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LIGHT VESSEL RACE 2018

30th June and 1st July JUNE 2018

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY:

The Light Vessel Race 2018 will be organised by the Royal Belgian Sailing Club vzw.

LOCATION: Royal Belgian Sailing Club

Rederskaai, 1
8380 Zeebrugge
Belgium

QUALIFICATION:

The Light Vessel Race 2018 qualifies for the Open North Sea Championship 2018.

1.RULES:

- 1.1 The Light Vessel Race 2018 will be governed by:
 - The International Racing Rules of the I.S.A.F and the prescriptions of the FRBY – KBYV
 - The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Cat 4
 - The IRC Regulations for yachts competing in the IRC class.
 - The CR Regulations for yachts competing in the CR class.
 - The Open North Sea Championship 2018 General Sailing Instructions
 - The Notices of Race.
 - The Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 All yachts must carry a sail number corresponding with the one of her measurement certificate and according to RRS 77. This is a warning as mentioned in RRS G4. Belgian yachts participating in a regatta must carry a sail number issued by the FRYB-KBYV.
- 1.3 Between sunset and sunrise, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) will replace the ISAF Rules.
- 1.4 When encountering other shipping than racing yachts, the IRPCS or the local rules shall be complied with.
In case of conflict between languages the English text will prevail.

2.ADVERTISING:

The event shall rank as category "C. The flag of the main sponsor shall be prominently displayed from a backstay, according to Appendix 1 section 20.3.2. (b).

3.ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES:

The Light Vessel Race 2018 is open to: -all IRC measured yachts with a valid measurement certificate
 -all CR measured yachts with a valid measurement certificate

Entries shall only be made on the official <http://www.lightvesselrace.be/registration> website by completing the entry form. Entries shall be received before 25TH JUNE 2018, 70,00€ for IRC and CR boats. Late entries (after the 25TH JUNE deadline) may be accepted at the discretion of the ₁





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organising authority. Registration is only valid after a completely filled out registration form and all fees have been received by the organising authority. The Regatta Office in Zeebrugge will be open on Friday 29th June 2018 from 10.00hrs. to 17.00hrs., and Saturday 30th June from 08.30hrs to 10.00hrs.

For any further information:

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8380 Zeebrugge

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Phone: +32 50 54 49 03

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4.EVENT FEES:

70,00 € /IRC and CR boats.

The entry fee for the IRC and CR, includes the regatta and a breakfast per participant on Sunday morning. Payments of the entry fee must be done online via our website <http://www.lightvesselrace.be/registration>

Reservation for the dinner (30€ pp) can be done via our bank account.

Bank name:

FORTIS BANK

Account name: Royal Belgian Sailing Club

BIC : GEBABEBB

IBAN: BE 75 2900 5393 5051

Please state: Name skipper, event, name boat, number of persons

ALL BANK COSTS AT CHARGE OF THE PARTICIPATING CREW

5.SCHEDULE OF RACES AND ON SITE REGISTRATION:

Light Vessel Race 2018		
Date	Time	Event
29 th June Friday	10:00-17:00	Registration for the CR and IRC class at the RBSC harbour master office in Zeebrugge.
30 th June Saturday	08:30-09:30 10:55 19:00	Registration for the CR and IRC class at the harbour master office. Warning Signal 1 st race of the day. Starting groups : IRC 1 - 2 (TCC ≥ 1,000) IRC 3 (TCC < 1,000) CR 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 The warning signal for each succeeding race in IRC class will be made as soon as practicable. Diner participants in clubhouse Alberta
1 st July Sunday	08:30-09:30	Breakfast at the harbour master office

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	10:55	Warning Signal 1 st race of the day. Starting groups : IRC 1 - 2 (TCC ≥ 1,000) IRC 3 (TCC < 1,000) CR 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 The warning signal for each succeeding race in IRC class will be made as soon as practicable. No first warning signal will be made for the IRC class after 15:30 unless a general recall has been made.
	+ -18:00	Prize giving in clubhouse Alberta

6. MEASUREMENTS :

Each competitor in the IRC and CR class shall present a valid measurement certificate on the first day of his onsite registration. To prevent any dispute, no **fundamental** measurement need to be carried out on the spot. Any boat or equipment may be inspected for **compliance with the class rules and the sailing instructions** at any time. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for measurements checks.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

The Sailing Instructions will be available on our website www.lightvesselrace.be from 1st June 2018.

8. VENUE:

The Light Vessel Race 2018 will be held at the North Sea in front of the Beach Club Duinbergen / Knokke-Heist Belgium, or along the coast of Belgium when coastal races.

9. COURSES AND COMPETITION FORMAT:

The event shall use:

For the IRC class:

Windward/ leeward courses and Inshore Races on Saturday and Sunday. In case of strong wind conditions on Saturday or Sunday the Windward-leeward courses can be replaced by only "Inshore Races"

For the CR class:

Two "Inshore races" are foreseen, one on Saturday and one on Sunday except when races have been postponed from the previous day in which case additional coastal races may be sailed.

A separated start is foreseen for de IRC and CR class

The rating bands and class flags for the IRC class will be as defined in the ONZK GSI 2018:

IRC 1 (TCC ≥ 1,045)	White Class Flag
IRC 2 (1,000 ≤ TCC < 1,045)	Yellow Class Flag
IRC 3 (TCC < 1,000)	Blue Class Flag

The white, yellow and blue class flags for the IRC classes will be available at the race office.

The rating bands and class flags for the CR class will be as defined in the CR Rules 2018:

CR 1&2 (BA RAT > 27,5)	IC "W" Class Flag
CR 3&4 (BA RAT ≤ 27,5 >22,3)	IC "K" Class Flag
CR 5&6 (BA RAT ≤ 22,3)	IC "U" Class Flag

In case of insufficient entries classes may be combined

10. PENALTY SYSTEM:

10.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that a boat may take only a one turn penalty, including one tack and one gybe, 3





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when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing.

10.2 RRS 42.1 will be applied.

As foreseen in the Fundamental Rule of the ISAF (assistance) or to recover a person who fell overboard, the RRS 42.3 (f) (propulsion) allows to use the engine or other means of propulsion. Such an incident must be declared at the finish of the race and shall be reported on the race declaration.

In case of unforeseen circumstances, a yacht may be in a position whereby she is bound to use the engine or other means of propulsion, so as not to infringe the International Regulations For Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCS) or the governing right-of-way rules applicable to the area. Such an incident must be reported on the race declaration. In this case, the Jury may announce a disqualification if it is convinced that the involved yacht gained a significant advantage.

11. SCORING SYSTEM:

The ranking of the Light Vessel Race 2018 will be as follows:

For the IRC class:

The Light Vessel Race will be scored as provided in Appendix A of RSS ISAF using the Low Point System. All races (windward/leeward and inshore races) will count for overall points with a factor 1,0. When 4 or more races have been completed, the worst score for these races will be discarded.

For the CR Class:

The Light Vessel Race will be scored as provided in Appendix A of RSS ISAF using the Low Point System. The two "inshore races" will count for overall points, there will be no discard.

12. PRIZES:

Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the organizers.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate 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 Light Vessel Race 2018. Any competitor under the age of 18 yrs will be required to obtain parental/guardian consent prior to commencement of the Light Vessel Race 2018.

14. INSURANCE:

Each participating boats shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of € 1.500.000,00€ or the equivalent.

15. RIGHT TO USE NAMES AND LIKENESS:

In sailing this 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 or still pictures, and live, taped or film television and any other reproductions of him/her during the period of the Light Vessel Race in which the competitor competes and in all material related to the Light Vessel Race without any compensation.

16. BERTHING FACILITIES

All boats officially registered and having paid their entry fee can have 7 days free berthing arrangements prior and after the Light Vessel Race 2018. The instructions of the harbour masters must be strictly followed.

Please contact the RBSC Zeebrugge harbour masters for reservation

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17. ACCOMODATION:

General information is available on the web page from the local tourist office www.brugge.be

Or Tourist Office Knokke: Zeedijk Knokke 660 B.8300 Knokke-Heist

Tel: +32 50 63 03 80 or +32 50 51 20 59 toerisme@knokke-heist.be

www.knokke-heist.be

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18.SIDE EVENT INFORMATION

Saturday 30th JUNE there will be a Diner and DJ organized at the Clubhouse Alberta. The Diner is not included in the entry fee. The price for the Diner is 30,00€ per person. Registration for the diner will be closed at 120 persons!

Reservation for the Diner must be done by mail at nathalie@rbsc.be or by phone (+32 50 54 49 03) no later than JUNE the 27th if the limit of 120 persons is not reached . Please consider our organization!

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**We wish you a successful Light Vessel Race 2018!
With many thanks to our sponsors!
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