

### 2021 49er, 49erFX & Nacra17 World Championships

16 – 21 NOVEMBER 2021 Mussanah, OMAN





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### Oman At A Glance

Perched on the southeast coast of the Arabian Peninsula and located within a 7-hour flight of 50% of the world, the Sultanate of Oman is easily accessible. All international participants will need to fly to Muscat International Airport, which is located in the north west of the city and approximately 100 km from Al Mussanah Sports City.



#### Safety

In 2020 Oman was ranked the 5th safest country in the world for visitors. Known for the incredible hospitality of the Omani people, all visitors are welcomed with open arms for an experience you will never forget.



#### Weather

Oman is known for its tropical climate whilst still subject to seasonal changes. From October through to April, the Sultanate offers a lovely climate, with an average temperature of 23°C.

#### Currency

Omani Rials and Omani Baisas (1000 baisas equals 1 Omani Rial) 1 OMR = \$2.6 USD. The currency is pegged to the USD, offering a stable exchange rate. Currency exchange services are available at the Muscat International Airport and currency exchange bureaus are present in most shopping malls and hotels.



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#### Language

Arabic is the national language of Oman and typically what you will hear spoken most often. However, English is the unofficial second language of Oman and if you are staying in any of the major cities or even venturing out into rural areas, you are likely to encounter many English-speaking locals.



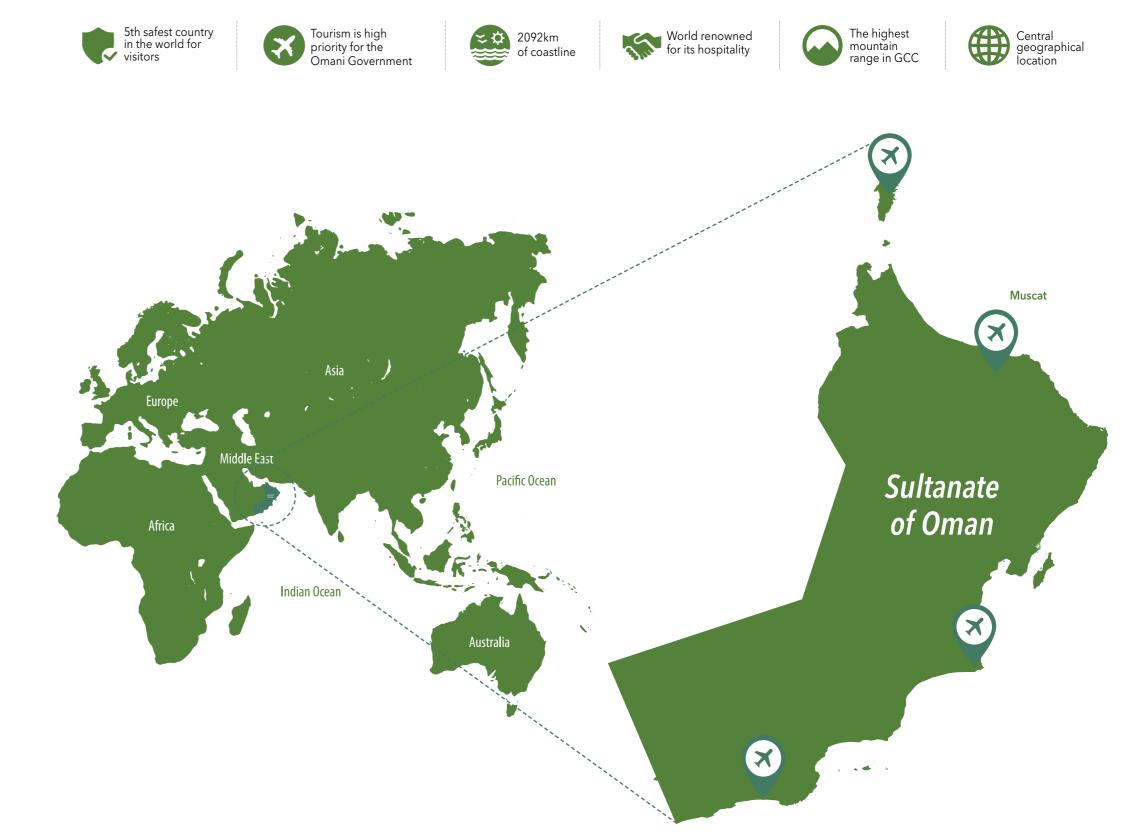
Internationally accepted sailing attire can be worn around the venue and event hotel. When exploring the beauty of Oman outside the hotel, men and women are advised to dress in conservative western clothing. Loose clothing, with arms and shoulders covered, is recommended for women. Skirts, if worn, should reach at least beneath the knee.



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#### Communication

Free wifi will be available for sailors, families and supporters at the event hotel and at the marina/boat park. International roaming is available and VPN is required to be installed for using international application such as skype, WhatsApp call, etc.



### Event Programme

Date	Day	Time	Event	Date	Day	Time	Event
1st November			Venue opens, all containers are placed		ember Wednesday	0800 - 1800	Race Office Opening
	Monday			17th November		0900 - 1000	Coach Briefing
			ready for teams to access	Event		1100 - 1700	Qualifying Series Races
4th - 11th November	Thursday - Thursday		Transfers from Muscat International 4 Hours Airport to Mussanah Millenium Hotel can be		Thursday	0800 - 1800	Race Office Opening
		24 Hours		18th November		0900 - 1000	Coach Briefing
		21110013	arranged by confirming 7 days in advance with hotel	Event		1100 - 1700	Qualifying Series Races
12th November Event Starts	Friday			19th November	Friday	0800 - 1800	Race Office Opening
		24 Hours	Transfers from Muscat International Airport to Mussanah	Event		0900 - 1000 1100 - 1700	Coach Briefing Final Series Races
			Millenium Hotel		-	1830 - 2100	Arabic Night (Traditional activities follwed by Omani Food
		1800 - 0900	Registration begins & Nacra Inspection			1800 - 0800	Race Office Opening
13th November Event	Saturday			20th November Saterday	Saterday	1000 - 0900	Coach Briefing
		24 Hours	Transfers from Muscat International Airport to Mussanah Millenium Hotel		,	1100 - 1700	Final Series Races
		1800 - 0900	Registration begins & equipment Inspection			0800 - 1800	Race Office Opening
		1900	Nacra 17 Class Open Forum Nacra 17 AGM			0900 - 1000	Coach Briefing
14th November Event	Sunday	2000		21st November Final Day	Sunday	1000 - 1500	Final Series Races/Medal Races
		24 Hours	Transfers from Muscat International Airport to		Sunday	1800 - 1830	Closing Ceremony/Prize Giving
			Mussanah Millenium Hotel			+ 1830	Transfers from Mussanah Millenium Hotel to Muscat
		1800 - 0900	Registration & Inspection				International Airport
		1900 2000	49er Class Open Forum 49er AGM				
		2000		22nd November	Monday	Every 4 hours From midnight	Transfers from Mussanah Millenium Hotel to Muscat
15th November Event	Monday	1800 - 0800	Race Office Opening	Departures	-	From midnight	International Airport
		1100 - 0900	Registration & Inspection				
		1600 - 1200	Practice Race	23rd November Tur Departures	Tuesday	Every 4 hours From midnight	Transfers from Mussanah Millenium Hotel to Muscat
		1845 - 1800	Opening Ceremoney			From midnight	International Airport
							Closing all containers
	Tuesday	1800 - 0800	Race Office Opening	24th - 26th November Departures	Wednesday - Friday		
oth November		1000 - 0900	Coach Briefing			0600 - 1200	
ent		1100 - 1700	Qualifying Series Races				Departure all containers

### **Venue** Location & Descriptions

### Accommodation

The international hotel chain Millennium operates on site at the sports city. The hotel has 320 rooms alongside a range of restaurants and sports and leisure facilities. This 4star hotel is being proposed to accommodate everyone involved in the regatta, from participants and their team leaders, to coaches and event staff.

Rooms will be offered to all people affiliated with regatta at the hotel within the Al Mussanah Sports City. Accommodation is 85 Euros per night per person on a half board shared basis.

Hotels Added Values:

- Complimentary tea/coffee making facilities in the rooms. Complimentary mineral water in the rooms.
- Free WI-FI in the rooms and lobby. Free water park and zipline access.

#### **Registration Link**

https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/bookings/?hotelcode=13608&checkin=2021-10-01&checkout=2021-10-02&discountcode=&groupcode=&9E RMRMO&adults=2&children=0&rooms=1&AAA=false&AARP=false&GOV=false&Accessible=false&viewrates=Rooms

Booking code: 49ERMRMO For bookings, please contact:+968 26871519/26871520 or WhatsApp: 00968 7155 5427 Reservations.reservations.mrmo@millenniumhotels.com

Rate validity period : 1st Oct 2021 - 30 Nov 2021



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https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1h6bP8l7jsjS8LOgp1Ee346jgl E&ie=UTF8&t=m&oe=UTF8&msa=0&ll=23.804743%2C57.56698599999998z=17

### Food & Beverages

Breakfast and dinner will be served at the Al Maydan restaurant in the Millennium Hotel. Buffet Lunch in hotel will be available at 10 euro and packed lunch box also available upon request for 8.5 Euro for competitors and coaches. The food for the event shall have enough variety to appeal to different tastes and cultures and will be served in sufficient quantity and quality to provide the necessary nutrition for the athletes spending long days on the water.

Fruit and nutrition snacks are to be available before and after races. Water and soft drinks shall be provided with every meal. Water will also be provided at the venue during the day.

#### Transportation

Oman Sail will provide transport to and from the Muscat International airport for all competitors, supporters and coaches staying at the onsite hotel. More information about shuttle schedule to be shared closer to the event date.



Al Mussanah Sports City is approximately 100km north of Muscat International Airport.

The site has the infrastructure and facilities required to expand the country's existing tourism industry and the capability of hosting world-class events on an environmentally friendly basis. Oman Sail manages all the marina facilities, offering 54 quality berths, dockside support and first class facilities including boat cleaning, assistance upon arrival, and a fuel dock.

One of Oman Sail's four sailing schools operates from Al Mussanah Sports City and is the base for our National Sailing Teams.

### Travel Information

Muscat International Airport is easily accessible from all corners of the world with most major airlines servicing the Sultanate each year. Oman has now granted visa exemptions to over 100 countries, ensuring a smooth and enjoyable arrival to the country.



The national carrier, Oman Air, offers direct flights from many cities in Europe, India, Africa and the Middle East. We are working very closely with Oman Air to secure the best available fares for competitors and race officials for the event. More details will follow closer to date. *www.omanair.com* 

In addition to Oman's national flag carrier, the Sultanate is easily accessed through short connections from Abu Dhabi, Dubai and Qatar. With over 15 flights operating daily to Muscat from our gulf neighbours, Oman offers great flexibility for nations planning their travel requirements to and from the 2021 49er, 49erFX & Nacra17 World Championships.



Emirates



- Citizens of over 100 nations may now travel to Oman without obtaining a visa.
- Nationals of other countries must secure visas prior to travel to Oman https://www.rop.gov.om/english/countrylist1.html
- Detailed information on Oman's visa process can be seen here: https://www.rop.gov.om/english/visaservices\_mainpage\_html

Your passport should be valid for a minimum period of 6 months from the date of entry into Oman. For more information: http://www.rop.gov.om/english/dg\_pr\_visas\_tourist.asp

### Covid-19

**Passport validity** 

Travel information about COVID - 19 instructions to / from Oman, https://covid19.emushrif.om/





# Launching & Landing Sites

#### **Technical area access**

The Technical area will be open for access from November 1st. All team containers will be accessible after this date. The location will be near the Oman Sail Sailing school at the Millennium Resort Mussanah.

#### Launching Area

At the venue, there is a 20 metre wide slipway and a beach. The boats launch within the safety of Musannah Marina, with a short sail to the open sea.

#### **Coach Boat Berthing**

The Organizing Authority will provide an assigned berth for coach boat in Marina. Confirmation of these berths will be shared with teams by November 1st.

#### **Regatta Office Facilities**

- Dedicated Wifi networks for Competitors/Coaches.
- Photocopier/scanner.
- Printing facilities linked to race office WiFi network.

#### **Car Parking**

There is plenty of free car parking right next to the race village in Al Musannah Sports City. Motor homes will need to be parked outside of the Al Mussanah Sports City.

#### **Car Rental**

The event will have an official car rental company which will be shared with preferred rate and further details over the upcoming months.

#### **Toilet and Showering Facilities**

It is assumed that all competitors will change in their rooms since we are proposing that all participants will stay onsite. Additional toilets and shower facilities will be available onsite to accommodate participants of this championship.



# Shipping Information

#### Paperwork for temporary importation into Oman

Dennis from DB Schenker, our shipping partner, will assist you to prepare the needed documentation. A detailed listing of the content of all containers and all equipment with serial numbers, value/unit prices, country of origin per items are needed. ATA Carnets are not accepted.

#### **Container loading**

- Very important that the serial numbers for all the boats are visible & easily accessible by custom officers for checking when opening the containers
- Serial numbers must match the packing lists
- All other items in the container have to match the paperwork as well

#### Broadcasting equipment

- For all telecom/Broadcasting commodities the so-called TRA permits are required for the relevant ministries and must be applied in advance.
- Separate packing list is needed with details like number of pieces, model, make, serial number, country of origin, item value, etc.
- Includes VHF radios.

#### **Consumables & hazardous items**

For any dangerous goods cargo like batteries not attached to their equipment, paint, fuel, etc. a separate packing list and a special permit is needed or importation. Duties and taxes may apply.

#### For any enquiries on above, please contact below:

Dennis Gallardo Schenker Khimji's LLC Mobile Number: 00968 96570690 Phone: 00968 246 16 400 Fax: 00968 246 16 499 Email: om.dl.mct.events@dbschenker.com



## Team Information

#### VHF radios and broadcast equipment in Oman

VHF radios and broadcast equipment are not allowed in Oman so please contact Bader Al Aufi at bader.aufi@omansail.com if you wish to bring this into the country, Bader will be able to help you with any questions you may have or documentation that will need to be obtained.

Please make sure you do not carry any radios with you when you travel unless you have a TRA license, or they will be confiscated at the airport. Any VFH radios in shipping container will also confiscated at the port of entry.

#### Media equipment permits for journalists, photographers etc.

All people carrying professional photo/film recording or radio equipment need to send the detailed list to Badar Al Abri (badar.alabri@omansail.com), by the 1st September, in order to obtain an approval letter from airport security.

Without this letter, journalists/photographers will not be able to enter the country with their equipment. The list must be itemized and include all their photo/film material (e.g. cameras, pelican cases etc.) as well as smaller items such as memory card, wires or chargers. This list must include each item per case, serial number of each item, country of manufacture, weight and value.

#### Please also include the following details:

- Name/Nationality
- Passport copy
- Passport number
- Flight number
- Flight arrival time/departure time
- Type of equipment
- Serial number



#### Support boats / training before the regatta

Please read the special instructions in the Notice of Race applying to all support boats in Mussanah.

Support boats shall be registered with Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local legislation and the Class Support Boat Regulations which can be viewed on the Class website. Team leaders/coaches shall register with point of contact Abdullah Al Farsi and complete on-site registration at the race office at the venue upon arrival.

#### Fuel for RIBs and compressed air

The fuel station for RIBs is situated in Mussanah Marina. There is a dive center at the marina belonging to Oman Sail, where you can recharge your diving or spare air bottles with compressed air. The available payment methods are cash and credit cards.

#### **Sailors Lounge**

A sailors Lounge will be set up within a short walk of the technical area and just in front of the regatta office. The lounge is directly adjacent to the event slipway where the teams will launch from. Team lunches can be received here. Additional food and beverage are available at a charge.

#### **Social Activities**

- Saturday, 13th Nov: The Nacra 17 Annual General Meeting.
- Sunday 14th Nov: The 49er Class Annual General Meeting.
- Monday 15th Nov: The Opening Ceremony.
- Friday 19th Nov: The Arabian night including social activities, e.g. camel rides & traditional dancing.
- Sunday 21st Nov: Closing Cermony and prize giving required for all teams to participate with the full crew.

# Press information

#### Media Office

The Media Office is located at the event venue, the Millennium Resort Mussanah. Any press/media representative wishing to attend must be accredited beforehand by contacting Assim Al Saqri **assim@omansail.com** and Badar Al Abri badar. **alabri@omansail.com** for any inquiries.

#### **Opening and Closing Ceremony**

As well as the opportunity to receive news and event highlights by email, you may contact the Media Office to coordinate attending the event or witnessing the opening and closing ceremonies.

#### Photo and TV

Dedicated platform will be shared to get up to date imagery and broadcast content.

#### Media information

Official 49er, 49erFX & Nacra17 World Championships 2021 Website and social media channels

- https://www.omansail.com/
- ▶ https://www.youtube.com/user/OmanSailTeam
- https://www.facebook.com/OmanSail
- In https://www.instagram.com/omansail/
- y https://twitter.com/OmanSail

#### Specific hashtags and pages

- World pages: @OmanSail @DiscoverSeaOman @worldsailingofficial @forwardwip\_euros2020 @ 49ersailing @omanevents @instaoman
- #Oman #49erSailing #49erFX #OlympicSailing #Tokyo2021 #Weareomansail #omansail #sailing #Olympic # Tokyo #sailors #offshoresailing #mussanah

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#### VPN

You are required to download a VPN in order to connect to Skype, Facebook Video call and some other apps and websites which are restricted in Oman. Ensure to download and configure your VPN before entering Oman. Note Zoom application does not require VPN.

Below are some free VPN options: CyberGhost - www.cyberghostvpn.com/en Private Tunnel - https://www.privatetunnel.com/ Free VPN Access - http://freevpnaccess.com Best UK VPN - http://www.bestukvpn.com TunnelBear - http://www.tunnelbear.com





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