



THE RACE AROUND

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

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1. Organising Authority, Race Management & Official Noticeboard

1.1 Organising Authority:

The Race Around is organised in partnership by 5Ocean Sports Marketing Limited and Manuka Sports Event Management LLC. Those organisations are represented by their General Directors, Sam Holliday and Hugh Piggin.

The Organising Authority may be referred to as “the Organiser” in official documents.

1.2 Race Management:

The Race Management team will include, but is not limited to:

- a. A management team responsible for the day-to-day activities and overall facilitation of The Race Around
- b. An on-water management team, including a ‘Race Director’, responsible for starts, finishes and the running of all in-race safety and sporting obligations.

1.3 Official Noticeboard:

- a. The Official Noticeboard can be found in two locations:
 - Within the official race website: www.theracearound.com
 - At a location near to or in the onsite Race Management Centre within the Race Village
- b. In the event of a conflict between the two boards, the version found online will prevail.
- c. Any question must be asked by electronic mail in either English or French. Questions must be asked to Race Direction who will forward them to the race committee, the technical committee, the jury, the Organising Authority, or any other entity with the power to provide an official response.
 - Answers will be provided in both English and French
 - Questions and answers relating to any sporting matter will be posted online within the official noticeboard for the benefit of all competitors.

1.4 Race Officials:

- a. Race Officials shall be appointed in accordance with World Sailing guidelines
- b. A “Technical Committee” responsible for inspections and ensuring adherence to the various technical obligations as stipulated by Class40 and World Sailing

- c. An International Jury will be formed in accordance with Appendix N of the Racing Rules of Sailing and in accordance with RRS 70.5. All decisions issued by the Jury will be final.

1.5 Race Doctor:

- a. A Race Doctor will be appointed as stipulated in appendix 3 of the FF Voile's medical regulations. The Race Doctor will be the Doctor throughout the event and will be responsible for monitoring the health and wellbeing of each Competitor during the race on behalf of the Organising Authority.

2: Name and Objective of the Race:

2.1 Name:

The official name of the race is "The Race Around". It should be noted that the official name is subject to change dependent upon the onboarding of a 'Naming Partner'.

2.2. Objective:

The Race Around is an offshore yacht race designed to accommodate the need for a competitive, multi-stage, round-the-world event open to all sailors holding a valid Class40 membership.

Alongside a global sporting event, The Race Around has been created to provide commercial opportunities with global partners, to champion environmental excellence and sustainable innovation as well as gender equality and diversity across the wider marine industry and to provide spectators of the sport of sailing with an event to enjoy through global distribution channels.

The Race Around is a quadrennial event and is open to Class40 monohulls that are in good standing with and meet the measurement requirements of the Class40 Association.

3. Course, Time Limit and Number of Participants:

3.1 Course:

The Race Around is a multi-stage, West to East, circumnavigation of the globe starting and finishing in Europe. Competitors will pass the Cape of Good Hope, Cape Leeuwin and Cape Horn to port.

- a. A start will be on the West coast of France. The selected start city will be communicated no later than December 31st, 2021 and will be communicated through Official Channels and in an appendix to the Notice of Race.
- b. Leg One: France to Cape Town, South Africa.

- c. Leg Two: Cape Town, South Africa to New Zealand. The selected city in New Zealand will be communicated no later than December 31st, 2021.
- d. Leg Three: New Zealand to South America. The selected city in South America will be communicated no later than December 31st, 2021
- e. Leg Four: South America to Europe. The selected European city will be communicated no later than December 31st, 2021
- f. The Organising Authority retains the right to hold one 'Promotional' race day at each host city location.
- g. A stopover will not be less than three weeks in each respective host city. A larger stopover will be planned in New Zealand.
- h. A program is detailed within Appendix 3. The Organising Authority reserves the right to modify the route if necessary.

3.2 Time Limits:

- a. The Time Limit for each leg will be defined in the Sailing Instructions.

3.3 Number of Participants

- a. The number of entries is limited to 35 (thirty-five) entries across both the two categories (single and double-handed)
- b. A minimum of 15 boats is necessary for the start of The Race Around to be given
- c. A minimum of 10 boats is necessary to constitute a category

4. Rules:

4.1 The Race Around will be governed by:

- a. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RSS) 2020-2024
- b. Part B of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) as applicable
- c. The prescriptions and regulations as outlined by the FF Voile. In accordance with RRS 88.1 no other national body prescriptions shall apply.
- d. WORLD SAILING's Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Category 0 monohulls.
- e. The Class40's Class Rules

- a. Annex 2 details an amendment to Class rules relating to authorized sails and their conditions for use
- f. The Notice of Race (NOR)
- g. The Sailing Instructions and their Addendums (SI's)
- h. The Sustainable Event Requirements
- i. The Sustainable Race Team code of conduct
- j. Rule 55 (Trash Disposal): A competitor shall not intentionally put trash in the water.
- k. Obligation to report marine mammal collisions using the standard protocol developed by the International Whaling Commission's (IWC) Scientific Committee
- l. The Competitors Code of Conduct
- m. Branding and Communications Guidelines

4.2 The Racing Rules of Sailing are modified as follows:

- a. The RRS Chapter 2 (when boats meet): apply up to 20 miles from a start or finish line. Outside of 20nm from a start or finish line or after sunset and before sunrise part 2 of COLREGS apply.
- b. In the event of conflict between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7r
- c. Rule 41 (Outside Help) and Rule 45 (Drying out, Mooring and Anchoring): modified in section 10.
- d. RRS 44.1 (Taking a Penalty): modified in section 13
- e. RRS 47.1 (Limitations on equipment): modified in section 10
- f. RRS 50.2 (outriggers, jib and spinnaker) is deleted
- g. Rule 51 (Moveable Ballast): deleted, refer to Class40 rule
- h. Rule 52 (Manual Energy): deleted, refer to Class40 rule.
- i. Rule 61 (Protest Requirements): modified in Sailing Instructions
- j. In the event of a conflict between the Class rules and the Offshore Special Regulations the 'OSR' shall prevail.
- k. In the event of uncertainty about the prevalence or the rules that apply, clarification can be from the Organising Authority.

4.3 OSR Category ZERO requirements are modified as follows:

- a. 3.29.02 Two satellite telephones are required. One must be permanently mounted, the other must be stored in a waterproof case in the Security Bag.
- b. 3.29.07 Replaced with: A personal AIS beacon for every crew member
- c. 3.29.9 Replaced with a permanently installed YB tracker with externally mounted antenna and wired to the boat's house battery banks. The YB tracker should remain powered with tracking always activated during racing.
- d. 3.29.11 Deleted, refer to Class rules
- e. 4.07.1.d Amended to: a high-intensity, heavy duty searchlight powered or recharged by the boat's batteries, instantly available for use on deck and in the cockpit
- f. 4.13.2 Amended: One depth sounder
- g. 5.08 Amended to: The boat shall have at least one diving suit to cover the entire body and including gloves, fins, and portable air supplies
- h. 605.1: Each member of the crew must hold an advanced medical first aid certificate.

The OA reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race if modifications prove necessary for the safety and or competitiveness of the race.

4.4 Ice and Exclusion Zones:

- a. The Organising Authority may establish exclusion zones for reasons of Ice, Traffic Separations, piracy, or other reasons to be determined by the Organizing Authority in the best interests of the safety of the competitors.
- b. The Organising Authority, in collaboration with the relevant authorities, will access the position of Ice Drifts and implement a procedure conducive to ensuring competitor safety. This may include but is not limited to an 'Ice Exclusion Zone' or 'Ice Gates'. Limits of any exclusion zone will be subject to change and be communicated through Sailing Instructions and other official channels before and during the race.
- c. The Organising Authority, in collaboration with the relevant authorities, will access the position of Marine Mammal Routes and implement a procedure conducive to ensure competitor and the Marine Mammal safety. This may include but is not limited to an 'Marine Mammal Exclusion Zone' or 'Marine Mammal Gates' or waypoint diversion. Limits of any exclusion zone will be subject to change and be communicated through Sailing Instructions and other official channels before and during the race.

- d. The coordinates of all prohibited areas such as Traffic Separation Systems will be included within the Sailing Instructions.

4.4 Legal Time:

The legal time shall be the given local time in any city in which The Race Around is present in. UTC will be used whilst competitors are at sea and for start, finish, and leg completion times.

4.5 Language:

The Official Language of The Race Around is English. Translation into French, of key documents, will be provided to competitors. Where translated documents are present the English text will take precedence. For Class40 Rules and FF Voile Regulations, the French text will take precedence.

5. Outside Assistance:

- a. Routing: Routing is prohibited in line with RRS 41 (Outside help) and the Class Rules. A sworn statement will be signed by all competitors at the finish of each leg.
- b. As per RRS 41 any outside assistance is prohibited while racing.
- c. During the race a boat may suspend racing to receive outside assistance. In order to suspend racing a boat must notify the OA of their intention to do so before proceeding to a port, anchorage or mooring approved by the OA.
- d. The OA must approve the position in which the boat suspends racing. The position must be documented by the crew and the OA. Once the position is approved a boat may use its engine or take on a tow to reach the approved port anchorage or mooring field.
- e. All repairs, equipment replacements and modifications must be approved by the OA. Boats must demonstrate seaworthiness before being allowed to restart the race. The OA reserves the right to deny approval for the boat to restart if safety concerns exist.
- f. A boat must restart the race from the position that racing was suspended. The OA may approve a boat to restart from an alternative position which may or may not incur a further time penalty
- g. A boat may not restart the race within 24 hours of suspending racing.

6. Sustainability and Governance

- a. The Race Around is committed to supporting sustainable development and to restoring the health of our oceans. All on water and on shore operations shall

comply with The Race Around's sustainability procedures. Such procedures will be provided in a sustainability requirement.

- b. All Participants, Crew and their Management shall follow the Team Sustainability Requirements which incorporates specific environmental pledges and commitments to sustainable boating.
- c. Failure to comply with the Sustainability Requirements may result in a financial or race penalties being levied by the Organising Authority.
- d. The Organising Authority reserves the right to install scientific equipment on board competing boats to aid with the collection of data relating to ocean health. Teams shall operate the scientific equipment as directed by the Organising Authority. In the interest of fairness, any scientific equipment will be carried by every competing team.

7. Branding and Advertising

In accordance with WORLD SAILING Regulation 20 (Advertising Code), as modified by the FF Voile's (French Sailing Federation) advertising regulation, boats will be required to display the advertising chosen and provided by the OA.

- a. Race logo: All boats entered shall sport the race logo on their mainsail within a circle whose diameter is no larger than 1.50 metres. The centre of this circle shall be positioned at one third of mast height above the deck. It is the skipper's responsibility to put in place the branding and ensure it is correctly adhered to until the end of the race.
- b. Race flags: Each boat entered in the race shall receive on its arrival two race flags, which shall be displayed in its rigging on each side of the boat when in port during the stopovers and at sea during the start and finish of each leg (30 miles out from the stopover port).
- c. Lifeline banner: Any boat participating in the race will receive two lifeline banners upon its arrival in the start city. The lifeline banners should be displayed from the day in which they're received. At sea, a competing boat will be required to display the banners during the starting sequence and for the first and last 30 miles of each leg.
- d. Forestay flags: Any boat registered for the race will receive sponsor flags which shall be displayed on the boat's forestay whilst at port, whilst approaching the starting area and at sea once it has crossed the finish line.
- e. Dock sail: A competitor may choose to display a sponsored dock or communications sail raised and hoisted aft of the mast whilst in port.

7.1 Branding on a competing boat must comply with French legislation prohibiting certain types of advertising including but not limited to, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, firearms and medication.

7.2 All branding and advertising on the competing boat must comply with the Organising Authority Branding & Advertising Guidelines as referenced in section 4.1m. Single-use plastic, even in the form of packing, is prohibited.

7.3 The Organising Authority reserves the right to prevent any team from displaying branding that might cause offence or bring The Race Around and its participants, officers, or partners into disrepute.

8. Eligibility:

8.1. Eligibility

The Race Around is an invitational event open to Class40 monohulls with both a valid measurement certificate and subscription to the Class membership in both 2023 and 2024.

The Organising Authority reserves the right to refuse an entry according to the terms stated in RRS 76.

8.2 Categories

The Race Around is to be raced in two categories: solo and double-handed.

8.3 Crew

The Solo category will be sailed with 1 (one) person on board.

The Double-Handed category will be sailed with 2 (two) persons on board.

8.3.1 Change of Crew

Within the Double-Handed category a change of one eligible crew member is permitted at each stopover with the prior written approval of the Organising Authority. Within the Solo category the same person must remain with the vessel for the duration of the race.

8.4 Age:

The Race Around is open to any persons over the age of 18 in the double-handed category and to any persons over the age of 21 in the solo category. Age is defined as age on the day of the first given start.

8.5 Competitors must provide the OA with the following:

- a. Proof of membership for a National Authority that is a member of World Sailing

- b. An in-date certificate showing the completion of a World Sailing approved 'Sea Survival Course' with a practical training component and Offshore First Aid Training Course. Note that The Race Around will facilitate the organisation of mandatory, event specific, safety courses.
- c. Valid third-party liability insurance for a minimum cover of 3-million Euros, see section 8.8 for further detail.

8.6 Medical Documents

Each crew member will ensure:

- a. That their personal physical condition aligns with the constraints of competing within The Race Around
- b. Total honesty regarding the knowledge of any pre-existing conditions

8.6.1 Each participant shall provide to the Race Doctor by June 1st, 2023

- a. The medical form supplied by the Organising Authority, completed, dated, and stamped/signed by the competitors' doctor and countersigned by the competitor themselves.
- b. The results of an Echocardiogram dating no more than one year prior to its submission
- c. The results of an Exercise Tolerance Test dating no more than one year from its submission

The absence or insufficiency of the requested information will result in the participant being ruled ineligible to race. These documents must be sent directly to the race doctor to preserve medical confidentiality. If the race doctor deems it necessary, the referring doctor may ask for additional examinations to assess the skipper's ability to participate in the event.

The Race Doctor must give medical approval for a participant to be eligible to race.

8.7 Passports and Visa

- a) It is the responsibility of each competitor that they have the required passport and visa documentation for the countries which may be visited during the event. This documentation must be valid for the duration of the leg and at least one month after the stopover in each country.

8.8 Insurance

- a. Owners, sponsors, or skippers of boats are personally responsible for all material damage and human accidents that may occur either to themselves, the boat(s), or to a third party or to the property of a third party. It is their responsibility to obtain adequate and proper insurance cover whether it be in relation to any injury, loss, damages or otherwise. It is also a requirement of each competitor to bring this 'Notice of Insurance' and any exclusions and indemnities to the attention of any third party whom they involve in any way in relation to The Race Around or events directly associated to The Race Around.
- b. It should be noted, the Skipper or Person in Control is responsible with regard to the Organising Authority, for taking out all necessary insurances (3 million EUR third party liability at a minimum) prior to a boats arrival to any event directly associated to The Race Around. Failure to provide the evidence required will result in a competitor being barred from entering any area specifically under the management of The Race Around or any third party associated to the event.
- c. The absence of third-party insurance will under no circumstances become the responsibility of the Organising Authority or its partners.

8.9 Class Measurement and Scrutineering:

- a. A valid Class Measurement Certificate must be provided to the Organising Authority upon confirmation of the participating vessel. Full Class membership is required for all competitors.
- b. Scrutineering shall be carried out at the start of the race and at the start and finish of each leg. Seals will be put in place as per the Class40 rules.
- c. The Organising Authority reserves the right to remeasure and inspect a vessel at any stage during the race.
- d. The Organising Authority reserves the right to inspect a vessel for environmental compliance.

8.10 Self-Righting Test:

All boats must complete a 180 Degree Self-Righting Test as per Offshore Special Regulations Category 0 – Monohull. The procedure is detailed in Appendix 1.

9. Inscription:

- a. It should be noted that an entry is considered official after the payment of both the race entry fee and the full deposit. A competitor wishing to enter The Race Around should first communicate with the OA (sam@theracearound.com) to receive a copy of the entry form and be given access to the 'Official Noticeboard'.

- b. Registration will be open upon the publication of this pre-Notice of Race. Registrations will close six months prior to The Race Around's given start date.
- c. The Race Around will hold until the 31st of March 2022 the following:
 - a. 15 spaces on the entry list for double-handed teams
 - b. 15 spaces on the entry list for solo teams
 - c. 5 spaces on the entry list for wild card entries of The Race Around's choosing.
- d. After the 31st of March 2022 all places on the entry list will be on a first come, first served basis allowing a class to be either greater than 15 entries but no less than 10 as stated in section 3.3.
- e. If the number of registrations exceeds the number of places available, a waiting list will be set up. The position on the waiting list will be confirmed following full payment of the refundable deposit. The Race entry fee will be payable upon a competitor moving from the waiting list and to the official entry list.

9.1 Deposit:

- a. Upon a competitor's application to race a deposit of €15,000 will be immediately payable to secure their position on the entry list. The IBAN details are available on request from sam@theracearound.com. Deposits will be kept in a secure deposit system and will be reimbursed in instalments to the bank account designated by the competitor.
- b. The first 5000€ will be returned upon the completion of the first offshore leg.
- c. The second 5000€ will be returned upon the completion of the second offshore leg.
- d. The final instalment of 5000€ will be returned upon having participated and attended the stipulated obligations as per the Official Calendar of Events.

Should a competitor withdraw themselves from the race prior to its start, refunds will be provided based upon the calendar below:

- In the event of a withdrawal after December 31st, 2021:
The sum of EUR 2,500 will be retained by the OA
- In the event of a withdrawal after June 30th, 2022:
The sum of EUR 7,500 will be retained by the OA
- In the event of a withdrawal after December 31st, 2022:
The sum of EUR 10,000 will be retained by the OA

- In the event of a withdrawal after June 30th, 2023:
The sum of EUR 15,000 will be retained by the OA.

9.2 Race Entry Fee:

- The Entry fee is set at €5,000 (excluding taxes) and increase to €7,500 from July 1st, 2022, and to €10,000 from January 1st, 2023.
- The Race Entry Fee is payable upon confirmation from the Organising Authority that your deposit has been received, all information requested is complete and your place on the entry list is confirmed.
- It should be noted that the race entry fee is non-refundable and cannot be reimbursed, including in the event of withdrawal or postponement of the race. The race entry fee will however be reimbursed if the race is cancelled.
- A competitor can seek to reclaim their entry fee by submitting a document detailing the commitments made to ensuring their campaign is as environmentally sustainable as possible prior to the race. The Race Around's Sustainability Director and Futures Program Lead will ultimately decide upon the reduction having reviewed evidence following the conclusion of the race. They retain the ability to remove the entire fee should they deem the commitment worthy.

10 Qualification and Selection:

10.1 Qualification for the solo category

- Each competitor registered must complete a qualifying race onboard the boat on which they are participating in The Race Around. This qualification will be determined with the agreement of the Organising Authority.
- If the competitor cannot make a qualifying race, they can propose an out-of-race qualification passage. The route, distance, date, and time of the departure must be approved by the Organising Authority.
- During the qualifying course the boat must be equipped with an approved and functional positioning beacon allowing both the Race and Event Director to monitor a vessels progress.
- Qualification must be completed before March 31st, 2023, unless special dispensation is granted by the Race or Event Director.
- In the event of a significant modification to the boat after its qualifying course, the Race Director may ask the competitor to complete a new qualifying course or request additional information ensuring that the participant and the boat are fit to participate in the race.

10.2 Qualification for the double-handed category:

- a. At least one of the two crew members must have completed a qualifying race on the Class40 calendar, or an equivalent race approved by the OA measuring no less than 1,500 nautical miles non-stop onboard the registered boat. This course must have been completed in the configuration in which the team intends to compete, i.e., double-handed.
- b. The co-skippers must either have completed the qualification requirements referred to in point 8.2a or have covered no less than 2000 miles during the two previous years in races run in Classe Mini, Classe Figaro or Class IMOCA, again in the configuration in which the team intends to compete.
- c. In the absence of qualification, additional crew may petition the Organising Authority for dispensation to race. Each petition will be supported by evidence of relevant experience and be reviewed and approved by the Race Director, Technical Director, Event Director and Managing Director.

10.3: Final Decision:

It remains at the sole discretion of The Race Around's Organising Authority to accept a competitor as 'qualified'. It also remains at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority to revoke a competitor's entry at any time.

11. Classification and Scoring:

Two categories, solo and double-handed will be scored separately

11.1 Scoring

- a. RRS Appendix A is modified so that the points are scored as defined in this section via a "High Point" scoring system.
- b. Individual leg scores will be based upon the number of entrants in each scoring category ("N") having met all the requirements set forth in this NOR at the start of leg one. First place in each leg will be awarded points equal to N and subsequent scores defined as follows:

Second Place: N minus 1

Third Place: N minus 2

Fourth Place: N minus 3

Each Subsequent Place: Subtract 1 point

- c. Each boat's series score shall be the sum of points earned in all offshore legs.
- d. If there is a series score tie between two or more boats, the tie shall be broken in accordance with RRS A8.1. If a tie remains, the tie shall be broken in accordance with RRS A8.2.
- e. Should a competitor finish outside of the prescribed time allowance for each specific leg they shall be scored as N minus the number of competing vessels +2. I.e., -2

12. Prizes

The Solo Class will compete for The Race Around Trophy. The trophy shall be awarded to the competitor with the highest total number of points scored after all legs, second place is the next highest and so on....

The Double-handed Class will compete for The Race Around Cup. The cup shall be awarded to the competitor with the highest total number of points scored after all legs, second place is the next highest and so on....

Additional prizes may be given for:

- a. Communication by the Skippers and Crew Members, and overall media output for each Leg and overall.
- b. The Boat that at the end of the Race has the highest number of In-Port Race points the In-Port Race series prize.
- c. The Boat that at the finish of each Leg has the longest great circle distance sailed in 24 hours for that Leg.
- d. The Boat that at the end of the Race had the longest Great Circle distance sailed in 24 hours during the Race.
- e. The team or crew member who has demonstrated willingness to compete in a sustainable way
- f. Other trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

Prize Money will be awarded to those competing. The total amount and distribution of these monetary awards will be confirmed as an appendix to the Notice of Race but the collective pot shall not total less than 50,000€.

13. Penalties:

- a. The penalty, if any, for an infringement of the sailing rules shall be at the sole discretion of the Jury and may be either disqualification, the deduction of race points, the imposing of time penalties or financial fines. This changes RRS 64.1.

- b. The Organising Authority may levy penalties against infringements to any of the documents stated under section 4.1. that have not previously been covered in 13a. These penalties may include disqualification, the deduction of race points, the imposing of time penalties or financial fines. The decision of the Organising Authority is final.

14. Tracking

14.1 The OA will provide each boat with a set of positioning and safety beacons:

- a. A fixed iridium beacon
- b. One positioning beacons independent of the battery

Competitors must return the positioning beacons to the OA before June 1st, 2024. A penalty of €500 will be retained in the event of failure to comply with this deadline.

All equipment will be installed on board each boat upon its arrival to the start city by the OA.

14.2 Use of boat Equipment

In addition to the positioning beacons provided by the OA, the onboard Sat-C or built in YB, provided for by the Class rules must allow for the OA or its service providers to carry out regular position checks if required. They must remain permanently on one week before departure.

14.3 Personal Positioning Beacons

It will be up to each Team Manager to inform the Race Director if they have installed and activated a positioning beacon on the competing boat during the race.

In the event of a failure to one of the positioning beacons installed by the Organiser, the Team Manager will be asked to provide regular position reports to Race Direction or provide them with a direct internet link to view the position.

15. Obligations and Responsibilities

Competitors participate in The Race Around at their own risk. They fully accept that choosing to do so is their own responsibility and only they are able to decide whether or not to compete in the event. While the Organising Authority will provide competitors with information, such as weather forecasts prior to a start, it must be understood that it remains up to a competitor to analyse the information and make their own decision, without the Organising Authority being accountable. It remains the responsibility of a competitor(s) to ensure their safety whilst onboard their respective vessels whilst at sea alongside ensuring their conduct whilst on land is acceptable.

The responsibility of the Organising Authority and its partners is limited to ensuring the running of a multi-staged, west to east circumnavigation of the globe. Any further responsibility that the Organising Authority may agree would have to be contractual and explicit. Further to this, scrutineering undertaken by Race Officials, are for the sole purpose of ensuring that a competitor and their vessel confirm with the rules as set out within this Notice of Race.

All competitors are reminded of RRS 1.1: All vessels are compelled to offer all possible assistance to any other vessel or person in danger, should they be in a position to do so, in accordance with rule 1.1 and International Maritime law. Should a request be made, a competitor should inform Race Management of the situation, redress can and will be provided should the International Jury deem it necessary.

It remains an obligation that the competitors shall be present at official race events. A full calendar will be provided as an appendix to the Notice of Race six months prior to a given start. The events will include, but is not limited to:

At Official Briefings
At Official Hospitality Events
At press conferences
At school visits or 'Kids Days'
At Official Prize Ceremonies

16. Use of Rights

- a) The owner or user of the boat and any possible sponsor, by the sole fact of their participation, agree that the Organising Authority and its commercial partners can use, for promotional or commercial purposes, any text, photo or video footage relating to their participation in The Race Around in perpetuity. Use extends to but is not limited to, the press, television, and internet broadcast.
- b) The Race Around name, rights to the brand and logo are under the sole ownership of the partnership between 5 Oceans Sports Marketing Limited and Manuka Sports Event Management LLC. Upon a provisional entry to The Race Around, competitors may use the designation 'Provisional Competitor in The Race Around' and have access to create joint logos. Further information will be distributed as part of the Race Around's Branding and Communication guidelines.

17. Disclaimer of Liability:

Competitors participate in The Race Around entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers including 5 Oceans Sports Marketing, Manuka Sports Event Management, Class40, FF Voile, Race Committee, Sponsors, Volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation before and during this event in both on the water and shore side activities to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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Appendix 1 Self-righting Test

Boats entering the Race Around must demonstrate that they can be righted from an inverted position and remain or be made watertight while inverted.

The 180-degree self-righting test may be conducted with the rig un-stepped at the competitor's discretion.

The assistance of a crane is permitted to invert the boat. The crane must be disconnected from the boat once the boat is inverted.

Once the boat is inverted it must be righted within 40 minutes.

Tag lines attached to the bow and stern may be used to control the boats position during the test.

The test must be documented with a fixed video camera inside the main cabin. The Crew must be inside the boat for the test.

A race official must be present to observe the test.

Once the boat is inverted it must be demonstrated that the main cabin can be made watertight. It must also demonstrate that water can be evacuated from the cabin while in the inverted position.

Permanently installed heavy equipment must be onboard and permanently installed for the test including: Batteries, fuel tanks, water tanks, anchors and chain. All fluids must be drained from the vessel prior to the test to ensure no environmental impact of any harmful liquids due to spillage.

The boat must be righted without assistance with only the equipment onboard while the crew remain inside the boat.

Appendix 2:

Annexe 2: SAILS

2.1 On-board sails: the total number of on-board sails for each leg is limited to 10.

These include:

- The maximum 8 sails provided by Class 103.1 rule including the following compulsory sails: 1 Mainsail, 1 Solent, 1 heavy weather jib, 1 storm jib and 1 storm trysail if the Mainsail does not have its luff reduced by more than 70% at low reef.
- A spinnaker under compulsory seal usable after agreement of the race direction and resulting in a penalty.
- A small heavy weather jib and a surface of maximum 22 m²; the material of this jib is at your discretion.

2.2. Spare sails:

3 sails for the entire duration of the event may be changed without penalty at the stages with the exception of the mainsail.




In the event of total loss or destruction of the mainsail noted by the jury, a new mainsail may be taken on board subject to a penalty.

The list of sails on board must be declared before the start of each leg.

The different penalties will be fixed in the Sailing Race Instructions.

Appendix 3:

Overall Routing -

The Race Around: Course Overview

Conducted by Great Circle using the polars of a mid fleet Class40

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	Leg				Avg speed				Bestsail		
	Start	Finish	Start date	Distance	8	9	10		Duo	Solo	
1	France	Cape Town	Sunday, 24 September 2023	6750	843.75	750.00	675.00		8.37	7.87	Kts (average)
					35.16	31.25	28.13		806.7	856.71	Hours
					29/10	25/10	22/10		33.61	35.69	Days
									27-Oct	29-Oct	Finish date
									6742.18	6736.62	n.m. Sailed
2	Cape Town	New Zealand	Sunday, 19 November 2023	7570	946.25	841.11	757.00		10.9	10.3	Kts (average)
					39.43	35.05	31.54		696.62	736.53	Hours
					28/12	24/12	20/12		29.02	30.68	Days
									18-Dec	19-Dec	Finish date
									7567.23	7562.33	n.m. Sailed
3	New Zealand	Brazil	Sunday, 21 January 2024	7250	906.25	805.56	725.00		10.56	9.96	Kts (average)
					37.76	33.56	30.21		685.75	728.55	Hours
					26-Feb	22-Feb	19-Feb		28.57	30.35	Days
									18-Feb	20-Feb	Finish date
									7221.91	7243.22	n.m. Sailed
4	Brazil	France	Sunday, 17 March 2024	4775	596.88	530.56	477.50		9.05	8.54	Kts (average)
					24.87	22.11	19.90		580.89	614.46	Hours
					10-Apr	07-Apr	04-Apr		24.2	25.6	Days
									09-Apr-2024	10-Apr-2024	Final Finish date
									4777.86	4764.69	n.m. Sailed

*The Organising Authority retains the right to amend both the course and dates

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