



ISAF NATIONS CUP 2015

Notice of Race

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Section I – General

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authorities (OA) are the Clubs / Member National Authorities as referred to in Section II and Section III of this Notice of Race (NoR) in conjunction with ISAF.

2 EVENT VENUES AND DATES

The venues and dates will be as follows:

Event:	Division:	Venue:	Date:	NoR Sections to apply
<u>Grand Final</u>	Open & Women	Vladivostok, Russia	14-19 July 2015	I, II, IV
<u>Regional Finals</u>				
Africa	Open & Women	Tunis, Tunisia	16-20 March 2015	I, III A, IV
Asia	Open & Women	Zallaq, Bahrain	22-26 April 2015	I, III B, IV
Europe	Open & Women	Howth, Dublin, Ireland	7-10 May 2015	I, III C, IV
North America & Caribbean	Open & Women	San Diego, California, USA	28-31 May 2015	I, III D, IV,
Oceania	Open & Women	Brisbane, Australia	27 Feb-2 March 2015	I, III E, IV
South America	Open & Women	Buenos Aires, Argentina	2- 5 April 2015	I, III F, IV

3 EVENT GRADING

The Grand Final will be an ISAF Grade 1 event.

The Regional Finals will be ISAF Grade 2 events.

This grading is subject to review by the ISAF. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

4.1 ISAF Member National Authorities (MNAs) may enter more than one team in each Division, ranked in preference, to the relevant Regional Final. MNAs will be allocated to Regional Finals by ISAF on a regional basis, as far as possible, on a first come - first served basis – for their first preference or only preference team. Thereafter available places in the relevant Regional Final in each division will be allocated to their second preference candidates on a first come- first served basis. The same process will repeat for any third preference teams from an MNA. Section IV of this Notice of Race shows the MNA's allocation.

4.2 a) **For Africa and Oceania Regional Finals only:** MNAs should apply for an entry by **1 January 2015** nominating their skippers and ISAF will respond with invitations.

b) **For the remaining Regional Finals:** MNAs should apply for an entry by **15 January 2015** nominating their skippers and ISAF will respond with invitations.

If the numbers of entries received at a particular Regional Final exceed the number of teams to be accommodated at this Regional Final, the entries may be split and a second Regional Final held for that 'region' or another allocation may be made by the ISAF after consultation of the ISAF Nations Cup Working Party.

4.3 **The closing date for MNAs to apply for a place at a Regional Final or to secure their place "as by right" under paragraph 4.5 is 1 January 2015 for Africa and Oceania, and 15 January 2015 for the remaining Regional Finals.**

After that date individual skipper entries from nations whose MNA has not applied for a place will be considered. Individual skippers and teams may apply to ISAF or the OA of the Regional Final in the event that a MNA makes no submission. These will be processed according to the number of places left at the appropriate Regional Final. Skippers will be ranked according to the ISAF Match Racing Ranking Lists. These entries will need the subsequent approval of ISAF and the relevant MNAs. **Regional Final venues will have the responsibility of attracting entries with the support of ISAF.** Late entries may be accepted in ISAF's discretion.

4.4 Ten (10) open Division and ten (10) women Division skippers will be invited to the Grand Final. Only skippers invited by ISAF, after satisfying paragraph 4.5 below, will be eligible to be invited to the Grand Final.

4.5 a) The MNA of the skipper winning each Division of the Regional Finals and in addition the runner up in each Division for Europe will be invited to the Grand Final.

b) The host venue MNA of each Regional Final will be entitled to have one entry in each of the Open and Women's Division at their Regional Final.

c) The host venue MNA for the Grand Final will be entitled to have one entry in each of the Open and Women's Division at the Grand Final.

d) The MNA of the skippers currently holding the Nations Cup ('the defending Nation') in each Division will be invited to the Grand Final. The host MNA and the MNAs of the skippers currently holding the Nations Cup in each Division are eligible to participate in the Regional Finals for the applicable Divisions (and also go through to the Grand Final as a second place from that MNA).

e) A new element is added to encourage and develop Youth (U23) Match Racing. Youth teams may be invited to the Regional Finals in the Open and Women's Division and are eligible for an ISAF wildcard entry to the Grand Final. In the Grand Final they will race in their respective Division and the results extracted to select the ISAF Nations Cup 2015 best Youth Match Racing Team.

f) Any places still to be filled for the Grand Final will be decided by the ISAF after consultation of the ISAF Nations Cup Working Party.

4.6 If an MNA earns an entry to the Grand Final at a Regional Final, they may substitute the skipper who competed, but must notify ISAF at least one (1) calendar month before the Grand Final.

4.7 To remain eligible the MNA shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing and nominate their skipper (fax or e-mail is acceptable). Both the acceptance and nomination must be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

4.8 Any competitor (skipper and crew) in the Nations Cup must be a national of the MNA which is entering him/her or which he/she represents.

4.9 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.

4.10 All competitors shall hold ISAF Eligibility as required by ISAF Regulation 19.

4.11 All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers and crew shall inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.

5 ENTRIES

5.1 The team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made as specified in Section II and III.

5.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee as specified for each Regional Final shall be paid at registration. If qualified for the Grand Final in accordance with 4.5, the non-refundable entry fee for the Grand Final shall be paid at registration.

5.3 Damage deposit

The damage deposit will be specified in Sections II and III.

5.4 Insurance

All competitors are required to have adequate third party insurance.

6 RULES

6.1 (a) The events will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS 2013-2016, and including Appendix C.

(b) The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.

(c) Any prescriptions of the national authority that will apply shall be posted on the official notice board prior to registration.

(d) ISAF may, under RRS 86.2, approve changes to the racing rules for some or all of the Regional Finals and/or the Grand Final. In this event this Notice of Race will be amended with the details and the appropriate authorisation.

6.2 Add to RRS 41: (e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.

6.3 An International Jury (IJ) will be appointed in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

6.4 The OA may place an observer on each boat to provide information to the umpires.

7 ADVERTISING

- (a) ISAF Regulation 20.4 applies as boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- (b) Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- (c) Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).

8 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA may require television personnel and equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

9 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Each team is requested to provide a national flag approximately 100cm x 70 cm for display from the stern of the boat.

10 COACH BOATS

- (a) Individual coach boats shall not be allowed. A coach boat is any boat that is under the direction or control of a person gathering information or giving material support for the benefit of particular competitors either on the water or off.
- (b) The organisers may provide combined coach boats.

11 DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and they are reminded of the provisions of RRS 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

- (a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and the boat supplied to them to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their supplied boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their supplied boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
- (e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances;

12 OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

This is not part of the Notice of Race: There will be a clinic in connections with some of the Regional Finals. Further information will be found on the ISAF website <http://www.sailing.org/nations-cup.php>.

Section II – Grand Final
Vladivostok, Russia
14 – 19 July 2015

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is ISAF in conjunction with the Seven Feet Yacht Club, Vladivostok and the Russian Yachting Federation.

2 VENUE

The venue will be the Seven Feet Yacht Club, Vladivostok.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES - the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support.

4.1 The Entry fee will be USD 300 payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of USD 1000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Platu 25 type boats.
- (b) 10 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 or 5 for the Open Division and 3 or 4 or 5 for the Women's Division. All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350 kg for the Open Division and 272 kg for the women's division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - A round robin or a double round robin
Stage 2/3/4 etc - Quarter Final/Semi Final/ Petit final/Final etc (each a separate stage)
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Semi Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be the adjacent waters to Amursky Zaliv, Vladivostok.

9 PRIZES

- (a) The principal prize for first place in each Division will be the ISAF Nations Cup.
- (b) ISAF Medals in Gold, Silver and Bronze for the teams finishing first, second and third in each division.
- (c) ISAF has been notified of these Prizes.
- (d) The OA, after consultation with the ISAF Technical Delegate, may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

10 CONTACT

For further information and qualified entries **please contact Tatiana Ermakova, termakovaa@yandex.ru +79841979888** supported for visas by Yana Dobzhitskaya rsmrc@yandex.ru +79035553666 (at the Russian Yachting Federation)

Section III – Regional Finals

A – Regional Final AFRICA

**Tunis, Tunisia
16 - 20 March 2015**

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Tunisia Sailing Federation in conjunction with ISAF.

2 VENUE

The venue will be the Tunis, TUN.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES – the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support.

4.1 The Entry fee will be EUR 250 payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of EUR 350 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in 747 One Design boats with symmetric spinnakers.
- (b) A minimum of 4 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Genoa, and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 or 5 for the Open Division and 3 or 4 or 5 for the Women's Division. All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350 kg for the Open Division and 272 kg for the Women's Division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - A round robin or a double round robin
Stage 2/3/4 etc - Quarter Final/Semi Final/ Petit Final/Final etc each a separate stage
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be the waters of the Port of Gammarth, Tunis

9 PRIZES

There will be a prize for the team finishing first.
Further prizes may be awarded.

10 CONTACT

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B – Regional Final ASIA

**Zallaq, Kingdom of Bahrain
22 - 26 April 2015**

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Bahrain Marine Sports Association in conjunction with ISAF.

2 VENUE

The venue will be the Bahrain Sailing Club, Zallaq, Kingdom of Bahrain.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES - the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support

4.1 The Entry fee will be EUR 500 payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of EUR 250 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in J24 type boats.
- (b) A minimum of 8 boats will be provided (10 for training).
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 or 5 for the Open Division and 3 or 4 or 5 for the Women's Division. All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350 kg for the Open Division and 272 kg for the Women's Division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - A round robin or a double round robin
Stage 2/3/4 etc - Quarter Final/Semi Final/ Petit Final/Final etc each a separate stage
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be the adjacent waters to the Bahrain Sailing Club, Al Jazaer Beach

9 PRIZES

There will be a prize for the team finishing first.
Further prizes may be awarded.

10 CONTACT

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C – Regional Final EUROPE

**Howth, Dublin, Ireland
7 – 10 May 2015**

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Howth Yacht Club and the Irish Sailing Association in conjunction with ISAF.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Howth, Co Dublin, Ireland

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES - the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support

4.1 The Entry fee will be EUR 500 payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of EUR 1000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in the SailFleet J80 type boats or similar.
- (b) A minimum of 8 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and symmetric Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round, as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4 or 5 for the Open division and 3 or 4 or 5 for the Women's division. All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 350 kg for the Open Division and 272 kg for the Women's Division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - A round robin or a double round robin
Stage 2/3/4 etc - Quarter Final/Semi Final/ Petit Final/Final etc each a separate stage
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be the waters North of Howth Harbour.

9 PRIZES

There will be a prize for the team finishing first.
Further prizes may be awarded.

10 CONTACT

For further information **please contact** Howth Yacht Club Manager **Carl Hanratty** manager@hvc.ie +353 1 8322141.

E – Regional Final NORTH AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN

San Diego, California, USA

28 - 31 May 2015

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the San Diego Yacht Club, and US Sailing in conjunction with ISAF.

2 VENUE

The venue will be the San Diego Yacht Club, California, USA.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES - the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support.

4.1 The Entry fee will be USD 500 payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of USD 1000 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in J-22 type boats.
- (b) A minimum of 9 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round, as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3 or 4 in the Open Division and 3 or 4 or 5 in the Women's Division. All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 262.5kg in the Open Division and 272kg in the Women's Division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - A round robin or a double round robin
Stage 2/3/4 etc - Quarter Final/Semi Final/ Petit Final/Final etc each a separate stage
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be near the Grape St Pier, San Diego Bay

9 PRIZES

There will be a prize for the teams finishing first in each division.
Further prizes may be awarded.

10 CONTACT

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F – Regional Final OCEANIA

Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

27 Feb – 2 March 2015

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is the Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron and Yachting Australia in conjunction with ISAF.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Waterloo Bay, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES - the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support.

4.1 The Entry fee will be AUS \$ 990 (inc GST) payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of AUS \$ 500 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Elliott 6 type boats for the Open Division and the Women's Division.
- (b) A minimum of 6 boats will be provided (an addition 4 boats may be available based on entries)
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, jib, Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round, as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3 or 4 for the Open division and 3 or 4 for the Women's division. All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 262.5 kg for the Open Division and 204 kg for the Women's Division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
 - Stage 1 - A double Round Robin
 - Stage 2 - Quarter Final
 - Stage 3 - Semi-Final
 - Stage 4 - Petit Final
 - Stage 5 - Final
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be in the waters adjacent to Manly Boat Harbour.

9 PRIZES

There will be a prize for the team finishing first.
Further prizes may be awarded.

10 CONTACT

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or Dugald Henderson Chairman – Sailing Committee sailing@rqys.com.au.

G –Regional Final SOUTH AMERICA

Buenos Aires, Argentina

2 – 5 April 2015

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is with the Club Universitario de Buenos Aires and the Federación Argentina de Yachting (FAY) in conjunction with ISAF.

2 VENUE

The venue will be Sede Nunez, Club Universitario de Buenos Aires, Puerto de Nunez, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course.

4 ENTRIES - the venue will have the responsibility of attracting and completing entries with ISAF support.

4.1 The Entry fee will be USD 200 or the equivalent in local currency as advised by the OA payable at registration.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of USD 200 or the equivalent in local currency as advised by the OA shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident.
- (b) In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- (c) Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.

5 BOATS AND SAILS

- (a) The event will be sailed in Jorge Heguilor 5.9m LOA type keelboats
- (b) Up to 5 boats will be provided.
- (c) The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- (d) Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round, as decided by the Race Committee.

6 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- (a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 3 or 4 (Open Division) and 3 or 4 (Women's division). All registered crew shall sail all races. All crew members (including the skipper) shall be female in the Women's Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 262.5kg in the Open Division and 204kg in the Women's Division, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- (c) When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- (d) When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

7 EVENT FORMAT

- (a) The event will consist of the following stages:
Stage 1 - A round robin or a double round robin
Stage 2/3/4 etc - Quarter Final/Semi Final/Petit Final/Final etc each a separate stage
- (b) The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.
- (c) A maximum of one team per MNA per Division may progress to the Final. In the event more than one team per MNA is eligible, the highest ranked team in Stage 1 will progress.

8 COURSE

- (a) The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be near the venue

9 PRIZES

There will be a prize for the teams finishing first in each division.
Further prizes may be awarded.

10 CONTACT

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Section IV – Allocation of Entries

ISAF has allocated the MNA's to the following Regional Finals:

OPEN DIVISION & WOMEN'S DIVISION

Africa	Asia	Europe		North America & Caribbean	Oceania	South America
Tunis TUN	Bahrain BRN	Howth, Dublin IRL		San Diego USA	Brisbane AUS	Buenos Aires, ARG
ALG	AZE	AND	BEL	AHO	ASA	ARG
ANG	BRN	ARM	BLR	ANT	AUS	BRA
BOT	CHN	AUT	CZE	ARU	COK	CHI
EGY	HKG	BUL	DEN	BAH	FIJ	COL
KEN	INA	CRO	EST	BAR	GUM	ECU
LBA	IND	CYP	FIN	BER	JPN **	PAR
MAD	KAZ	ESP	GBR	BVI	KOR **	PER
MAR	KGZ	FRA	GER	CAN	MAS	URU
MRI	KSA	GEO	HUN	CAY	NZL	VEN
NAM	KUW	GRE	ISL	CUB	PNG	
NGR	LIB	ISR	IRL	DOM	SAM	
RSA	MYA	ITA	LAT	ESA	SOL	
SEN	OMA	LIE	LTU	GRN	TAH	
SEY	PAK	MKD	LUX	GUA	VAN	
SUD	PHI	MLT	MDA	ISV		
TUN	PLE	MON	NED	JAM		
ZIM	QAT	POR	NOR	LCA		
	SIN	ROU	POL	MEX		
	SRI	SBR	RUS	PAN		
	THA	SMR	SVK	PUR		
	TPE	SLO	SWE	TRI		
	UAE	SUI	UKR	USA		
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**** KOR and JPN can elect to participate in the Asia Regional Final instead of Oceania**

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INVITE REQUEST FORM

Member National Authority	ISAF Group	Continent/Region

We herewith apply for an invitation for the ISAF Nations Cup 2015 as per Notice of Race 4.1. We intend to enter the following skippers:

Open Division **O Yes / O No**

Skipper	ISAF Sailor ID	E-mail address

Or

Skipper will be selected at the following event:

Event name	Date	Venue

Women's Division **O Yes / O No**

Skipper	ISAF Sailor ID	E-mail address

Or

Skipper will be selected at the following event:

Event name	Date	Venue

Signature	Date

Please return the completed and signed form to the ISAF Secretariat via email (competitions@isaf.com) or via fax (+44 2380 635 789) as soon as possible before the deadline.