



**Fireball World Championships
incorporating the RSA National and
Open Championships 2016
4th December - 16th December 2016**

Sanctioned 4 May 2016

Venue

Mossel Bay Yacht and Boat Club

Mossel Bay South Africa

Organising Authority

Fireball International

Host

Fireball South Africa

Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2013 - 2016

1.2 The prescriptions of the South African National Authority will not apply.

1.3 Pre event equipment inspection will apply.

1.4 Rule 20.8 of the class rules is changed as follows:

Subject to the approval of the Race Committee, a boat chartered or loaned for the events may declare at the time of entry or registration a sail number which may be different from the registered number of the hull provided that the number declared shall not be the sail number of any other boat competing in the regatta.

1.5 Rule 23 the class rules 'Limitations of Equipment' will apply.

1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.7 RRS 42 is changed to add new rule, RRS 42.3(j):

42.3(j) When at the sole discretion of the Race Officer and as measured by the Race Officer on the Committee boat, the wind speed is over 12 knots, the Race Committee may signal in accordance with RRS Appendix P5 that pumping, rocking and ooching are permitted after the starting signal. This changes RRS 42.2(a), 42.2 (b) and 42.2(c). "

1.8 The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules

2 IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display identification numbers and event sponsor advertising in compliance with ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.1.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 All competitors shall comply with RRS 75. The regatta is open to boats of the International Fireball Class whose helmsman and crew are members of a National Fireball Class Association recognized by Fireball International or Fireball International if there is no NCA in the boat's country.

3.2 For the SA National and Open Championships:

These events will run concurrently in accordance with the schedule of events utilizing a single start and common course. In each race finishing positions will be recorded as for a single fleet. Boats will score the points attributable to their finishing position for the event(s) for which they are eligible.

RSA National Championship – the RSA National championship is open to any helm and crew who are members of the South African Fireball Association

Open Championship – The Open Championship is open to any helm and crew who are members of Fireball International or a Fireball Class Association recognised by Fireball International, including the South African Fireball Association.

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the attached entry form and sending it, together with proof of payment of the required fee to:

PO Box 82

Knysna

South Africa

6570

sailing@fireballworlds2016.co.za

3.4 Entries for the SA National and Open Championships will be accepted up to 17h00 on Sunday 4th December 2016

Entries for the World Championships will be accepted up to 17h00 on Saturday 10th December 2016

3.5 A boat is not registered until:

- A regatta fee has been paid
- Class association membership has been confirmed
- The competitor has declared they have valid third party insurance
- A valid measurement certificate has been presented
- All measurement checks have been positively completed.

3.3 Classic Boats

Classic Boats will be determined during the equipment inspection procedure. A list of sail numbers will be published and displayed on the official notice board prior to the first race of the World Championship.

4 FEES

4.1 The required fees in ZAR are as follows:

Event	Before 17h00 on 4 September 2016	Before 17:00 on 4 December 2016	Before 17:00 on 10 December 2016
World Championships and RSA National / Open Championships	R 9000.00	R10000.00	
RSA National / Open Championships only	R3000.00	R5000.00	
World Championships only	R7000.00	R8000.00	R9000.00

FOR ELECTRONIC PAYMENT OF ENTRIES:

Bank: Investec Bank Ltd

Account name: SA Fireball Worlds Sailing Association

Account number (to be used when paying from a foreign bank account): 1100201586065

Account number (to be used when paying from a South African / local bank account): 50010204765

Branch code: 580105

Address: 100 Grayston Drive, Sandown, Sandton, JHB, 2196

Swift: IVESZAJJ

Reference for all payments: Skipper surname + boatnumber

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 RSA National Championships and Open Championships 4th December- 9th December 2016

Day	Date	Time	Activity
Saturday	03 December	14:00 – 18:00	Race Office open
Sunday	04 December	09:00 -18:00	Registration & Measurement
Monday	05 December	09:00 – 18:00	Registration & Measurement,
Monday	05 December	18:00	Welcome and opening ceremony
Tuesday	06 December	11:55 warning	Two Races
Wednesday	07 December	11:55 warning	Two Races
Thursday	08 December	11:55 warning	Two Races
Friday	09 December	11:55 warning	Two Races, Prize Giving

Day	Date	Time	Activity
Saturday	10 December	09:00 - 18:00	Registration & Measurement
Sunday	11 December	09:30 12:55 warning	Opening Ceremony Two Races
Monday	12 December	11:55 warning	Two Races
Tuesday	13 December	11:55 warning	Two Races
Wednesday	14 December	11:55 warning	Lay Day
Thursday	15 December	11:55 warning	Two Races
Friday	16 December	11:55 warning 19:00	Two Races Prize Giving

5.3 The numbers of races scheduled are as follows:

RSA National / Open Championships Number of Races: 6 (2 per day)

World Championship Number of Races: 10 (2 per day)

Races will be sailed back to back

5.4 One extra race per day may be sailed if races are not completed as scheduled.

5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the RSA National and Open Championships is 11.55, Tuesday 6th December 2016.

The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the World Championship is 12.55, 11th December 2016.

5.6 For the South African and Open Championship no warning signal shall be made after 15.00 hrs on 9th December 2016.

For the World Championship no warning signal will be made after 15.00hrs on 16th December 2016.

5.7 Wednesday 14 December is scheduled as a Lay day, but may become a racing day should the Principal Race Officer deem it necessary, in order to complete a satisfactory number of races for the Championship.

5.8 Races will be numbered in the order in which they are completed.

5.9 Those competitors entering only the World Championship will not be permitted to race in the RSA National and Open Championship and are requested to keep clear of the racing area at all times that racing is occurring in that Championship.

6 Measurement and Equipment Inspection

Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate. All boats and equipment shall be presented for pre-event inspection according to the Equipment Inspection Instructions, which will be a part of the Sailing Instructions. Random inspection checks will be carried out during the event.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 09:00 on 4th December 2016 at registration in the Regatta Office.

8 VENUE

8.1 Mossel Bay Yacht and Boat Club, Mossel Bay, Western Cape, South Africa.

8.2 Internet Website www.fireballworlds2016.co.za shows the location of the regatta centre and the racing area.

9 THE COURSE

The courses to be sailed will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

10 INTERNATIONAL JURY

An International Jury in accordance with RRS Appendix N will be appointed by Fireball International. Its decisions will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

11 SCORING OF EACH EVENT

11.1 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

- (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When from 5 to 8 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 9 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

12 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall register at the race office. All registered support boats will carry identification as required by the Organising Authority and shall comply with support boat regulations posted on the noticeboard.

13 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned place in the dinghy park.

14 RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

By participating in these Championships a competitor automatically grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him or her during the period of the competition, without compensation.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency no boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

16 PRIZES

16.1 RSA Nationals and Open Championships

Prizes will be awarded to the first 4 boats in the RSA Nationals and Open Championships. RSA National trophies will be awarded as follows:

National Champion

Champion Crew

First Lady

First Junior

First Narrow Hull

16.2 World Championship

Class Prizes will be given as follows:

Race 1 Moore Trophy

Race 2 Rondar Cup

Race 3 Volvo Trophy

Race 4 Certina Trophy

Race 5 Mildara Wines Trophy

Race 6 Bell Bowl

Race 7	Sponsor Trophy
Race 8	RVYC Trophy
Race 9	Safaricom Kenya Trophy
Race 10	P & B Trophy
Overall Classic Boat	Classic Boat Trophy
First Lady helm	Thelassa Trophy
Perseverance	Geest Trophy
Under 25	TBA
Overall Crew	Humbolt Trophy
Overall Fireball Worlds	Worlds Trophy

16.3 Prizes will be awarded to the first 10% + 1 boats in the WorldChampionship. Other prizes may be awarded

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 The competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else reduces this responsibility.

17.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The South African Sailing, Organizing Authority, Mossel Bay Yacht and Boat Club, International Jury, Principle Race Officer, Support Boat Crews and Beach Master and all others working on behalf of the Championship will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to during, or after the regatta.

18 RISK STATEMENT

Rule 4 of the Racing Rules of Sailing states that; "the responsibility for a boat's decision to race or to continue racing is hers alone"

Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently 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 their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
- (b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and any other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to extent caused by their own actions or omission;
- (d) Their 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, rescue boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
- (f) The provision of rescue boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

19 USE OF ELECTRONIC VIDEO RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Competitors are permitted to use electronic video recording equipment whilst racing, provided that there is no output during racing. This modifies International Fireball Class Rule * in accordance with RRS 87. Output will not be admissible as evidence during any protest or redress hearing.

20 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of R 3 million.

Signing the Entry and Indemnity Form shall confirm that the boat has such cover.

21 CONTAINERS

Container placement will be in the grounds or close to the Mossel Bay Yacht and Boat Club and will be relatively easily accessible throughout the regatta.

For shipping details please contact:

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22.0 ACCOMMODATION

A wide range of accommodation is available nearby. Check the following website:

www.fireballworlds2016.co.za

23.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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