

World Sailing Nations Cup 2019

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<http://www.sailing.org/nationscup>

Section I – General

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be World Sailing and the Clubs / Member National Authorities of World Sailing as referred to in Section II and Section III of this Notice of Race (NoR).

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	San Francisco, CA, USA	9-14 April 2019	I, II, III

3 EVENT GRADING

The Grand Final will be a World Sailing Grade 1 event.

4 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

4.1 World Sailing Member National Authorities (MNAs) may nominate the winners of their latest match racing National Championship in the Open and Women's Division to be eligible for invitation to the Grand Final. The relevant MNA Match Racing National Championship shall be graded as Grade 3 or above and must have occurred in the period January 1 2016 to August 30 2018. These nominations shall be allocated to Regions and the MNA of the skipper with the highest ranking points by Region at August 30 2018 in each division shall be invited to the Grand Final. In addition, for the Europe Region, the MNA of the runner up skipper on ranking points in each Division, and from a different MNA to the highest ranking points skipper, will be invited to the Grand Final. Section III of this Notice of Race shows the MNA's allocation to Regions.

4.2 Remaining places for the Grand Final to be allocated on the basis of the highest ranked skippers across all Regions at August 30 2018 and who are nominated MNA National Champions from paragraph 4.1 above for the Open and Women's Division. These skippers will be invited to the Grand Final to represent their MNA.

World Sailing reserves the right to invite one team from an emerging Nation and one team from the 2018 World Sailing Youth Match Racing World Championship to represent their MNA as a wildcard in the Grand Final in each of the Open and Women's Division.

All allocations and invitations will may be made by World Sailing after consultation of the World Sailing Nations Cup Working Party.

4.3 **The closing date for MNAs to apply for a place at a Grand Final or to secure their place "as by right" under paragraph 4.1 is September 17, 2018 for all Regions (unless extended on specific request)**

After that date, an individual skipper from Nations whose MNA has not requested a place may apply to World Sailing or the OA of the Event Venue. These applications will be processed according to the number of places left at the Grand Final. Skippers will be ranked according to the World Sailing Match Racing Ranking List and will need the subsequent approval of World

Sailing, informing the relevant MNA's. The Grand Final venue will also have the responsibility of attracting entries with the support of World Sailing.

- 4.4 Ten (10) Open Division and ten (10) Women Division skippers will be invited to the Grand Final. Only skippers invited by World Sailing, after satisfying paragraph 4, will be eligible to enter the Grand Final.

To encourage mixed teams in the Open Division and increase participation if fewer than 10 Women Division skippers accept invitations, World Sailing reserves the right to increase invitations to the Open Division skippers subject to a maximum of 20 skippers being invited between the Open and Women's Divisions.

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

The MNA of the skippers currently holding the Nations Cup ('the defending Nation') in each Division will be invited to the Grand Final, and

The host MNA and the MNAs of the skippers currently holding the Nations Cup in each Division are eligible to participate in the nomination by MNAs in paragraph 4.1.

Any further places still to be filled for the Grand Final will be decided at the sole discretion of World Sailing after consultation of the World Sailing Nations Cup Working Party.

- 4.5 If an MNA earns an entry to the Grand Final by nomination in paragraph 4.1, they may substitute the skipper who competed, but must notify World Sailing one (1) calendar month before the Grand Final.
- 4.6 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.
- 4.7 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.
- 4.8 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 4.9 All competitors shall meet the eligibility and nationality requirements of World Sailing Regulation 19
- 4.10 All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor Skippers and crew shall inform the OA of their World Sailing 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.

5.2 Entry Fee

A non-refundable entry fee shall be paid as specified.

5.3 **Withdrawal**

When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their Ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

5.4 **Damage deposit**

The damage deposit will be specified in Section II.

5.5 **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 2017-2020, 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.
- 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 RRS C8.6 and C6.3 may be changed in the sailing instructions.
- 6.4 An International Jury (IJ) will be appointed, approved by the relevant national authority if required, in accordance with RRS Appendix N.

7 ADVERTISING

- (a) World Sailing Regulation 20.4 applies as boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA. The Advertising and Sponsorship clause of the Event Description and Bidding Information document shall apply.
- (b) Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the Organising Authority.
- (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 100x70 cm for display from the stern of the boat.

Each team is requested to provide their national anthem on a USB drive.

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

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

12 OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Further information will be found on the World Sailing website <http://www.sailing.org/nationscup>

Section II – Grand Final

San Francisco, California, USA

9 – 14 April 2019

1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) is World Sailing in conjunction with the St Francis Yacht Club and US Sailing.

2 VENUE

The venue will be the St Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco.

3 PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

The provisional programme will be announced in due course. Practice day April 9, Racing days April 10-14, 2019

4 ENTRIES

4.1 The Entry fee will be USD 750 net payable at 30 days before the event or by prior agreement at registration. This comprises of USD 1000 less a subsidy of USD 250 provided by the St Francis Sailing Foundation.

4.2 Damage deposit

- (a) An initial damage deposit of USD 1500 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) 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 for the Open Division and 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 and may be Mixed for the Open Division.
- (b) The maximum total crew weight determined prior to racing (when wearing at least shorts and shirts) shall be 350 kg for the Open Division and 272 kg for the Women's Division.

- (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 in groups
 - 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 finishing downwind.
- (b) The intended course area will be the adjacent waters in San Francisco Bay.

9 PRIZES

- (a) The principal prize for first place in each Division will be the World Sailing Nations Cup.
- (b) World Sailing Medals in Gold, Silver and Bronze for the teams finishing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each division.
- (c) World Sailing has been notified of these Prizes.
- (d) The OA, after consultation with World Sailing 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, contact **Graham Biehl, Race Coordinator, St. Francis Yacht Club:**
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Section III – Allocation of Entries

World Sailing allocated MNA's to the following Regions:

OPEN DIVISION & WOMEN'S DIVISION

Africa	Asia	Europe	North America & Caribbean	Oceania	South America	
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	PAR
LBA	IND	CYP	FIN	BER	JPN **	PER
MAD	KAZ	ESP	GBR	BVI	KOR **	URU
MAR	KGZ	FRA	GER	CAN	MAS	VEN
MRI	KSA	GEO	HUN	CAY	NZL	
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 Region instead of Oceania**

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INVITE REQUEST FORM

Member National Authority

World Sailing Group

Continent/Region

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We herewith apply for an invitation for the World Sailing Nations Cup 2019 as per Notice of Race 4.1.
We intend to enter the following skippers:

Open Division

O Yes / O No

Skipper (No 1 preference)

World Sailing Sailor ID

Email address

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Or

Skipper (No 2 preference)

World Sailing Sailor ID

Email address

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Women's Division

O Yes / O No

Skipper (No 1 preference)

World Sailing Sailor ID

Email address

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Or

Skipper (No 2 preference)

World Sailing Sailor ID

Email address

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Signature

Date

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As soon as possible before the deadline, please return the completed and signed form to: **Madeleine Dunn at World Sailing via madeleine.dunn@sailing.org and listing subject "Nations Cup 2019".**

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