

Standard Insurance - Smart Infinity
7th Manila to Boracay Race 2009
February 14 - 16 2009

Notice of Race

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The Regatta Organizing Authority is the Manila Yacht Club under the auspices of the Philippine Sailing Association

Enquires and entries should be addressed to:

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1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. The following will apply
 - The ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Appendix J, Category 3.
 - Safety Rules for Multihulls (These will be available one month before the event)
 - The IRC Rules parts 1,2 and 3.
 - The Cruising Handicap System, as administered by the Organizing Committee
 - The Notice of Race (unless amended by the Sailing Instructions)
 - Radio Instructions for the Manila to Boracay Race
 - The Sailing Instructions
 - In case of conflict between any of the above, succeeding items take precedence.

2. Advertising

- 2.1. The Regatta is designated as a "Category C" event in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code.
- 2.2. Boats wishing to carry sponsors names or logos on sails, and/or hulls should seek approval from the organizing committee in order to prevent conflicts with Regatta Sponsors.
- 2.3. The organizing committee may require all boats to display the Regatta sponsors advertising on their boats.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. Classes are classified in line with the President's Cup Regatta so that boats may compete in the same class in the Combined Results Boracay Series.
- 3.2. The Regatta will have the following classes:

IRC Racing Class: Keelboats with an IRC rating of 1.03 or greater with a Hull Factor (HF) of 7.5 and above or a displacement / Length Ratio (DLR) of less than 150.

IRC Premier Cruising Class: Keelboats with an IRC Rating of 1.03 or greater with a Hull Factor (HF) of 7.4 or less or a displacement / Length Ratio (DLR) equal to or greater than 150.

IRC Cruiser / Racer Class: Keelboats with an IRC rating less than 1.100

Cruising Class: Boats of a cruising nature not currently holding an IRC Certificate.

Multihull Classes: Multihulls of a size, type and condition acceptable to the Organizing Committee racing as one designs or under a rating scheme.

- 3.3. The Race Committee may change the above eligibility factors and number of classes based on its analysis of the entries received. The Committee's decision will be final and is not subject to protest.
- 3.4. For a Class to be recognized by the Regatta, a minimum of 3 boats must enter the Class.
- 3.5. Boats will enter by completing the Entry Form and returning it to The Secretariat by Sunday 1 February 2009. Philippines-based keelboats must submit entry fees with their Entry Form. Foreign boats should pay entry fees at registration. Registration will take place at the Manila Yacht Club.
- 3.6. IRC boats shall submit a copy of their current IRC Certificate to the Regatta Secretariat no later than 0800 Thursday 5 February 2009. No alteration to a boat's TCC will be permitted after this date, except as a result of a rating protest or to correct rating office errors.
- 3.7. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Committee with an additional late entry fee of P 2,000.

4. Fees

- 4.1. The Entry Fee, which include entry for the boat and her skipper, is P 2,000.
- 4.2. Late Scrutineering Fee for local boats is P 5,000.00.

5. Schedule

Sunday 1 February	Last day for receipt of entries
Thursday 5 February	Last day for submission of IRC Certificates
Saturday 7 February	0900 – 1600 Scrutineering for local boats
Saturday 7 February	Sailing Instructions available on event website
Friday 13 February	0900 – 1700 Registration at Manila Yacht Club
	1700 Deadline for submission of Scrutineering Checklist
	1830 Skipper's Briefing at Manila Yacht Club
Saturday 14 February	1355 Warning Signal
Tuesday 17 February	1900 Awards / Welcome Party at Sea Wind Resort

6. Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions will be available for downloading from the Regatta website www.prescup.com no later than 7 February 2009 and at Registration.

7. Scoring

- 7.1. The Standard Insurance - Smart Infinity Manila to Boracay Race 2009 as scheduled in the MYC Racing Calendar will count for the MYC Club Championship Points both in IRC and PY.
- 7.2. Those boats gaining 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in IRC class in the Standard Insurance - Smart Infinity Manila to Boracay Race 2009 will not be eligible for 1st, 2nd or 3rd prize in the PY class for this particular race.

8. Safety and Inspections

- 8.1. The Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 Monohulls 2008-2009, are amended by the Race Committee, so that under 3.29.1 in addition to a VHF marine radio transceiver, a Satellite phone or a Cell phone shall be required.
- 8.2. Boats shall be prepared and made available for inspection not later than 1600 hours Saturday 7 February 2009, (except boats coming in from overseas - no later than 1700 hours Friday 13 February 2009) at a time and location (MYC marina pontoon) agreed by individual boats with the official scrutineer, Owner/Skipper or Owner's Representative is requested to be onboard to assist.
- 8.3. All entrants shall submit the Race Scrutinering Checklist and Declaration to the MYC Race Office no later than 1700 hours Friday 13 February 2009.8.4. All boats shall be liable for inspection before and after the Race, at which time the owner shall ensure that a responsible member of the crew is present to assist.

9. Location

- 9.1. Races will be in the area between Manila Bay and Boracay Island.
- 9.2. The Race Office and Regatta Headquarters will be at the Manila Yacht Club and subsequently at Sea Wind Resort, Boracay Island.

10. Penalty System

For Multihull Classes rule 44.1 and 11.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe is required.

11. International Jury

An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with Appendix N. The decision of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.4.

12. Radio and Cell Phone Communications

- 12.1. Communications between the Race Committee and competitors will be on Marine VHF. Channel 71
- 12.2. A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

- 12.3. A list of all Boats and their Cell Phone Number will be issued along with the Cell Phone number of the Finishing Boat. All position reports will be Texted by Cell Phone to the Finishing Boat at 0600 and 1800 each day.

13 Prizes

- 13.1. The Standard Insurance / Smart Infinity Manila to Boracay 2009 Trophy will be awarded to the Overall First, Second and Third places for each Class. The Kellett Island Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the IRC Racing Class.
- 13.2. A Line Honours Trophy will be awarded to the first IRC Racing Class boat to finish.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

The Manila Yacht Club, the Organizing Committee, the Race Committee, Race Sponsors and their respective representatives, officers, members and volunteers accept no liability whatsoever for any loss of life or property, personal injury and damage caused by, or arising out of the Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. (RRS Fundamental Rule 4)

15. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of P 2 million or the equivalent.