

Aide Memoir for Governor's Cup 2010 contestants.

1. Communications / Information;

All communications, including the Notice of Race and Entry Form, will be made available on the F.B.Y.C. website www.fbyc.co.za

2. Offshore Certification;

Owners need to get their yachts certified to go offshore, **well in advance** of the event.

N.B. Allow at least 3 months to complete the process!!

The “going offshore” certification has to be done in terms of SAMSA (Government) regulations. If any last minute applications are received there is no guarantee that it will be settled in time for the race.

All “going foreign” information is available on the SAS website

www.sailing.org.za

The following fees will need to be paid to South African Sailing (SAS) prior to the inspection / survey;

- a) Safety inspection fee. The safety inspection cost is dependant on the length of each yacht. There could also be additional diving and travelling charges.
- b) South African Sailing (SAS) administration fee.(R400 for SAS members R500 for non members)
- c) S.A.M.S.A. registration fee (which SAS will pay to the S.A. Maritime Safety Ass.)
* These fees are all paid to SAS and will place your yacht on the SA Ships' Register for five (5) years (but annual safety inspections are still required) and certify you to “go foreign”, plus all the other benefits of being registered.

2.1 How to certify you and your yacht to “go foreign”

- a) Arrange with ICASA to have your EPIRB details included on your Radio Station Licence. Obtain an MMSI and send this with the Station Licence to the supplier of the EPIRB for programming. A programming certificate will be issued.
- b) Take digital photographs of your yacht – front, rear and side view, plus a picture looking down at the deck. One of the photos of the side of the yacht must display the name of the yacht clearly. Photographs can be delivered to SAS.
- c) Fill in all the required documentation – again, available on SAS / SAMSA website.
- d) Get certified copies of your ID or passport and a “Declaration of Ownership and Nationality” (certify at local police station).The original certified document must go to SAMSA.
- e) Get a builder's certificate – which must be completed by the builder of the yacht.

2.2 Submit the following documents to SAS;

- a) Application for registration.
- b) Radio Station Licence.
- c) Declaration of ownership and Nationality
- d) Certified copy of I.D. or passport.
- e) SAS certificate of yacht registration.
- f) Proof of ownership.

- g) Builder's certificate.
- h) Cheque to SAS (safety inspection, SAS admin fee, SAMSA fee)
- i) The completed survey report of deck and hull, must accompany the application.
- j) Certificate of fitness – issued by SAS
- k) Photos.

If you would like assistance please contact Robyn at 073 658 2259 or email at robyn@theafricas.net . She has been assisting yachties with “going foreign” for years and will do everything for you at a very reasonable cost.

2.3 Safety Inspection;

Arrange an inspection with a SAS inspector (see website for safety officers check list at www.sailing.org.za).

N.B. Confirm that the inspection officer is certified to do a “going offshore” inspection.

When the safety survey has been done, all documents have been completed and SAMSA has approved everything – you will be issued with an official number by SAMSA on a “Carving and Marking” note. This number must be engraved on a Plaque and the plaque is then affixed inside your yacht – where it cannot be removed.

3. IRC Rating;

For IRC rating (officially measured and weighed) please log your request with details of the yacht's name and registration details to SAS – **well in advance!**

4. SAS Yachtmaster Offshore / Coastal ticket;

Refer to the NOR for details. Obtain the above well in advance of the event.

5. Medical Insurance;

All competitors must be in possession of medical insurance, including emergency evacuation, in order to clear immigration when arriving on the island. Suzanne at AWS can assist you if need be. Contact Suzanne at 021 – 4251165.

6. Yachts returning on the RMS St. Helena;

Yachts which have been entered and which would like to return on the ship, the RMS, will be booked on a “first come, first served” basis. There is obviously a limited amount of space, so please book early. You could however, arrange for your yacht to come back without you, on a later trip. Please contact either Erika Spilhaus (race secretary) or go direct to Katherine at RNC Shipping at 021-5515130 or email katherine@rncships.com . There is a form which must be completed, requiring various details and measurements of your yacht.

Cradles and Container space;

You will need to book your cradle for shipping with Katherine (as above). The Organising Committee have provided a container for sailors' “bulky” items in the past. However this has often not been fully utilised. The committee have therefore decided that there will not be a container provided – unless there is sufficient call for it.

7. Island Accommodation and car hire;

- a) Passage for supporters travelling to and from St. Helena on the RMS St. Helena and for competitors returning on the RMS needs to be booked **well in advance!** Contact Suzanne at Andrew Weir Shipping at ph; 021 425 1165 or at email suzanne@sthelenaline.co.za . She will allocate berths on a “first come, first served” basis. There are limited berths available, so you need to book early.
 - b) St Helena will be busy at this time (just before Xmas) so if you will be needing accommodation on the island, then you need to contact their tourism office. You can contact Pam Young at director@tourism.gov.sh .
 - c) The island is quite small, but very steep. You might want to hire a car to get around. A reasonably priced hire car could be of great value and enhance your holiday. Contact the tourism office to book your car. See above for email.
- 8. South African passport holders do NOT need a visa to enter St. Helena!**

N.B. If you have any other queries, please call Erika Spilhaus at 071 383 1864 or Tel and fax 021 – 701 7026.