will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. Appendix P will apply.

- 11.2. For the Hobie-16 class RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 11.3. Decisions of the International Jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.5.

12. SCORING

- 12.1. Four races are required to be completed to constitute the regatta.
- 12.2. When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 12.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing, a minimum of 100 metres outside of any lay line, from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 13.2. Support boats shall be marked with their National Flags / National Letters.
- 13.3. Limited coach boats can be made available for charter provided advance request is received by the Organizing Authority by 15th January 2016 as provided in the Official Entry Form.
- 13.4. The charter fee of a Coach Boat is QR.700 - per day (Without Petrol) with driver, for Rubber Boat it is QR.500 – per day (Without Petrol and Driver).
- 13.5. Support boats may be requested by the Race Officer to assist with rescue or other race management duties.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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

15. PRIZES

- 15.1. Medals will be awarded to top 3 positions in each class / category.
- 15.2. Certificates of Participation will be given to each participant (competitors & officials).
- 15.3. Cash prizes will be given as follows:

Classes	Cash Prizes (QR)		
	First	Second	Third
Optimist Overall, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial & Laser Standard	10000	7000	4000
470 & Hobie-16	10000	7000	4000
Optimist Team Racing (per team)	5000	4000	3000

- 15.4. Organizing Authority may award additional prizes.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1. 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.
- 16.2. The Organizing Authority will require each competitor to sign a waiver for loses, damage or injury to persons or properties occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the Venue premises. The Organizing Authority and its respective members, employees, officers and / or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as consequence of the participation of any boat.

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance.

18. CONTACT INFORMATION

The official address of the Organizing Authority is:

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19. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

In participating in an event, a competitor automatically grants to the Organising Authority and the sponsors of the event, the right in perpetuity, to make, use and show, from time to time and at their discretion, any motion pictures, still pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him/her during the period of the competition in these events event in which the competitor participates and in all material related to the events without compensation.

FURTHER INFORMATION, NOT PART OF THE NOTICE OF RACE

20. VISA

- 20.1. Visa is required for visitors.
- 20.2. For the Visa, it is essential to receive the following data:
 - Full name of the participants (Competitor, Coach, Team Leader, Supporters, etc.) as per passport.
 - Traveling Details.
- 20.3. Visitors must be in possession of a valid passport (with six months expiry date) on their arrival at Doha.
- 20.4. A scanned copy of passport containing personal particulars must be sent to qatarsailing@yahoo.com before 15st January 2016 to get the free of cost 'Qatar Entry Visa' on time. It takes at least 10 working days to obtain the visa.
- 20.5. Copy of the Visa will be sent by e-mail. Visitors are requested to keep the copy of the Entry Visa while travelling.

21. ACCREDITATION

All visitors must send their passport size photograph, preferably in jpg format to qatarsailing@yahoo.com at least 15 days prior to the Regatta to have their Accreditation Cards ready before their arrival at site.

22. BANK DETAIL

The bank details of Organizing Committee are:

Beneficiary:	Qatar Sailing and Rowing Federation
Bank Name:	Qatar National Bank
Main Branch	Doha – Qatar
Account number:	0787-013883-001
SWIFT Code:	QNBAQAQXXX
IBAN number :	QA22 QNBA 0000 0000 0787 0138 8300 1

Notice 1 USA Dollar = Q.R 3.65

23. TRANSPORTATION

Local transport will be provided by the Organizing Authority daily to all the participants at the hotels situated near the venue including pick/drop facility at the Airport.

24. SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Opening and Closing ceremonies with dinner have been scheduled. Other Social events will be planned as Regatta Social Program and will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the site.

25. SAILING CONDITIONS

Expected weather condition with in the Racing Area

Average Day Time Temperature	-	18.3° C
Average Sea Surface Temperature	-	18.5° C
Average prevailing wind strength	-	8.9 knots

26. Accommodation

- 26.1 The Official hotel for the event is INTERCONTENENTAL DOHA THE CITY.
- 26.2 For booking please visit our website www.qswf.org.qa.

Addendum A



Addendum B



QATAR INTERNATIONAL REGATTA (SAIL THE GULF 2016)



2nd - 6th February 2016

PRELIMINARY ENTRY FORM BY NUMBER

Federation/Association would like

to enter as under:

Optimist	
Laser 4.7	
Laser Radial	
Laser Std	
470	
Hobie - 16	
Officials	

Coach Boat Required:	Yes	No
If Yes, give dates:	FROM	TO

Name : _____ Signed: _____

Designation: _____

Dated : _____ Contact: _____

Note: Entry by number must reach the Organising Committee by **15th January 2016**

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