

ADVANCE NOTICE No. 2 & ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS



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This Advance Notice No. 2 is to provide owners, vessel operators and masters/captains with outline information about the plans made so far for the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009 and associated events.

Further information is available at www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/ or www.tallshipsraces.org and further information is enclosed in the section entitled “**Arrival Arrangements**” below. Each host port will also publish a Captains Manual which will be available at the Captains Briefing in the previous port and available to download from the Captains Page on our website using the following link:
www.sailtraininginternational.org/page.asp?partid=852

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RACING & SAILING RULES (2008 EDITION WITH 2009 AMENDMENTS)

The Racing & Sailing Rules and Special Regulations have been amended for 2009 and are available to download from the Captains' Page on our website using the following link:

www.sailtraininginternational.org/page.asp?partid=852

Participants are urged to make sure they study and use the 2008 Edition with 2009 Amendments of the Racing & Sailing Rules.

SAIL TRAINING INTERNATIONAL RULE OF RATING AND RACE PRIZES

Each registered vessel will be issued with a rating certificate which will be calculated by Sail Training International's unique Rule of Rating that ensures that all vessels will be able to race equally on corrected time. All new vessels to Tall Ships' Races will be provided with a measurement form which will need to be completed in advance.

Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places per class on corrected time, and for first on elapsed time (line honours') for each race leg. There will be many other special prizes for competing vessels. Vessels from all classes competing in all race legs will be eligible for the overall race series prizes.

The principle prize will be the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009 Friendship prize which will be awarded to the vessel, which in the opinion of the competing captains and crews, has contributed the most to international understanding and friendship.

RACE POSITION REPORTING AND MARINE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

For safety reasons, and to help the interest of the young crews during a race, Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009 will organise daily radio schedules. Vessels' positions will be passed over the radio and logged by the communications vessel. The corrected placings will then be re-broadcast so that they may be plotted for all on board to see. Results and charts showing the fleet's positions are also posted onto the race websites at www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/ or www.tallshipsraces.org

Full Sailing and Communications Instructions are to be collected by captains/masters on arrival from the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009 Race Office in Vigo for Race 1, Tenerife for Race 2, Bermuda for Race 3 and Halifax for Race 5.

Radio schedules will be conducted on MF and Sat Comms. The MF frequency used will be 4146 KHz. Any change to these frequencies will be notified in due course. Race starts are normally conducted on VHF channel 72. Please note a VHF radio and a type approved 406MHz EPIRB or INMARSAT E are compulsory for these races. All vessels are also required to have a multi-channel HF/MF SSB transceiver and a satellite communications transceiver, or two satellite communications transceivers.

CREW CHANGES

Vessel operators and captains/masters are reminded that the social programmes in each of the ports are designed to a similar pattern [see “Draft Port Programmes” below]. The main crew activities - sports, prize giving and crew party – **are usually held on the second day** of the official port dates.

In order to allow a vessel's trainee crew to gain maximum benefit from the social programme and, in particular, to take part in the prize giving and crew party which follows it, **it is recommended that crew changes are conducted on the third day of the official port dates**. For TSAC 2009, the recommended crew change dates are:

Vigo: 2 May; Tenerife: 16 May; Bermuda: 14 June; Charleston: 27 June; Boston: 10 July; Halifax: 18 July; Belfast: 15 August.

VESSEL LIFE SAVING APPLIANCES INSPECTIONS

All vessels will be required to conform to the Sail Training International Special Regulations in the Racing & Sailing Rules and Special Regulations, 2008 Edition with 2009 Amendments. The Vessel Life Saving Appliances Report form can be downloaded under the section “Documents that apply to all Races” at:

<http://www.sailtraininginternational.org/page.asp?partid=852>

VISAS

Customs and Visa Requirements for Las Canarias, Spain, Bermuda, the USA, Canada and the United Kingdom

SPAIN

Immigration formalities will be held for all vessels after berthing in Santa Cruz de Tenerife.

A complete list of crew members from each vessel, with the following information: name, date of birth, sex, nationality and passport number, must be delivered prior to the start from Vigo, to the Tenerife's delegation in that port.

Changes in the crew members must be given, stating names, nationalities and passport number. Crew members must advise the Liaison Office of itinerary at signing on/discharging.

Crew members from countries with compulsory visa who have to discharge in Vigo must apply for a visa in advance.

All captains should be aware of and follow the Customs regulations and limits for duty free articles.

The Spanish law governing the misuse of drugs must be observed.

LAS CANARIAS

The Schengen Treaty is applied, and the other nationalities need a visa.

Further information is available from The Ministry of Foreign Affairs using the following link:

<http://www.maec.es/en/Home/Paginas/HomeEn.aspx>

BERMUDA

To find out further information on visa requirements visit the web site www.immigration.gov.bm

Travel Documents required for entry into Bermuda

All visitors to Bermuda require the following:-

1. A Return or Onward Ticket or other document of onward transportation to a country to which, at that time, the passenger has right of entry. In the case of those travelling on the tall ships, most of whom will either be sailing in and flying out, or flying in and sailing out, they will require (a) a one-way plane ticket in or out of Bermuda, and (b) for those flying in, a letter from the master of their ship certifying that they will be sailing out of Bermuda on that vessel, with relevant dates.
2. Proof of Citizenship and identification (must be a photographic I.D.) All visitors must carry a valid passport for this purpose.
3. VISAS to enter Bermuda are not required EXCEPT for nationals of the following countries:
Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, China (People's Republic of) (includes holders of Hong Kong Identity Cards. Holders of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. Passports or British National (Overseas) Passports do not require visas for Bermuda), Croatia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia (former) (Nationals of Slovakia travelling on Czechoslovakian passports need visas. Citizens of the Czech Republic do not need visas), Georgia, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kampuchea (Cambodia), Kirgizstan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Libya, Macedonia, Republic of Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Nigeria, North Korea, Pakistan, Romania, Russian Federation, Republic of Slovakia, Slovenia, Soviet Union (former), Sri Lanka, Syria, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vietnam (North and South), Yugoslavia (former), Yugoslavia (Serbian Federal Republic of).
4. Other Documents and/or Visas for Onward Transportation – **It is very important** to remember that all visitors to Bermuda must have – upon arrival – the documents they need to travel to their next destination. Those sailing onward to the U.S. and Canada must have their entry documents for those two countries BEFORE arriving in Bermuda. All non-American participants in the race who plan to enter the United States **MUST HAVE A VISA.**

Those who are returning to their homeland from Bermuda must have the relevant documents to transit through the U.K. or other European country on their way home.

Crew Changeovers

Persons intending to fly into Bermuda on a one-way ticket for the purpose of joining the crew of one of the participating Tall Ships to depart Bermuda, must have in their possession a letter from the owner or skipper of that Tall Ship certifying that they are a bona fide crew member. This letter must be presented to Immigration officials on arrival at the Bermuda Airport. The owner or skipper of the Tall Ships will therefore be responsible for ensuring that such persons do depart Bermuda by Tall Ship.

USA

US Passports and Visas:

As of January 2008, all foreign nationals arriving in the U.S. by sea or air will be required to have a valid passport. As a general rule, the passport should be valid for 6 months beyond the expected date of departure from the U.S. In addition, **all foreign nationals will be required to obtain a B1/B2 visa**. Canadian and Bermudian citizens do not require a visa to enter the U.S.

Participants in this event should be aware that the visa waiver program allowing nationals of participating countries to enter the U.S. for 90 days without a visa cannot be utilized by persons arriving in the U.S. on carriers that are not signatories to the VWP (**Visa Waiver Program**) agreement. Tall Ships and other non commercial vessels are rarely signatories to the agreement, and therefore crew must obtain B1/B2 visas. B1/B2 visas are non-immigrant visas for business or pleasure.

Permanent, full time, professional crew members must have a valid C1/ D visa but, they are reminded that they may only stay in U.S. waters for 29 days.

<http://italy.usembassy.gov/visa/vis/VIS-3-en.asp>

Please apply for these visas very early – the visa offices are quite busy and interviews are required in many countries. Visit the following websites for further details:

<http://travel.state.gov/visa/tempvisitors.html> and <http://travel.state.gov/> and <http://cbp.gov> and <http://uscis.gov>

U.S. Citizens will need passports to re-enter the U.S. from Canada by sea. Legal Permanent Residents should have their "green cards." Information regarding application for or renewal of passports can be found at: http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

International Documentation:

Non-US flagged sail training vessels operating in US waters should be certified by their flag state or classification society as a passenger or sail training vessel.

Vessels of 500 or more gross tons must have either a SOLAS certificate or an International Maritime Organization (IMO) Code of Safety for Special Purpose Ships Certificate. Non-US flagged sail training vessels may also require a currently endorsed load line, international tonnage certificate, safety construction, safety equipment, radiotelegraph, and other SOLAS certificates depending on the vessel's size and route.

CANADA

Passport and visa requirements:

Foreign nationals who are seeking to enter Canada must be in possession of a passport and in certain cases a temporary resident visa (TRV). Foreign nationals arriving in Canada as crew members of a vessel who hold a seafarer's identity document issued under International Labour Organization (ILO) conventions do not require a passport. They do require a passport, however, if travelling to Canada by air or by other means for the purpose of becoming a member of the crew of a vessel which is already in Canada.

Foreign nationals do not require a temporary resident visa if they are carried to Canada by a vessel of which they are crew members and are seeking to enter Canada as a crew member of that vessel and to remain in Canada solely as a crew member of that vessel or any other vessel. They do require a visa, however, if they are seeking to enter Canada to join a vessel as a crew member and are citizens of a country whose citizens require a temporary resident visa. For an up to date list on the countries that require temporary resident visas to enter Canada

please refer to the CIC website at: www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp. *Please note that countries can be added and removed from this list at any time.

Foreign nationals working as crew members of ships in Canada do not require a work permit, provided that the ship on which they are employed, or are to join, is of foreign registry and is engaged in international transportation or other activities. Crew members may not, however, work aboard vessels which require coasting trade licences or perform dockside functions such as the loading or unloading of cargo, without a work permit.

Foreign nationals must meet the below definition of crew to qualify for the passport, TRV and work permit exemptions.

Interpretation — member of a crew

(a) "member of a crew" means a person who is employed on a means of transportation to perform duties during a voyage or trip, or while in port, related to the operation of the means of transportation or the provision of services to passengers or to other members of the crew, but does not include

(i) any person whose fare is waived in exchange for work to be performed during the voyage or trip,

(ii) any person who performs maintenance or repairs under a service contract with a transporter during the voyage or trip or while the means of transportation is in Canada, or

(iii) any other person who is on board the means of transportation for a purpose other than to perform duties that relate to the operation of the means of transportation or to provide services to passengers or other members of the crew;

Additional exemptions to the requirement to present a passport for entry into Canada:

(a) citizens of the United States;

(b) persons seeking to enter Canada from the United States or St. Pierre and Miquelon who have been lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence;

(c) residents of Greenland seeking to enter Canada from Greenland;

(d) persons seeking to enter Canada from St. Pierre and Miquelon who are citizens of France and residents of St. Pierre and Miquelon;

(e) members of the armed forces of a country that is a designated state for the purposes of the Visiting Forces Act who are seeking entry in order to carry out official duties, other than persons who have been designated as a civilian component of those armed forces;

(f) persons who are seeking to enter Canada as, or in order to become, members of a crew of a means of air transportation and who hold an airline flight crew licence or crew member certificate issued in accordance with International Civil Aviation Organization specifications; or

(g) persons seeking to enter Canada as members of a crew who hold a seafarer's identity document issued under International Labour Organization conventions and are members of the crew of the vessel that carries them to Canada

Obligations of transporters

Transporters are required to present all persons they carry to Canada for examination and to hold them until the examinations is complete. The transporter has complied with the obligation to hold a person for examination when a Canadian border services officer informs the transporter that the examination is complete.

Transporters may be required to carry from Canada any inadmissible person they bring to Canada. A transporter is always required to carry from Canada a foreign national carried to Canada as, or to become, a member of a crew, regardless of whether entry was authorized by a Canadian border services officer.

For more information on document requirements for entry into Canada and the obligations of transporters, please see a copy of the document prepared by the "Transportation Unit, Canada Border Services Agency" which is available to download from the Captains Page on our website using the following link:

http://www.sailtraininginternational.org/uploads/images/1227881549437_0.36377272276829703.pdf

UNITED KINGDOM

Individual race entrants are responsible for ascertaining what visas or other documents will be required by their ship's company when arriving in the **United Kingdom** and to obtain such visas themselves.

DIPLOMATIC CLEARANCE – Military Vessels

Military vessels taking part in the Races will need diplomatic clearance to enter foreign territorial waters. Captains/masters of military vessels are reminded to make sure that the period of time they have applied for takes into account the possibility of their vessel finishing the Race early and arriving in port outside the published official port dates.

SHIP OPENING TIMES TO THE PUBLIC

Whilst it remains at the discretion of the captain/master to decide ship opening times, ports have suggested that the following times would be appropriate for ships to be opened to the public:

Vigo	Between 1000 and 2100 hrs
Tenerife	From Thu 14/05 to Sat 16/05 between 1200 and 2200 hrs
Hamilton	Fri 12/06 & Sat 13/06 between 1200 and 1600 hrs Sun 14/06 between 1300 and 1600 hrs
Charleston	Fri 26/06 between 1000 and 1800 hrs Sat 27/06 between 1000 and 2000 hrs Sun 28/06 between 1000 and 1800 hrs
Boston	Between 1000 and 1800 hrs
Halifax	From Fri 17/07 to Sun 19/07 between 1000 and 1700 hrs
Belfast	Between 1000 and 1800 hrs

DRAFT PORT PROGRAMMES

VIGO, Spain - 30 April to 3 May

Saturday 25 April

1000 **Opening of “Alberto Durán” village**

Thursday 30 April

1200 **All Participating Vessels to be in Port**
Official start. Welcome Reception
2000 Reception and Captains’ dinner at Hotel Pazo Los Escudos

Friday 1 May

1000 Berthing area opening to public
1000 Sports programme for crew
1200 Official receptions
1700 Ecumenical service
2130 Crew Party

Saturday 2 May

1000 Berthing area opening to public
1200 Captain’s race
1500 Captains’ Briefing (Port Authorities Building)
1700 Crew Parade & and sports prize giving

Sunday 3 May

0900 Berthing area opening to public
1100 Authorities reception at Estacion Maritima
1200 Parade of Sail
1900 Start of Race 1 to Tenerife (Las Canarias – Spain)

Please visit www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/hostportsvigo_en.html for updates closer to event dates.

TENERIFE, Las Canarias (Spain) - 14 to 17 May

Thursday 14 May

1200	All Participating Vessels to be in Port
1200-2400	Harbour Area opened to public
1230	Press Conference
2100-2300	Musical events at the Crew Centre
2100	Captains' Dinner ("Real Club Náutico de Tenerife" - RCNT)

Friday 15 May

1030	Sport activities. Cultural and touristic visits
1200	Sailing races
1900	Crew Parade
2000	Prize giving ceremony at the Crew Centre
2100	Captains & Officer's Party at RCNT
2100-2400	Crew Party at Check in/out Station

Saturday 16 May

1030	Sport activities. Rowing boat race. Cultural and touristic visits
1100	Captains' Briefing (RCNT)
1200	Canarian Infantry Battalion marching parade (in Napoleonic wars uniforms)
2100-2400	Musical events at Crew Centre

Sunday 17 May

1100	Fleet Undocking Time & Farewell with a musical group
1300	Parade of Sail
1600	Start of Race 2 to Hamilton (Bermuda)
1630	Liaison Officers party at Crew Centre

Please visit www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/hostportstenerife_en.html for updates closer to event dates.

BERMUDA - 12 to 15 June

Arrival in Bermuda (starting around 1st June) Ships will be allocated berths or anchorage in Dockyard and St. George's. Ships will be able to take on fuel, water, provisions, and dispose of trash and sewage during this time. R & R for crew.

Internet Facilities: Available at Dockyard and St. George's until 11 June, and in Hamilton from 11 June to 14 June.

Pre- Tall Ships Festival Events

**Saturday 6 June to
Wednesday 10 June**

St. George's and Dockyard: Local pre-festival events scheduled, as follows:

Sunday 7 June

Dockyard: Festival of the Sea. Sunday Market, music, food and fun for all. **Everybody welcome.**

Dockyard: Beach Party at Snorkel Park for trainees and crew.

Hamilton: Concert in Victoria Park. **Everybody welcome.**

Monday 8 June

St. George's Dinghy & Sports Club "Dock Party 2009".

Dockyard: Destination Dockyard – crafts, entertainment and food. **Everybody welcome.**

Tuesday 9 June

St. George's: Beach Party at Tiger Bay with music by Barmuvinjan.

St. George's: Tuesday night: Market Night Festival. **Everybody welcome.**

Wednesday 10 June

St. George's: By invitation only. Mayor of St. George's Reception at Ordnance Island for Captains and Officers of ships berthed/anchored in St. George's from 6 – 8p.m.

Dockyard: Wedco/Bermuda Maritime Museum Party

Thursday 11 June

1200

All Participating Vessels to be in Port.

All tall ships proceed to Hamilton to assigned berths along Front Street and at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club.

900-2200

Trainees Centre at Pier 6. **Trainees only.**

- 1730-1900 **By invitation only.** Official Reception for Ships Captains at Newstead Belmont Hills Resort and Spa. Water transportation provided from Albuoy's Point between 1715 and 1930 hrs.
- 1800–2400 Front Street between Par-la-Ville Road and Parliament Street closed to through traffic. No parking.
- 1800-onwards Al Fresco Dining on Front Street. **Everybody welcome.**
- 1900-2300 **Everybody welcome.** Tall Ships Harbour Nights Festival on Front Street and Culture Fest in North Hamilton, both with music, entertainment, food, crafts, shopping and fun for all. Will operate the Bermuda Train between Front Street and North Hamilton.

Friday 12 June

- 1000-1600 Trainees' sports events at Horseshoe Bay Beach with local youth participation. Regular bus shuttle from Front Street.
- 900-2200 Trainees Centre at Pier 6. **Trainees only.**
- Noon-1600 Some tall ships open to the public.
- 1700 City Hall. Bermuda Society of Arts show opening Friday 12 June until July 1. City Hall Theatre, *Waterworks – Mid Atlantic Reflections*.
- 18:00–2300 Front Street between Par-la-Ville Road and Parliament Street closed to through traffic. No parking.
- 1800-onwards Al Fresco Dining on Front Street. **Everybody welcome.**
- 1800–2000 **Professional crew only.** Supper for professional crew at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club. Walkway from RBYC to Barr's Bay Park to join Trainees Party after supper.
- 1800–2100 **Trainees only.** Trainees' supper party, food and drinks, plus music at Barr's Bay Park.
- 1830–1930 **By invitation only.** Cocktail reception for Captains and invited guests. Sponsored by Bacardi International at their Headquarters.
- 2000–2230 **By invitation only.** Captains' Banquet at Fairmont Hamilton

Princess Hotel hosted by the Chairman of Tall Ships Bermuda and attended by H.E. the Governor, the Premier, the U.S. Consul General and other Government officials and dignitaries.

2100-0200 **Everybody welcome.** Music, cash bar, and entertainment in Barr's Bay Park for visiting professional crew and trainees, as well as the general public.

Saturday 13 June

600-Noon(approx) Front Street between Par-al-Ville Road and Court Street closed to through traffic and no parking.

900-2200 Trainees Centre at Pier 6. **Trainees only.**

1000 **Everybody welcome.** Queen's Birthday Parade on Front Street. Bermuda Regiment - dignitaries in attendance. (Military tall ships may be invited to participate in parade with the Bermuda Regiment Band).

1000-1600 Trainees' sports events at Horseshoe Bay Beach with local youth participation. Regular bus shuttle during the day.

Noon-1600 Some tall ships open to the public.

1800 Front Street between Par-la-Ville Road and Parliament Street closed to through traffic – no parking.

1830 **Everybody welcome to view.** Trainees' Parade led by Bermuda Bands, and including the Sea Cadets. Starting from Point Pleasant Road and going east on Front Street – north on Court Street - west on Dundonald Street and into Victoria Park. (Streets will open to through traffic as soon as the parade has passed).

1900-onwards Al fresco dining on Front Street. **For everybody.**

1930 **Everybody welcome.** Tall Ships Prize-giving Ceremony in Victoria Park. Prizes presented by the Premier of Bermuda, Dr. the Hon. Ewart Brown.

2100-2400 **Everybody welcome.** Entertainment in Victoria Park with food vendors, beer garden, bar, and other activities. Will close streets around Victoria Park.

Sunday 14 June

800-Noon Front Street between Par-la-Ville Road and Parliament Street closed to through traffic. No parking.

1000-Noon **Everybody welcome.** Island-wide Cod Fish Breakfast on Front Street. Local restaurants to provide breakfast.

900-2200 Trainees Centre at Pier 6. **Trainees only.**

1300-1600 Some Tall Ships open to the public.

13001600 **Everybody welcome.** Sailing regatta with Bermuda fitted dinghies.

1630 **Captains' Briefing** (City Hall Theatre)

1800 **By invitation only.** Supper reception for Ships' Captains, dignitaries, and principal sponsors, hosted by the Mayor and Members of the Corporation of Hamilton at City Hall.

Monday 15 June

700 Fleet Undocking Time

Noon(approx) Start of the Parade of Sail along North Shore, past Fort St. Catherine and out to the start line of the race. The public will be able to watch ships sail along the North Shore.

1600 Start of Race 3 to Charleston (USA)

Please visit www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/hostportsbermuda_en.html and www.tallshipsbermuda.com for updates closer to event dates.

CHARLESTON, USA - 25 to 29 June

Thursday 25 June

1200	All Participating Vessels to be in Port
1900	Captains' Reception

Friday 26 June

1000-1800	Charleston Harbour Fest
Time TBC	Shoreside Activities for Trainees
Time TBC	Crew Parade
Time TBC	Prize Giving 2000 International Soirée onboard ships– Passenger Terminal

Saturday 27 June

1000-2000	Charleston Harbour Fest – Public Viewing of Ships
Time TBC	Crew Rally

Sunday 28 June

1000-1100	Captains' Briefing
1000-1800	Charleston Harbour Fest – Public Viewing of Ships

Monday 29 June

Time TBC	Official Fleet Undocking Time – Passenger Terminal
Time TBC	Official Fleet Undocking Time – Maritime Centre
Time TBC	Parade of Sail
Time TBC	Start of ASTA Race to Boston (USA)

Times are subject to change. Please visit www.charlestonharborfest.org for updates closer to event dates.

BOSTON, USA – 8 to 13 July

Tuesday 7 July

1130-1200 Opening Ceremony – Press Conference
1600-1700 Blessing of the Sails

Wednesday 8 July

0900-1500 Parade of Sail
1500-2200 Sail Boston Festival
1500-2200 Entertainment and Cultural and Educational Activities
2000-2400 Salute Ball

Thursday 9 July

1000-2200 Sail Boston Festival
1200-2200 Entertainment and Cultural and Educational Activities
1900-2100 Captains' Reception

Friday 10 July

0800-1700 Crew and Cadet Sports Competition
1000-2200 Sail Boston Festival
1000-2200 Entertainment and Cultural and Educational Activities
1100-1200 Crew and Cadet Street Parade
2000-2400 Crew and Cadet Liberty Party

Saturday 11 July

1000-1100 Captains' Briefing
1000-2200 Sail Boston Festival
1000-2200 Entertainment and Cultural and Educational Activities
1900-2300 Tall Ships Gala

Sunday 12 July

1000-2200 Sail Boston Festival
1000-2200 Entertainment and Cultural and Educational Activities

Monday 13 July

0800-1200 Ships Depart for C-in-C to Halifax (Canada)

Please visit www.sailboston.com/home.html for updates closer to event dates.

HALIFAX, Canada – 16 to 20 July

Thursday 16 July

1200 All Participating Vessels to be in Port
0700 – 1500 Ships Arrive and Prepare for Volunteer Boarding
1500 – 1700 Volunteer Boarding (Not open to general public)
TBC Crew Party & Awards

Friday 17 July

TBC Crew Activities
TBC Captains Dinner
1900 – 2300 Deck Receptions

Saturday 18 July

TBC Crew Activities
1000 – 1200 Crew Parade
1300 – 1500 250th Anniversary of the Founding of Royal
Navy Dockyard Commemorative Ceremony
1900 – 2300 Deck Receptions
2100 – 2200 Fireworks (TENTATIVE)

Sunday 19 July

1500 Captains' Briefing
1900 – 2300 Deck Receptions

Monday 20 July

TBC Closing Ceremonies
1200 - 1500 Parade of Sail
1100 – 1300 VIP & Sponsor Viewing

Please visit http://www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/hostportshalifax_en.html for updates closer to event dates.

BELFAST, UK – 13 to 16 August

Thursday 13 August

1200	All Participating Vessels in Port
1000-2100	Festival Programme
1200-1800	Crew activities, Tours and Sports
1500	Opening Ceremony
1900	Captains Dinner
2100	Fireworks display

Friday 14 August

1000-2100	Festival Programme
1000-1800	Crew activities, Tours and Sports
1800	Crew Parade
1900	Crew Prize Giving and Crew Party
2100	Fireworks display

Saturday 15 August

1000-2100	Festival Programme
1000-1800	Crew activities, Tours and Sports
1500	Captains' Briefing & TSAC Race Series "Wash up" Meeting
1900	Ships Officers Party
2100	Fireworks display

Sunday 16 August

1000-1800	Festival Programme
1200	Unberthing and Parade of Sail

Please visit www.tallshipsraces.com/atlanticchallenge/hostportsbelfast_en.html for updates closer to event dates.

DRAFT COURSES

NOTE

The courses given below are **provisional** and may be changed. Confirmation of the courses to be sailed will be given during the Captains' Briefing in each race start port. Confirmation of the courses is also published in the SAILING & COMMUNICATIONS INSTRUCTIONS which captains/masters collect from the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Race Office in Vigo for Race 1, Tenerife for Race 2, Hamilton (Bermuda) for Race 3, and Halifax for Race 5. All times are local.

Race 1 Vigo to Tenerife

Start	42° 12' N	009° 00' W	In area 5 miles off Vigo entrance
Finish Line	28° 35' N	016° 09' W	090°T from Punta Anaga for 3 to 8 miles

Race 2 Tenerife to Bermuda

Course A

Start	28° 23' N	016° 12' W	In area 5 miles off Santa Cruz de Tenerife
WP1	26° 00' N	035° 00' W	To starboard
Finish Line	32° 22.7' N	064° 35' W	090°T from St David's Light for 5 miles

Course B

Start	28° 23' N	016° 12' W	In area 5 miles off Santa Cruz de Tenerife
Finish Line	32° 22.7' N	064° 35' W	090°T from St David's Light for 5 miles

Race 3 Bermuda to Charleston

Start	32° 23' N	064° 35' W	In area 5 miles off St Georges, Bermuda
Finish Line	32° 37' N	079° 35.3' W	040°T from fairway buoy for 2 to 7 miles

Race 4 Charleston to Boston (Details will be published by ASTA)

Race 5 Halifax to Belfast

Star Area	44° 32' N	063° 26' W	In area 5 miles off entrance to Halifax
WP1	43° 30' N	060° 00' W	Off Sable Island to port
WP2	43° 30' N	050° 00' W	Off Newfoundland Banks to port
Finish Line	55° 17' N	008° 15' W	320°T from Tory Island Lt for 5 miles

Please note:

- The above Races are Category 0 under the Racing & Sailing Rules and Special Regulations 2008 Edition, amended for 2009.
- Races One, Two, Three and Five will be run under Sail Training International's Racing and Sailing Rules 2008 Edition with 2009 amendments, Part 3, **Section B**, Rule 1. Race Five will be run under Part 3, **Section A**, Rule 1.
- No person under the age of 15 is to be on board during a race, the Cruise-in-Company and associated events.

- VHF radio and a type approved 406MHz EPIRB or INMARSAT E are compulsory for these races. All vessels are also required to have a multi-channel HF/MF SSB transceiver and a satellite communications transceiver or two satellite communications transceivers.

SHIPS' MAIL

The addresses below are the official addresses for any mail being sent during the Races either to a vessel or an individual crew member on board. When addressing mail to anyone in the fleet it is imperative that the **NAME OF THE VESSEL** is clearly given in the address.

VIGO

Fleet's last full day in port: Saturday 2 May

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Regata Grandes Veleros Vigo 2009 (TSAC Vigo 2009)

Estación Marítima del Muelle de Trasatlánticos

Alberto Durán

36201 Vigo

SPAIN

TENERIFE

Fleet's last full day in port: Saturday 16 May

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

TENERIFE Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

PO Box 893

Santa Cruz de Tenerife

Canary Islands - SPAIN

HAMILTON

Fleet's last full day in port: Sunday 14 June

[Name of Individual]

Hold for arrival of Sailing ship **[Name of Vessel]**

Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

Bermuda General Post Office

56 Church Street

Hamilton HM12

BERMUDA

CHARLESTON

Fleet's last full day in port: Sunday 28 June

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Charleston Harbor Fest

10 Wharfside

Charleston, SC 29401

USA

****For anything over 10 lbs (Approx 4.5 kg), please email Dhavens@scmaritime.org well in advance for instructions.**

BOSTON

Fleet's last full day in port: Sunday 12 July

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

Sail Boston, Inc.

C/O Conventures, Inc.

One Design Center Place, Suite 718

Boston, MA 02210

USA

HALIFAX

Fleet's last full day in port: Sunday 19 July

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

Tall Ships Nova Scotia Festival – Project Office

1549 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor

Halifax, NS

B3J 1S2 CANADA

BELFAST

Fleet's last full day in port: Saturday 15 August

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

Belfast Tall Ships 2009 Ltd

c/o Events unit

Development Department

The Cecil Ward Building

4-10 Linenhall Street

Belfast, BT2 8BP

UK

CREW TRAVEL

VIGO: Arrival/Transfer Information

There are different ways to come to Vigo.

- The railway system has a series of lines linking the city to the rest of Spain. A high speed train link is anticipated for the year 2010. www.renfe.es

- The airport continues its unstoppable growth, with a constant yearly increase in the number of passengers. It offers regular flights to the main Spanish cities (Madrid, Barcelona....), as well as international flights (Paris, Frankfurt), in addition to charter flights. www.aena.es

- By sea, Vigo is an essential port of call for the largest ocean liners in the world, whose passengers make use of their time to enjoy and visit the city. The marina and the natural protection provided by the estuary mean that vessels with any draft size can be moored in the port of Vigo.

TENERIFE: Arrival/Transfer Information

By air. Some useful links to find a flight:

<http://www.clickair.com/view/default.aspx?lang=2>

<http://www.cheapestflights.co.uk/flights/flightreturnsearch.asp>

<http://www.flightline.co.uk/fly-to/search.php>

Information and timetables for bus connections with the two airports on the island of Tenerife can be found using the following links:

"Tenerife Norte (Reina Sofía)": <http://www.titsa.com/lineas.asp?codigoldioma=en>

"Tenerife Sur (Los Rodeos)" : <http://www.titsa.com/default.asp>

"Tenerife Norte" is about 15 Km from Santa Cruz de Tenerife

"Tenerife Sur" is about 65 Km from Santa Cruz de Tenerife

HAMILTON (Bermuda): Arrival/Transfer Information

There are direct flights via Gatwick, Boston, New York, Atlanta, Toronto, and others gateways, some not daily (eg Halifax). One of the best website for finding the cheapest route is www.expedia.com.

Transfer time from the airport to the ship is approximately 35 minutes. You must notify by telephone (Tel: +1 441 296 2238 or +1 441 300 0343) or e-mail: info@tallships.bm your arrival so that you can be met and transported to the ships at no charge.

NOTE: There is no currency exchange at the airport and all incoming passengers need to have US \$ upon arrival. Bermuda has its own dollars which are on a par with the US \$ and can be used everywhere on the island.

More information at: <http://www.tallshipsbermuda.com>

CHARLESTON: Arrival/Transfer Information

There are many ways to get to, from, and around the Charleston area. Here you will find several modes of transportation available to you during your visit. A variety of services are available to help you get the most out of your Charleston area visit. The Charleston Area Convention and Visitor Bureau is an excellent resource (<http://www.charlestoncvb.com/>).

Request a Charleston Area Official Visitors Guide here.

<http://www.charlestoncvb.com/visitors/visitorguide.html>

Location

The Charleston area is located on the coast of South Carolina, midway between Myrtle Beach and Hilton Head Island. It is easily accessible by car...I-26 has its eastern terminus in Charleston and connects with I-20, I-85, I-40, I-77 and I-95 from the north. US Highway 17, the coastal north-south route, runs through Charleston and connects with I-95 from the south.

Getting Here by Air

Charleston International Airport offers jet service from Air Canada, Delta Airlines Inc., Atlantic Southeast Airline/Delta Connection, Northwest Airlines, Comair Inc./Delta Connection, United Express, Continental Airlines, US Airways, and AirTran. Charleston International Airport is located 12 miles from historic downtown Charleston and near the intersection of I-26 and I-526.

The following link will provide you with the latest flight schedules for every airline offering non-stop service to and from Charleston

<http://www.charlestoncvb.com/visitors/flights.html>

Once you are at the Airport

Travelling from the Charleston International Airport to the Passenger Terminal (location of Class A ships at dock) or the Charleston Maritime Center (location of Class B, C, & D ships at dock) is easy. As you depart the terminal a taxi stand offers service with standard size automobiles and vans. The address of both docking locations is listed below. If you would like to pre-book your ground transportation, contact Yellow Cab +1 843-577-6565. For groups travelling together that require a vehicle larger than a van, contact Absolutely Charleston at www.absolutelycharleston.com for bus or trolley service. You can also reach them by phone at +1 843-747-4448.

Please make sure you know where your ship will be docked before travelling to Charleston, as there are multiple venues for docking and they are not necessarily within walking distance of each other.

Location of Class A ships at dock

Union Pier Passenger Terminal
196 Concord Street
Charleston, SC 29401

Liaisons provided by Charleston will need to know of all arrivals and departures at Union Pier Terminal as this is a secured port facility with regulations on entry.

Location of Class B, C, and D ships at dock

Charleston Maritime Center
10 Wharfside Street
Charleston, SC 29401

A shuttle service will run between all event locations in Charleston and Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina during the open event 26-28 June.

Train Service

Amtrak provides regular passenger train service to the Charleston area from other major cities such as Boston, New York and Washington D.C.

1-800-USA-RAIL (1-800-872-7245) or www.amtrak.com

Tourist Information Once Your Are Here

Charleston Visitor Center

375 Meeting Street

Charleston, SC 29403

Phone: +1 843-853-8000

Open 8:30am-5:30pm daily. Trained staff is available to answer questions and provide assistance. Free brochures, maps and restrooms. Local publications and tour and attraction tickets are available for sale.

Other resources:

Charleston CVB www.charlestoncvb.com

Maps www.charlestoncvb.com/visitors/maps.html

Event Website: www.charlestonharborfest.org

Local Newspaper www.charleston.net

Delta Airlines www.delta.com

United Airlines www.united.com

Additional resources for crew will be offered in the Crew Lounge, including information on historic plantations, garden tours, dining, music, and more. Cultural and tourist activities for crew will be offered.

Please contact our office with any questions at +1 843-722-1030 ext 20

BOSTON: Arrival/Transfer Information

By Air

Boston Logan Airport (BOS)

Logan Airport is our city's main hub for travellers coming from long distances. Located just minutes away from Downtown Boston, this is the best-recommended airport for out of town visitors to fly into. http://www.airwise.com/airports/us/BOS/BOS_01.html

Other Airports within 100 miles...

TF Green, Providence Rhode Island (PVD)

Located in Providence Rhode Island, TF Green, is approximately 60 miles from Boston with Commuter Rail service (train) directly to South Station in downtown Boston.

<http://www.pvdairport.com/>

Manchester – Boston Regional Airport (MHT), New Hampshire

Strategically situated in the heart of New England, Manchester • Boston Regional Airport is located less than fifty miles north of Boston, Massachusetts. This airport also offers bus transportation to Boston's South Station.

<http://www.flymanchester.com/>

By Train

Amtrek

<http://www.amtrak.com/servlet/ContentServer?pagename=Amtrak/HomePage>

Amtrek Downeaster (coming from the North)

<http://www.amtrakdowneaster.com/portland.html>

By Bus/Coach

Greyhound

Greyhound Lines, Inc. is the largest provider of intercity bus transportation, serving more than 2,300 destinations with 13,000 daily departures across North America. www.greyhound.com

PeterPan

PeterPan Bus Lines provides transportation to and from many cities throughout the northeast region of the United States.

www.peterpanbus.com

ONCE YOU ARE HERE:

Boston is known as *America's Walking City*, so once you are settled in your hotel room or place of stay, put your sneakers on and see the sites by foot! If walking is not favorable to you, there are several other ways to get around. Below are our best modes of transportation from the airport and for getting around.

MBTA transportation offers travel by train, subway (T), bus and ferry

<http://www.mbta.com/>

Taxi Cabs

Boston Cab (617) 536-5010

City Cab (617) 536-5100

Town Taxi (617) 536-5000

Metro Cab (617) 782-5500 www.boston-cab.com

Car Service

Commonwealth Worldwide (617) 787-5575 www.commonwealthlimo.com

Dav El (617) 887-0800 www.davel.com

Water Taxi

Rowes Wharf Water Transport

Provides year round water transportation services to the entire Boston waterfront including an Airport Water Shuttle service between Rowes Wharf and Logan International Airport. Pay your fare on board, make a reservation by phone or order tickets online.

www.roweswharfwatertaxi.com

City Water Taxi

Provides service to the entire Boston waterfront. Pay fare on board, or order tickets online and travel to one of numerous stops.

www.citywatertaxi.com

Hotel-Airport Shuttle Service (dependant on hotel)

Check with the hotel you are staying at to see if they offer shuttle service to their guests.

VISITOR HOSPITALITY

The Greater Boston Convention & Visitor's Bureau is Boston's best resource for City 'hotspots' such as dining, shopping, entertainment and events. Visit their website to help plan your trip!

<http://www.bostonusa.com/>

*Please note. All the above information will be available at www.sailboston.com

HALIFAX: Arrival/Transfer Information

How to get to Halifax

Halifax, located in the Southern East coast of Nova Scotia is easily accessible by air, rail, coach, sea and road.

Useful Links:

<http://www.halifaxinfo.com/getting-here.php>

<http://novascotia.com/en/home/default.aspx>

<http://www.halifaxinfo.com/>

<http://www.destinationhalifax.com/>

<http://www.halifax.ca/>

<http://www.halifaxwebcam.ca/live/>

Trains & Bus Station:

The Halifax train and bus station is conveniently situated in the downtown Halifax area, and is just a 5 minute walk from the harbour. For further information about the train station, location, departure and arrival times please visit

<http://www.viarail.ca/train-stations/en-station-halifax-nova-scotia.html> or

http://www.viarail.ca/tourists/en_tour_dpop_hali.html

For further information regarding bus schedules, locations and fares please visit:

<http://www.smtbus.com/en/index.asp>

Airport:

Halifax Stanfield International Airport is located on 1 Bell Boulevard in Enfield, Nova Scotia, which is Exit 6 off of Highway 102. It is approximately 35 kilometres (22 miles) from downtown Halifax, and takes about 30 to 45 minutes to drive by car. The geographic coordinates are:

Latitude 44° - 52' - 51" North; Longitude 63° - 30' - 33" West

Useful Links

<http://www.hiaa.com>

<http://www.flyhalifax.com/>

<http://www.aircanada.com/en/home.html>

<http://www.westjet.com/>

How to get to the Halifax from the airport:

Taxi:

Taxi and limousine services are available curbside in the Domestic Arrivals area for all arriving flights. A one-way trip to Halifax city centre is \$53.00 (Canadian) by taxi or by limousine. For a list of drivers licensed at Halifax Stanfield International Airport, who offer pre-arranged service please visit:

http://www.hiaa.ca/images/pdf_files/2008/Prearranged%20List.pdf

Airport Bus:

Airporter Inc. provides shuttle service to and from various hotels in the Metro Halifax area. Core hours of operation are 6:00 a.m. to midnight daily. Regular rates for the Airporter service are \$18.00 (Canadian) one way. Children under 10 years of age accompanied by an adult ride for free. Click here to view the schedule http://www.hiaa.ca/images/pdf_files/2008/Airporter_Schedule_Summer_2008.pdf (subject to change without notice).

Coach:

Acadian Lines provides province-wide bus service, including service to and from Halifax Stanfield International Airport. For further information regarding bus schedules please visit: <http://www.smtbus.com/en/index.asp>

Shuttle Services:

Other shuttle buses operate from Halifax Stanfield International Airport to various destinations throughout Nova Scotia.

□ For further information about these services, please visit: http://www.hiaa.ca/images/pdf_files/2008/ShuttleBus%202008.pdf

BELFAST: Arrival/Transfer Information

Belfast International Airport

To/from Belfast

- Airport Express 300 now operates a 24 hour service between the airport and Belfast with buses departing every 10 minutes throughout the day. The bus leaves from the bus stop located opposite the terminal exit.
- From the Airport to Belfast: All coaches will travel from the Airport via Templepatrick, M2 Motorway, Royal Avenue, Castle Place to Belfast Europa Buscentre.
- From Belfast to the Airport: From Belfast Europa Buscentre via Wellington Place, Donegall Place, Royal Avenue, M2 Motorway and Templepatrick to Belfast International Airport.

Approximate journey time 30-40 minutes subject to traffic conditions.

Your Airport Express 300 is waiting at the main exit. Please board when you leave the terminal. Services subject to withdrawal or revision in the event of flight cancellations or diversions and to alterations to Airline Schedules. A special timetable may operate on Public Holidays. Airport Express 300 departs Templepatrick approximately 7 minutes after Airport departure times

- The International Airport Taxi Company, official taxi operator for the airport, are available for hire outside the right hand door of the airport Exit lobby. Only taxis approved by BIA are permitted to use the taxi rank. A list of sample fares is displayed in the exit hall of the terminal building. The fare to Belfast City Centre is approximately £25.00. A taxi share scheme to Belfast is available for those who wish to use it.

Belfast City Airport –

The airport is located on the A2, Sydenham Bypass road between Belfast and Holywood, on the southern shore of Belfast Lough. Those approaching Belfast on the M1 or M2, should follow the signs to Belfast City Airport, leading to the A2 via the M3. Click here for help in planning your journey. Our postcode is BT3 9JH.

Approved taxis operate from the airport taxi rank directly outside the terminal building. The approximate cost to Belfast City Centre is £8.00. All of these taxis are wheelchair friendly.

Trains

A shuttle bus service operates between the Airport Terminal and the adjacent rail halt at Sydenham. Translink operate a twice hourly rail service (0600-2300) Monday-Friday to Central and Victoria Street Stations. The service is hourly on Sundays (0900-2200). The approximate cost to Central Station is £1.40. Connections are available from Central Station to the rest of the rail network in Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic.

Buses

The Airport Express 600 operates every 20 minutes from the footbridge at Sydenham Halt to the Belfast Europa Bus Centre adjacent to the Europa Hotel, in the heart of the city. The service, Flexibus route No. 600, operates between 06:00 and 22:05, and costs £2.20 for a return journey. No. 3 Metrobus operates every 20 minutes from Sydenham train station to City Hall and every 10 minutes between 09.00 and 17.30. It is a five-minute walk from Airport terminal to the bus stop. The "Airporter" service operates 9 coaches daily to Londonderry. For booking information, please telephone +44 (0) 28 7126 9996.

Useful Websites

www.belfastcity.gov.uk/tallships

www.gotobelfast.com

www.nitb.com

www.discovernorthernireland.com

www.belfastvisitorandconventionbureau.com

www.belfast.net

www.belfastairport.com

www.belfastcityairport.com



Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

SAIL TRAINING INTERNATIONAL
&
THE AMERICAN SAIL TRAINING ASSOCIATION

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Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

Vigo – Tenerife – Hamilton (Bermuda) – Charleston – Boston
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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

1. These papers are designed to give you as much information as possible to allow you to prepare for the races and to assist you with the planning of your arrival at the race ports. Each port has provided specific information which you will be required to follow. The Arrival Arrangements for Vigo should be studied very carefully. Further detailed information will be provided later for follow-on ports.
2. Because of the volume of paper that will build up as the races begin, it is ***strongly recommended*** that each vessel appoints one officer to be responsible for the paperwork. He should advise the Captain/Master on what affects him. He should ensure that everyone on board gets the maximum benefit from the many invitations and arrangements that have been made for the vessels taking part.
3. Liaison Officers will be available in each port to come on board and assist in the interpretation of the papers issued by that particular port.

OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS

4. In addition to these Arrival Arrangements, the following documents are also provided in the Captains' envelope on a CD Rom disc available from the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Race Office.
 - 4.1 **Racing & Sailing Rules and Special Regulations - 2008 Edition with amendments for 2009.**

These are the official Rules governing the race and incorporate Special Regulations. If you have an earlier edition, destroy it! Copies of the Rules are also available online at:

www.sailtraininginternational.org (Services / Publications) and on the Captains' Page at:

www.sailtraininginternational.org/page.asp?partid=852

4.2 Crew Lists

Rule 12.1 of the Racing & Sailing Rules 2008 Edition with amendments for 2009, explains the requirement and is new for 2009. Captain/Masters are reminded that no vessel may start a Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Race until her Crew List has been handed in to the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Race Office. Please remember the age rules and how they affect your vessel and no person under the age of 15 is to be on board during a race, cruise-in-company or associated events. The official deadlines for arrival in port are:

- Vigo - 12:00 Hrs (local time) Thursday 30 April
- Tenerife - 12:00 Hrs (local time) Thursday 14 May
- Hamilton (Bermuda) - 12:00 Hrs (local time) Thursday 11 June
- Charleston - 12:00 Hrs (local time) Thursday 25 June
- Halifax - 12:00 Hrs (local time) Thursday 16 July

4.3 Vessel Life Saving Appliances Check List

Please note that the format of this Check List is new. It is essential that the Captain/Master completes the Vessel Life Saving Appliances Check List and hands it in to the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Office in Vigo, Tenerife, Hamilton (Bermuda), Halifax and Belfast **within 12 hours of the stated deadline for arrival in port** as published. Failure to do so will incur a Standard Time Penalty or lead to disqualification.

4.4 Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Memorandum on Safety

4.5 Entry Form for the Boston Teapot Trophy

4.6 Captain's Document Paper Trail

RACE PENNANTS

5.

RACE PENNANTS WILL ONLY BE ISSUED TO A VESSEL ONCE A COMPLETED CREW LIST AND VESSEL LIFE SAVING APPLIANCES CHECK LIST ARE RECEIVED AND THE VESSEL HAS PASSED ITS INSPECTION.

SHIP'S ENVELOPE

6. On arrival at Vigo, Tenerife, Hamilton and Halifax Captains/Masters are to report to the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Race Office and collect their ship's envelope. Vessels that have done Race 1 and are also taking part in Race 2, Race 3 and Race 5 must collect a **second** envelope in Tenerife, Hamilton and Halifax. These envelopes will contain:

6.1 Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge Sailing and Communications Instructions

This document includes information about the race start and a list of vessels taking part. An updated communications schedule will be issued at the Captains' Briefings in Vigo at 15:00 hrs on Saturday 2 May, Tenerife at 11:00 hrs on Saturday 16 May, Hamilton at 16:30 hrs on Sunday 14 June, Charleston at 10:00 hrs on Sunday 28 June, and Halifax at 15:00 hrs on Sunday 19 July.

6.2 Race Declaration Forms

A Race Declaration form must be completed, signed where indicated and handed in to the Race Office as soon as possible after finishing the race and arrival at Tenerife, Hamilton, Charleston, Boston and Belfast. **Failure to do so will result in the vessel receiving a Standard Time Penalty or being treated as having failed to complete the course.** It is the Captain/Master's responsibility to ensure that the Race Declaration Form is delivered to the Race Office.

SECTION 2

VIGO

THURSDAY 30 APRIL – SUNDAY 3 MAY

1. CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Spanish charts nr 41B, and 416B. Recommended as well nr 4165 Chart nr 416B of Vigo Bay where are included the Traffic Separation Scheme such as approaching as Bay navigation, must be considered in the Captain's Manual. As important chart for approaches, Port Committee recommends keep in chart room before departure from the last port of call for each vessel.

2. FREQUENCIES

VHF channel 16/10 is the principal port and approach operations frequency and will be used for all arrival communications and pilotage requests.

3. CALL SIGNS

The call sign is **Vigo Traffic**.

4. PROCEDURES

Call "Vigo Traffic" 1 hour in advance to arrive to North or South reporting point for navigation and arrangement requirements (Assistance you need (tug – pilot – boatmen).

5. PILOTS

Harbour pilots are available at all times. Please order your pilot at least one hour in advance. There is no compulsory pilotage for Vigo Port.

Pilots are free of charge.

6. TUGS

Two tugs are available at all times and at short notice. Several smaller 'push-me' and 'follow-me' - boats are also available.

Tugs are free of charge for those ships that request them.

7. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

Customs

Each ship is requested to fill out the customs declaration upon arrival and hand it over to the LO, who will then take it to the Customs. This list will be provided by the administration of The Tall Ships' Races Vigo, through the LO.

It is forbidden to sell duty free products (e.g. tobacco, alcohol etc) on the quays. This regulation excludes promotional products e.g. postcards and souvenirs issued by the ships. However, it is required to hand over a list of the amount sold during the stay in Vigo to the LO, which will be given to the customs for payment of taxes.

Customs officers may inspect ships for prohibited goods.

Immigration

A current crew list should be given to the LO on arrival.

It should be noted that it is the responsibility of the individuals concerned to obtain any visas that may be necessary and that failure to be in possession of such documents may have implications for them and the operators of the host vessel. Entrants are also reminded that regulations for visas, etc. are liable to change.

In general however:

All crew/passengers must hold a valid passport and visa where necessary. Citizens from non-EU countries and/or those necessitating visa must apply for it in advance.

The requirement for a visa will depend on the nationality of the individual. Failure to be in possession of a valid visa may render the person liable to removal from Norway at the vessel's expense.

Visas are not required for:

Andorra, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Bermuda (BDTC-passport), Brazil, Brunei, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Denmark, El Salvador, Estland, Finland, France, Guatemala, Greece, Honduras, Hong Kong (SAR-passport), Ireland, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korea, Croatia, Cyprus, Lithuania, Liechtenstein, Latvia, Luxemburg, Macau (SAR-passport), Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Great Britain, Switzerland, Sweden, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Uruguay, United States of America, The Vatican, Venezuela, Austria.

For passengers who are travelling from Vigo and outside of Schengen, the LO will collect the passports and hand them over to the authorities for stamping.

8. BUNKERING

Class A and large Class B ships are requested to order their bunkering as early as possible. When ordering please inform about the payment method. Payment by credit card is preferred. Class A and B ships may request a given time for the bunkering. The LO will coordinate with the station and inform the ship about the time the tanker will be available. The fuelling times in harbour will be restricted.

The phone number to the station is: Repsol: 00 34 986 42 15 00
00 34 986 23 24 61

Petropesca: 00 34 22 16 52

The smaller B ships and all C and D vessels are requested to refuel before arrival at the berthing area. This can be done in three places in the harbour. These places will be marked on a map which will be distributed in the Captain's Manual. Credit cards will be preferred as payment, but payment in cash (Euro) will also be accepted.

9. FRESH WATER

Fresh water will be available to all vessels during their stay in Vigo.

Water supplies will be delivered on demand every day. For ordering please contact your LO one day in advance.

10. ELECTRICITY

Electricity is available on all quaysides, although large Class A ships will be encouraged to use their own generators.

11. WASTE

Once the ships come into harbour, the waste onboard will be collected immediately. During the days in Vigo, waste may be disposed of in containers along the quayside.

Black water may be collected with a road tanker. Please contact your LO to order this service.

12. POLLUTION

Oil pollution legislation imposes strict control over the discharge of oily mixtures and wastes. Any vessel causing or sighting such pollution is obliged to report immediately all details to the port authorities. The Liaison Officer should also be informed.

13. FENDERS AND GANGWAYS

Vessels are expected to provide their own fenders and means of access to the shore.

14. EMERGENCIES

All emergencies should be reported immediately on VHF channel 16/10 to the coastal station. The call sign is "**Vigo Maritime Rescue**". Police emergency phone number is **112**.

15. LIAISON OFFICERS

Your LO will meet your vessel upon arrival in Vigo Port.

The LO will provide you with essential information, much of which is contained within the Captains' Handbook, and will keep you up-to-date with any revised or new material throughout your stay in Vigo.

Your LO will be pleased to assist you with any queries you may have and to help you with various arrangements that will be required during your stay.

The LO's aim is to enable you and your crew to enjoy your visit to Vigo. They will advise you of full details of the social events organised for captains and crews.

The liaison system will organise and provide engineering services for the ships (such as engineering, electrical, shipwright, rigging and instrument services). It will also assist with arrangements for the supply of ships stores, bottled gas, fuel and lube oils, sail repair and provisions.

In order to provide the maximum assistance, we anticipate that your LO will spend as much time as possible with your ship and crew, and you are cordially requested to afford your LO suitable facilities. Military sailing vessels will also be provided with a military LO.

16. OFFICES

Prior to your arrival, all inquiries should be directed to:

Oficina TSAC Vigo 2009

Edificio Sesiones Autoridad Portuaria Vigo.

Muelle de Trasatlánticos Alberto Durán s/n

36201 Vigo - Spain

Postal address: Edificio Sesiones Autoridad Portuaria Vigo.

Muelle de Trasatlánticos Alberto Durán s/n 36201 Vigo

Tel: +34 986 227 882

Email: tsacvigo2009@vigo.org

17. SHIPS' MAIL

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Regata Grandes Veleros Vigo 2009 (TSAC Vigo 2009)

Estación Marítima del Muelle de Trasatlánticos Alberto Durán

36201 Vigo

Spain

We look forward to welcoming you to Vigo

SECTION 3

TENERIFE

THURSDAY 14 MAY – SUNDAY 17 MAY

1. CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Spanish Charts

Edited by the "Instituto Hidrográfico de la Marina" (IHM):

- 5 A (INT 1082) De Casablanca a Cabo Yubi, con las islas Canarias.
- 61 A Gran Canaria, Tenerife y La Gomera
- 612 Del puerto de Los Cristianos a la punta de Guindaste
- 6120 (INT 1929) Puerto de Santa Cruz de Tenerife
- 613 Del puerto de Los Cristianos al puerto de Güimar

Spanish Electronic Navigational Charts

- ES 30061 A Gran Canaria y Tenerife
- ES 400604 Aproximos al puerto de Santa Cruz de Tenerife
- ES 506120 Puerto de Santa Cruz de Tenerife

The following publications of the IHM may also be consulted:

- Derrotero nº 4. Islas Canarias y Costa Occidental de Africa
- Libro de Faros y Señales de Niebla, Tomo II

2. FREQUENCIES

- VHF 16 and 74 Exterior Maritime Unit (Tenerife Traffic)
- VHF 12 Interior Maritime Unit (Tenerife Port Control)
- VHF 12 and 14 Corporations of Pilots
- VHF 13 Reserve channel

3. CALL SIGNS

- Exterior Maritime Unit: TENERIFE TRAFICO/ TENERIFE TRAFFIC
- Interior Maritime Unit: CENTRO DE CONTROL DE TENERIFE/ TENERIFE PORT CONTROL
- Corporation of Pilots: PILOTS
- CRST (See 5.84): TENERIFE TRAFICO/ TENERIFE TRAFFIC

4. PROCEDURES

Approach

All the participants approaching the Port of S/C de Tenerife must establish contact with TENERIFE TRAFFIC when 20 miles away or 1 hour before reaching the East Dock's green light, using 16 or 74 VHF. Vessels must provide all the information requested, such as:-

- Name of the ship
- Call sign
- Crew number
- Length
- Beam
- Draught
- Mobile phone No.
- Pilot and/ or tugs if required

Control

"Tenerife Traffic" will request the vessel to establish contact with "Tenerife Port Control" using 12 VHF and to listen on 16/ 74 VHF at all times.

"Tenerife Port Control" will request from the vessel the following information:

- ETA at 3 miles from the green light at the East Dock.
- Conditions on board affecting manoeuvring capability.

Entry

When the vessel is located at 3 miles from the East Dock's green light it must call again the "Tenerife Port Control" (12 VHF) to receive information or instructions. From this moment onwards, channel 12 VHF will be listened to all times.

5. PILOTS

Pilot Service is compulsory for ships above 500 TRB.

Tel. 34 922 27210; 34 922 290760

This service is free of charge

6. TUGS

The vessels needing tug for berthing request it from "Tenerife Port Control",

7. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

Crew's documentation

All crew members must have their National Identification Card or passports.

If they do not belong to the European Community they must have the appropriate Visa. Schengen VISA should have been obtained for the stay at Tenerife. If it is obtained for the stay at Vigo, it will be valid also for Santa Cruz de Tenerife. Military vessels crews are exempted from this formality.

Customs

Ships from countries not belonging to the European Community which need to load or unload material or equipment from or to other countries must advise the Customs Service through their Liaison Officer and the Port Committee.

8. FUEL

Ships wanting fuel must hand over the relevant logistic Form before arriving in Santa Cruz de Tenerife if possible.

Fuel will be available for Class C and D ships from a Service Station located near the port (Paseo Anaga, in front of the Real Club Náutico de Tenerife) (III B).

9. FRESH WATER

This service will be available at the berthing places, from 0800 hrs on 14th May until Noon on 17th May.

All the participants are kindly requested to use it with the maximum economy and preferably by day.

Ships may connect hoses to the supply system existing on the pier. Contact your Liaison Officer if special connectors are needed.

10. ELECTRICITY

Electricity will be available for each berth for Class B, C and D ships.

Monophasic 220/ 230 V.

The connectors available are standard. If special connectors are required, please contact your Liaison Officer.

Class A vessels are requested to supply their own electricity.

11. WASTE

Solid waste may be deposited only in the containers prepared for this purpose on the piers. Garbage will be collected every day early, when necessary.

Adequate containers to deposit oil will also be available.

12. LIAISON OFFICERS

A Liaison Officer, English speaking, will be assigned to each boat.

The assigned Liaison Officer will come on board ship on arrival in port and in the morning on a daily basis.

During the day the Liaison Officer will be at the Liaison Officers Office.

13. Emergency Contacts

For all emergencies:

Emergency Control Centre (Centro de Coordinación y Control)

Tel: 922 596684

Tenerife Port Police:

Tel: 922 605472

14. SHIPS' MAIL

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

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Canary Islands - SPAIN

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SECTION 4

HAMILTON, BERMUDA

FRIDAY 12 JUNE – MONDAY 15 JUNE

1. CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

British Admiralty Hydrographic Office

All British Admiralty Charts for Bermuda have been revised and aligned to WGS84 Datum (meaning satellite derived positions can be plotted directly on these charts) and all depths are now in meters.

Chart No.	Title of Chart Area	Scale
332	Grassy Bay & Great Sound including Little Sound (and Ireland Island, North & South Basins)	1: 12,500
334	North Atlantic Ocean – Bermuda	1: 75,000
360	North Atlantic Ocean – Approaches to Bermuda	1: 300,000
867	North and South Channels to the Great Sound	1: 17,500
868	Eastern & Western Approaches to the Narrows including Murray's Anchorage	1: 17,500
1073	Dundonald Channel to Hamilton Harbour	1: 6,000
1315	Five Fathom Hole, the Narrows and St. George's Harbour	1: 7,500

NIMA (U.S. National Imaging and Mapping Agency)

Chart No.	Title of Chart Area	Scale
26340	Approaches to Bermuda Islands	1: 200,000
26341	Bermuda Islands	1: 50,000
26342	The Narrows to Grassy Bay	1: 17,500
26343	The Narrows and St. George's Harbour	1: 5,000
26344	Great Sound including Dockyard North & South Basins	1: 10,000
26345	Hamilton Harbour	1:6,050

2. FREQUENCIES

Bermuda Radio call sign ZBR is also the Rescue Co-ordination Center (R.C.C.) for the Bermuda area maintaining a continuous listening watch on the international distress and calling frequencies of 2182 kHz, 4125 kHz and VHF Channel 16, plus Digital Selective Calling frequencies of 2187.5 kHz and VHF Channel 70 (MMSI number 003100001). They are in 24 hour contact with Coast Guards and other air-sea rescue centres in North America, Canada, Europe and the Caribbean. Telephone (441) 297-1010, Fax (441) 297-1530 and e-mail: dutyofficer@marops.bm or operations@rccbermuda.bm or INMARSAT Std C 581 431010110 or 584 431010120. Their answerback is `RCC BX. For further information visit their website at www.marops.bm.

Bermuda Radio broadcasts warnings on matters of navigational safety as well as weather information by voice and NAVTEX to an internationally published schedule.

Radiotelegraphy (voice) broadcasts are preceded by an initial announcement on 2182 kHz, 4125 kHz and VHF Channel 16. Full information then follows on 2582 kHz and VHF Channel 27. Broadcast times are (GMT) 0035, 0435, 0835, 1235, 1635 and 2035. Local weather information is included on all scheduled broadcasts. A Continuous Marine Weather Broadcast is available on Marine VHF Weather Channel 2 (162.400 MHz). Weather forecasts issued by

the U.S. National Weather Service for Offshore Waters and High Seas Ocean areas are available upon request.

NAVTEX broadcasts can be received on 518 kHz by selecting station character 'B'. Such broadcasts contain Notices to Mariners and the latest available High Seas and/or South-West North Atlantic and local Bermuda Weather Service. Broadcast times are (GMT) 0010, 0410, 0810, 1210, 1610 and 2010.

Distress, Urgency and Safety traffic is sent on 2182 kHz, 4125 kHz, VHF Channel 16 and NAVTEX 518 kHz immediately upon receipt, and then repeated at the above times for radiotelephony and NAVTEX respectively. Weather forecasts and other information are provided upon request. All services from this station are free of charge.

The following is a list of MF / HF SSB frequencies typically used by Bermuda Radio for routine communications (a continuous watch is maintained on MF DSC as well as R/T 2182 kHz and 4125 kHz).

	Coast Station transmit	Ship Station transmits
Distress / Call & Reply	2182 kHz	2182 kHz
MF Working frequencies	2582 kHz	2049 kHz
ITU Channel 410	4384 kHz	4092 kHz
ITU Channel 603	6507 kHz	6206 kHz
ITU channel 817	8767 kHz	8243 kHz
ITU Channel 1220	13134 kHz	12287 kHz
ITU Channel 1618	17293 kHz	16411 kHz

The following is a list of required VHF channels for radio communications in Bermuda waters: VHF radio should be set for international channels.

Channel 16	Distress / Call & Reply
Channel 27	Bermuda Radio – Duplex working channel
Channel 68	Bermuda Radio – Simplex working channel

The following VHF channels are **NOT** to be used for inter-ship communications:-

Channel 12	Used by ships with Pilot onboard
Channel 10	Used for port operations with tugs and tenders
Channel 22	Used by Bermuda Marine Police
Channel 70	Used exclusively for Digital Selective Calling in accordance with Global Maritime Distress & Safety System (GMDSS) requirements.

3. CALL SIGNS

Bermuda Radio call sign ZBR

4. PROCEDURES

All vessels calling at Bermuda must contact Bermuda Radio 24 hours prior to arrival. Vessels filing an ISPS pre-Arrival form should do so 48 hours prior to arrival using a form which can be e-mailed to the ship. A VHF radio call should then also be made when 30 miles from the Island, giving your ETA and details of any special requirements.

5. PILOTS

Pilots are available during day light hours only. Pilots will be provided for Class A and Class B vessels. Please contact Bermuda Radio on arrival in Bermuda waters for further instructions. Pilots will be provided free of charge.

6. TUGS

There are 3 tugs available, 1 x 1,200 HP and 2 x 3,200 HP in Bermuda and a number of line boats/work boats which are suitable for assisting in the berthing of tall ships. These will be assigned through the Harbour Master upon request. Please indicate your needs prior to arrival (3-hour minimum notice).

7. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

Customs

Pre-clearance in Tenerife, Canary Islands

A Bermuda Customs Office may board your vessel on arrival at Tenerife Port to complete Customs, Immigration and Health controls. Many ships' Masters will have received Bermuda Customs clearance forms Schedule A and forms 49, 81 and 81A prior to arriving in Tenerife. The Customs Clearance process will be greatly assisted if the documents listed below are completed and available.

- Declaration of Health (Schedule A) One set signed by the Ship's Doctor or Master
- Passenger List Two copies signed by the Master or Chief Purser.
The lists must be in alphabetical order with full Names, dates of birth and nationalities.
U.S. Citizens must be listed separately.
Disembarking Passengers must be listed separately.
- Crew List Two copies signed by the Master or Chief Purser.
The lists must be in alphabetical order with full Names, dates of birth and nationalities. Disembarking crew must be listed separately.
- Vessel Report (Form 49) One completed report signed by the Master.
- Crew Declaration (Form 81) One copy and three crew effects lists signed by the Master or Chief Purser.
- Report of Ship's Stores (81A) One report signed by the Master or Chief Purser.
- Clearance from last port Original.
- Deratisation Certificate Retained by Master

Customs Clearance in Bermuda

Vessels arriving in Bermuda from Tenerife will have received relevant customs forms and documentation. Clearance and control formalities will be greatly assisted by ensuring these forms are all completed and ready for Customs. The Master must declare the ship's stores on board on arrival, and each member of crew must declare personal effects, and dutiable goods intended for use on board. The Crew Declaration (Form 81) therefore should be completed for presentation to Customs on arrival in Bermuda.

The most important items for declaration (Form 81) are as follows:

Spirits	quantity in litres
Wine	quantity in litres
Beer	quantity in litres
Perfumes	quantity in litres
Cigars and Cigarillos	quantity in number
Cigarettes	quantity in number
Tobacco	weight in Kgs.
Firearms	quantity in numbers
Ammunition	number of rounds
Animals	species and number
Plants	species (must be retained within vessel).

Any goods intended for landing must be declared separately and produced to the Customs Officers.

Firearms Act

Under this Act, the importation of any firearm, part of a firearm, or ammunition into Bermuda is forbidden except under the authority of a permit granted by the Commissioner of Police. Such a permit will not ordinarily be granted other than in exceptional circumstances. Spear guns and a variety of dangerous weapons are treated as firearms, as are Verrey Pistols and signal guns and no one can legally possess, purchase, acquire or import such weapons in these islands. No spear fishing whatsoever is permitted within one mile of any shore. A diving lung may not be used for this purpose. A spear gun may not be used or imported at any time within Bermuda's waters.

It is nonetheless normal that most non-commercial vessels entering Bermuda will have on board at the very least a Verrey Pistol or signal gun, or perhaps some other firearm. Since a permit for such firearms is not likely to be granted, the procedure is that the ship's master must immediately and voluntarily declare all firearms and ammunition to the Customs clearance officer as soon as he boards the vessel. Depending on the circumstances, the Customs officer will either impound all such firearms and ammunition and return them upon departure of the vessel, or he may decide merely to seal such weapons on board in some appropriate place; he would then check the seal upon departure to ensure it had not been broken. Assuming that a voluntary declaration of firearms is made initially and that, if they were sealed on board, the seal is unbroken upon departure, then there will be no problems. (Note: antique weapons manufactured over 100 years ago can be freely imported into Bermuda without a permit provided the importer can prove they are antique. If in doubt about the definition of a firearm, declare it anyway.) It is a serious criminal offence to import firearms or ammunition into Bermuda without a permit and anyone seeking to do so may be imprisoned or fined heavily, or both.

Misuse of Drugs Act

Importation of, possession of, or dealing with unlawful drugs is an offence. Anyone contravening this Act is liable to fines of up to \$10,000 or 5 years imprisonment or both. Conviction on indictment carries a maximum penalty of a fine or imprisonment for life, or both. This includes marijuana and other "soft" drugs as well as "hard" drugs. All medically prescribed drugs and medications must be declared to the Customs officer on arrival in Bermuda.

Immigration

Travel Documents required for entry into Bermuda

All visitors to Bermuda require the following:-

1. A Return or Onward Ticket or other document of onward transportation to a country to which, at that time, the passenger has right of entry. In the case of those travelling on the tall ships, most of whom will either be sailing in and flying out, or flying in and sailing out, they will require (a) a one-way plane ticket in or out of Bermuda, and (b) for those flying in, a letter from the master of their ship certifying that they will be sailing out of Bermuda on that vessel, with relevant dates.
2. Proof of Citizenship and identification (must be a photographic I.D.) All visitors must carry a valid passport for this purpose.
3. VISAS to enter Bermuda are not required EXCEPT for nationals of the following countries:
Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, China (People's Republic of) (includes holders of Hong Kong Identity Cards. Holders of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. Passports or British National (Overseas) Passports do not require visas for Bermuda), Croatia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia (former) (Nationals of Slovakia travelling on Czechoslovakian passports need visas. Citizens of the Czech Republic do not need visas), Georgia, Haiti, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kampuchea (Cambodia), Kirgizstan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Libya, Macedonia, Republic of Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Nigeria, North Korea, Pakistan, Romania, Russian Federation, Republic of Slovakia, Slovenia, Soviet Union (former), Sri Lanka, Syria, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vietnam (North and South), Yugoslavia (former), Yugoslavia (Serbian Federal Republic of).
4. Other Documents and/or Visas for Onward Transportation – It is very important to remember that all visitors to Bermuda must have – upon arrival – the documents they need to travel to their next destination. Those sailing onward to the U.S. and Canada must have their entry documents for those two countries BEFORE arriving in Bermuda. All non-American participants in the race who plan to enter the United States MUST HAVE A VISA.

Those who are returning to their homeland from Bermuda must have the relevant documents to transit through the U.K. or other European country on their way home.

Crew Changeovers

Persons intending to fly into Bermuda on a one-way ticket for the purpose of joining the crew of one of the participating Tall Ships to depart Bermuda, must have in their possession a letter from the owner or skipper of that Tall Ship certifying that they are a bona fide crew member. This letter must be presented to Immigration officials on arrival at the Bermuda Airport. The owner or skipper of the Tall Ships will therefore be responsible for ensuring that such persons do depart Bermuda by Tall Ship.

8. BUNKERING

General:

Bulk fuel supplies are available in St. George's and Dockyard. Arrangements have been made for all official race entrants to receive duty-free fuel from Rubis Energy (Shell) through the dockside pipeline in Dockyard, or through Esso, by tank truck in St. Georges. Duty-free fuel will not be available at any Esso or Shell gas station. All vessels that anticipate needing fuel should refuel prior to entering Hamilton. Duty free fuel is not available in Hamilton. All fuel supplies must be paid either in cash (Bermuda or U.S. dollars, or by credit card, and prior arrangements can be made through your Liaison Officer. Fueling arrangements can be made through your Liaison Officer.

Bunkering (smaller quantities)

The most convenient time for bunkering will be when in Dockyard & St. George's prior to arrival in Hamilton. All fuel supplies must be paid either in cash (Bermuda or U.S. dollars, or by credit card, and prior arrangements can be made through your Liaison Officer.

Arrangements for bunker supplies should be preferably made directly with the two oil companies in advance of your arrival. Vessels are strongly urged to confirm their requirements and arrangements as soon as possible upon arrival in Bermuda if advanced arrangements have not been made.

The two bulk suppliers in Bermuda are:-

Rubis Energy Bermuda

St. George's

Tel: 441-297-1577 or 441-299-7025

Fax: 441-297-8472

Attn: Dispatcher – Cell: 441-505-7025
(Emergency only)

Esso, Bermuda

Ferry Reach, St. George's

Tel: 441-294-5232

Fax: 441-294-5243

Attn: Stephen Turner
(cell: 534-8461)

Tall Ships 2009 Atlantic Challenge-Bermuda strongly recommends that the Tall Ships try and refuel at the Dockyard facility, as it will be delivered direct by pipeline and therefore less expensive.

9. FRESH WATER

Fresh water can be taken on in St. George's, Dockyard and Hamilton. However, ships are advised that it is preferable to take on fresh water in St. George's or Dockyard, prior to entering Hamilton Harbour on June 11th. Water is generally delivered by tank truck, each carrying 900 Imperial Gallons (1,000 US Gallons). Taking on water in Hamilton is possible, but difficult, due to the crowded dock facilities.

Requests for water should be made upon your arrival in Bermuda, through your Liaison Officer.

Water Suppliers:-

James Water Services

Tel: 441-238-0046 e-mail: jws@northrock.bm

Everett M. Powell

Tel: 441-232-3444

Darby's Water Service

Tel: 441-236-6815 e-mail: darbyswater@logic.bm

Triton Water Service

Tel: 441-232-6631 e-mail: tritonwater@transact.bm

10. ELECTRICITY

Electrical power will be available.

Any vessel requiring shore power should request this service before leaving Tenerife.

For further assistance, contact your Liaison Officer. No DC power is available in Bermuda. Bermuda is locked into the U.S. Power Grid System. 110 AC and 220 AC are available.

11. WASTE

Sewage Disposal: The disposal of sewage is strictly prohibited in all inshore waters of Bermuda. All race entrants should be fitted with holding tanks to contain sewage for several days, until discharged in authorized locations, or they should have U.S. Coast Guard approved marine sanitation devices Type 1 or 2, in accordance with current U.S. Coast Guard requirements. Sewage can be discharged, if necessary, by Class C & D vessels at the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club. Some large vessels can discharge sewage directly into the city system in

Hamilton at specified points along the Front Street docks. Information on sewage disposal will be available through Liaison Officers.

R.B.Y.C. Dock Master: Tel: 441-295-2214 Ext. 110

Solid Waste (Garbage): Dumpsters (skips) will be on docks adjacent to where ships will be berthed. Should any vessel be at anchor, dumpsters will be placed at dinghy/tender landings. Bermuda separates solid waste for recycling. Black bags are for general waste, blue bags for CANS AND GLASS BOTTLES ONLY. Those ships currently separating garbage should continue to do so. Dumpsters on shore will be marked accordingly.

A small supply of black and blue bags will be available to each vessel ON ARRIVAL to supplement their own stock.

Toxic Waste Disposal

Hazardous Waste: Should any ship need to dispose of hazardous waste on arrival, the Master must inform Bermuda Radio well before arrival in Bermuda waters, so that appropriate arrangements for collection can be made.

Toxic Materials: Toxic waste is not permitted to come ashore in Bermuda as we have nowhere to dispose of it.

12. POLLUTION

Bermuda oil pollution legislation imposes strict control over the discharge of oil, oily waters or sewage. Any vessel causing or sighting such pollution is required immediately to report all details to Bermuda Radio / RCC Bermuda by VHF Channel 16 or by telephone 441-297-1010. The Liaison Officer should also be informed. The discharge of raw sewage into Bermuda waters is against the law. All Tall Ships must discharge their sewage holding tanks prior to entering Bermuda waters. Sewage disposal facilities will be available if needed while in Bermuda.

13. FENDERS AND GANGWAYS

Fenders will be provided for the larger vessels. Smaller vessels will be expected to provide their own fenders.

14. EMERGENCIES

MEDICAL, AMBULANCE, PARAMEDIC, POLICE, FIRE AND MARINE RESCUE

ALL EMERGENCIES SHOULD BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY ON THE VHF CHANNEL 16 TO BERMUDA RADIO OR BY TELEPHONING 911 AND ASKING FOR THE APPROPRIATE SERVICE:-

**FIRE
POLICE
AMBULANCE / PARAMEDIC
MARINE RESCUE (RCC)**

Bermuda Radio / RCC Bermuda will co-ordinate any vessel, crew or water-based emergency response that may be required during the event, and are available on a 24-hour basis. Tel No. **911 for EMERGENCIES**, OR 441-297-1010 or VHF Channel 16.

Emergencies at Sea

Any emergency while at sea should be reported to Rescue Co-ordination Center, Bermuda at any of the following contact numbers:-

Telephone: 441-297-1010
Fax: 441-297-1530
INMARSAT-C TELEX 581-431010110 RCCB X
584 431010120 RCCB X
E-mail: operations@rccbermuda.bm or dutyofficer@marops.bm

RCC Bermuda/Bermuda Radio also listens continuously on the following radio frequencies:-

2,182 kHz VHF Channel 16
4,125 kHz VHF Channel 27

GMDSS A1 and A2 listening watch (VHF Channel 70 and 2,187.5 kHz is also maintained). Contact Bermuda Radio using MMSI number 003100001.

15. LIAISON OFFICERS

A comprehensive liaison system has been established to assist you and your crew in every way possible during your visit. The chief liaison officer, Mr. Chris Sposato, is in charge of all liaison arrangements, and he supervises the system from the Liaison Office, which is located in the operations centre at No. 1 Berth, Hamilton.

A Liaison Officer is assigned exclusively to each Class A and B vessel. In the case of smaller vessels, the liaison officer may be assigned to deal with more than one vessel. Your Liaison Officer will board on arrival and will be available to advise and assist you with day to day needs for the duration of your visit. In his (or her) absence, any emergencies should be referred to the Operations Centre Tel. No. 295----, VHF Channel ---- call sign COMMS CENTRE

16. OFFICES

Prior to your arrival, all inquiries should be directed to:

Tall Ships Bermuda Limited
L.P. Gutteridge Building
34 Par-la-Ville Road
Hamilton HM 08
Bermuda

Postal address: P.O. Box HM 703, Hamilton HM CX, Bermuda

Tel: +441-296-2238

Email: info@tallships.bm

17. SHIPS' MAIL

All correspondence for the Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge vessels in Bermuda should be addressed to:-

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

c/o General Delivery, GPO

Church Street

Hamilton, Bermuda HM 12

Mail will be collected by the Mail Liaison Officer and delivered to the Race Headquarters, for onward delivery to the vessel by the Liaison Officer.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bermuda. More details can be found in the Captain's Manual on our website www.tallshipsbermuda.com

SECTION 5

CHARLESTON

THURSDAY 25 JUNE – MONDAY 29 JUNE

1. CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

A chart of the entrance to Charleston Harbor with prepared courses will be enclosed in the Charleston Captains Manual. The Captains Manual will be made available online.

2. FREQUENCIES

VHF Channel 16 is the principal Charleston Harbour operations frequency and should be used as the hailing channel for all communications. Subsequent correspondences should be made on a working channel.

3. CALL SIGNS

Please refer to the Captain's Manual for this information.

4. PROCEDURES

Detailed procedures will be outlined in the Charleston Captains Manual to be provided online. Please read the procedures carefully.

5. PILOTS

Pilots will be arranged as needed. Detailed procedures for pilot assistance will be outlined in the Charleston Captains Manual. Please read the procedures carefully.

6. TUGS

Tugs will provide assistance as needed. Detailed procedures for tug assistance will be outlined in the Charleston Captains Manual. Please read the procedures carefully.

7. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

Customs

There are several US Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) documents which need to be processed as soon as possible. In order for your arrival into the US to go smoothly, it will be critical that these documents be completely filled out well in advance prior to arrival.

These forms consist of:

CBP Form I-418
CBP Form 1300
CBP Form 1303
CBP Form 1304

CBP Form I-95 is number specific and cannot be emailed. Please provide the Charleston Harbor Fest office with a proper mailing address in order for these forms to be delivered to you. Please return these forms to the Charleston Harbor Fest office as soon as possible.

USCG, Customs, and Immigration officers will inspect ships upon arrival in Charleston. All crew and passengers must remain on the vessel until it is cleared by USCG, Customs, and Immigrations. Please see section 11 for important details about garbage guidelines upon arrival which must be followed to avoid fines.

Vessels may be allowed to sell promotional merchandise aboard the vessel only.

Immigration

Each member and passenger must have a valid visa or proof of US Citizenship. A US Passport is considered proof of US Citizenship.

These additional documents will be required to be signed and in hand upon arrival:

Ship's Register
International Tonnage Certificate
Load Line Certificate
Safety Equipment Certificate
Certificate of Financial Responsibility (COFR)
Tonnage Tax/ User Fees Receipt
Clearance from Last Port

Non-Military vessels only are required to submit an electronic Notice of Arrival (e/NOA) to the National Vessel Movement Center. This MUST be submitted a MINIMUM of 96 hours prior to your arrival in Charleston. The e/NOA must be submitted online, and information is available at www.nvmc.uscg.gov.

Military Vessels only are required to register with the Diplomatic Clearance Application System - Maritime (DCAS-M), and the required information must be submitted into this system. Access to DCAS-M is available at www.dcas.state.gov.

8. BUNKERING

Bunkering will be provided as needed. Detailed procedures for bunkering will be provided in the Charleston Captains Manual. Please read the procedures carefully. Requests for bunkering must be made in advance and must be paid for by the vessel.

Vessels moored at the Maritime Center will follow fuelling guidelines as detailed in the Charleston Captain's Manual.

Vessels moored at Patriots Point will follow fuelling guidelines as detailed in the Charleston Captain's Manual.

9. FRESH WATER

Fresh water will be available free of charge to all vessels during their stay in Charleston. Procedures for water hook-up are detailed in the Charleston Captains Manual.

10. ELECTRICITY

No electricity will be provided at the Port Terminal. Electricity is available in 30amp and 50amp with US connections at the Maritime Center and Patriots Point locations. Each vessel must provide its own electric cordage.

11. WASTE

INSPECTION

Our agricultural/garbage inspectors are very strict and can levy heavy fines on your ship, so please follow these simple rules. After arriving in Charleston, do not remove any waste from the ship until after your ship has been inspected. When the ship has cleared, please place the garbage **entirely inside** the containers designated International Trash.

Do not have any food items sitting opened when you berth in Charleston.

SOLID WASTE

Each vessel is responsible for disposing of its trash daily in the containers provided ashore.

LIQUID WASTE

No liquid waste may be disposed of in Charleston Harbor. Ships are requested to dispose of as much liquid waste as possible prior to entry into Charleston Harbor in accordance with International Regulations. Pumpout arrangements may be made dockside. Please contact Liaison Ships Agent Gary Santos for pumpout at the Ports Authority Passenger Terminal. At the Charleston Maritime Center contact an employee.

SPECIAL WASTE

Special Waste e.g. oils, paint, spirits, batteries, etc must be disposed of in accordance with the SC State Port Authority Waste Management Plan and US Environmental Protection Agency regulations. Advise Liaison Ships Agent Gary Santos of your requirements for special collection.

12. POLLUTION

Oil pollution legislation imposes strict control over the discharge of oily mixtures and wastes. Any vessel causing or sighting such pollution is obliged to report immediately all details to the port authorities.

13. FENDERS AND GANGWAYS

Each Ship is responsible for providing their own fenders and gangways in order for passengers to get on and off the vessel safely.

14. EMERGENCIES

Emergency at Sea- Contact USCG at VHF Channel 16 and SSB Radio 406 MHz.

USCG monitors VHF Channel 16

USCG telephone:

Search/Rescue Emergencies (843) 724-7616

For Non-Emergencies (843) 724-7600

The United States Coast Guard Emergency Response will be activated for the following vessel emergencies in the harbor:

- Fire & explosion
- Vessel collision/sinking
- Vessel grounding
- Serious injury, illness or death
- Bomb threat/terrorist incident
- Reportable dangerous occurrences
- Oil (Hydrocarbon) spillage

**For onshore emergencies, please refer to the Charleston Captain's Manual.

15. LIAISON OFFICERS

Your LO will meet your vessel when you have berthed in Charleston. The Charleston Liaison Officers are experienced volunteers from the sailing community.

The LO will provide you with essential information, much of which is contained within the Captains' Handbook, and will keep you up-to-date with any revised or new material throughout your stay in Charleston.

Your LO will be pleased to assist you with any queries you may have and to help you with various arrangements that will be required during your stay.

16. OFFICES

Prior to your arrival, all inquiries should be directed to:

Charleston Harbor Fest
Attention: Danny Havens
480 East Bay Street, Suite F
Charleston, SC 29401
USA

Mailing Address:
PO Box 22405
Charleston, SC 29413
USA
Tel: +1 (843) 722-1030 ext. 18
Email: dhavens@scmaritime.org

17. SHIPS' MAIL

[Name of Individual]
[Name of Vessel]
Charleston Harbor Fest
10 Wharfside
Charleston, SC 29401
USA

**For anything over 10 lbs (Approx 4.5 kg), please email Dhavens@scmaritime.org well in advance for instructions.

We look forward to welcoming you to Charleston

SECTION 6

BOSTON
WEDNESDAY 8 JULY – MONDAY 13 JULY

[Details to follow]

We look forward to welcoming you to Boston

SECTION 7

HALIFAX

THURSDAY 16 JULY – MONDAY 20 JULY

1. CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

A chart of the entrance to Halifax with prepared courses will be enclosed in the Captains Manual. This will be issued at the Captains' Briefing in Boston on 13 July and will also be available for downloading on the Captains' Page at:

<http://www.sailtraininginternational.org/page.asp?partid=852>

2. FREQUENCIES

VHF channel 14 is to be used until ships reach Chebucto Head at which time the principal VHF for communications will be 12. The working channel for the Dockmaster Crew during the event is be 16A.

3. CALL SIGNS

The call sign is "Halifax Port". Call sign for Tall Ships Dockmaster Crew is "Dockmaster"

4. PROCEDURES

Call "MCTS Halifax Traffic" when reaching the traffic control approaches. When 2 hours from Halifax confirm ETA to "Halifax Traffic" via VHF channel 14 and confirm what assistance you need (tug – pilot – boatmen)

5. PILOTS

Harbour pilots are available at all times. Piloting is provided by the Atlantic Pilotage Authority.

Pilot Station is at Latitude 44 31"24 N, Longitude 63 30'24"W

Arrival notice for a pilot must be placed 12 hrs prior, with a confirmation of 3 hrs.

VHF channel 23

Telex: 01921500

Fax: 1-877-745-3477

e-mail: dispatch@atlanticpilotage.com

Telephone: 1-877-272-3477

Immarsat Users:

Telephone: 1-902-426-7610

Fax: 1-902-426-7236

Departure/ moveage notice 5 hrs with confirmation 1 hour.

Vessels transiting Halifax Harbour must indicate air draft.

Rules regarding Ordering Pilots for Departures and Movages for Halifax

1. Departure and moveage notice will remain at 5 hrs with confirmation at 1 hr.

2. No change to the ETD
3. At the 1-hr confirmation, the departure/movage may be altered twice, but the second altered time becomes the time at which the pilot will be ordered to service the vessel.
4. If the vessel has not departed/moved within 1 hour of the time for which the pilot is ordered, the pilot will report to the dispatch office. He may then leave the vessel or be assigned to another vessel. Another pilot will be dispatched to the vessel as soon as one becomes available.

(Pilotage Dispatch Supervisor Jim Guptill 902-426-4733)

Pilots are free of charge.

6. TUGS

Tug support may be available at no cost during the day with the support of naval auxiliary tugs. During after-hours, ships are responsible for hiring a tug if they so require.

7. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

Customs

The Pre-Arrival Notification is to be sent to Canada Customs no later than 96 hours in advance if arriving from a port outside of North America, and at the time of departure for any other port that is less than 96 hours away from Halifax. It must include the following information:

- Name and call sign of ship;
- Total number of passengers
- Total number of crew
- Arrival date and time
- Departure date and time; and
- Expiry dates for ship's inspection certificates

Please include a copy of the crew and/or passenger list with the notification (see below for details). This information can be easily submitted by e-mail to www.Targeting.CruiseLines@ccra-adrc.gc.ca or by fax to 902-426-3339.

We request that you submit a copy of your crew list as soon as the information is available. Changes to the crew list can be made at time of submission of the vessel pre-arrival notification (96 hours in advance of arrival). It should be noted that the final crew list must be submitted at arrival in Halifax as part of the inward clearance report. The crew list must include the following information:

- Family and given names;
- Rank;
- Country of citizenship;
- Country of residence;
- Date and place of birth; and
- Type and number of identity document

Should there be any passengers on board, they must be listed on a separate page. This list must contain the following:

- Family and given names;
- Date of birth;
- Country of citizenship;
- Country of residence; and
- Passport and visa number (where required)

The following Canada Customs forms must be completed and presented to Customs upon arrival in Halifax:

- General Declaration
- Ships Stores Declaration
- Crew List
- Passenger List
- Crew and Passenger Effects Declaration

Importing Goods

Prohibited goods: obscene printed materials, child pornography, hate propaganda, narcotics, counterfeit money, automatic firearms, and offensive weapons not accompanied by appropriate documentation.

Restricted goods: Restricted goods may be brought into Canada if an appropriate permit, certificate, licence, or other specific required documents have been issued, and if the goods meet certain safety standards.

Controlled goods: Controlled goods include endangered species of animals and plants and any item made out of them. You may need a CITES (Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna) permit to enter Canada. Canada has made an international commitment to help control the international trade of wild animal and plant species. Environment Canada is responsible for issuing these permits.

Customs officers may inspect ships for prohibited goods.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding Customs procedures, please feel free to contact Customs in Halifax at the following numbers:

Halifax Marine Operations (902) 426-2071

Fax (902) 426-3339

General Inquiries (506) 636-5064

Immigration

A current crew list must be provided on arrival.

Documentation Requirements

Crew members: Foreign nationals **who arrive in Canada on the vessel** as crew must be in possession of a seaman's book and or a passport.

Any crew members entering Canada **to become** a member of a crew (i.e. By air) must have all the appropriate documentation including passport and visa if required.

Passengers/Supernumeraries: Foreign nationals who are not considered members of the crew are subject to normal passport and visa requirements. Even if non-crew members do not intend to go ashore while the vessel is in port, they are still required to comply with applicable visa and passport requirements.

For the definition of who is considered a member of a crew please refer to Section 3(1)(a), Part 1 of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations. This information, along with visa requirements and list of Canadian Visa offices abroad, can be found at our website: www.cic.gc.ca.

To be admitted to Canada foreign nationals must meet all admissibility criteria under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and its Regulations. Failure to comply could result in enforcement action.

8. BUNKERING

Fuelling is to be arranged by individual ships with the Waterfront Development Corporation Limited or the ship's agent.

9. FRESH WATER

Fresh water will be available in areas of the Halifax waterfront. .

Please contact the following for the delivery of fresh water in bulk.

Halifax Water Commission Carl Yates/Bob White 490-4840
P & R MacLean's Water & Trucking Ltd 1-888-686-0660
Beaver Bank Water supply 865-5219

10. ELECTRICITY

The Canadian standard electrical supply is 115 V. at 60 Hz.

Limited electrical outlets will be available for the use by vessels at no charge. Each duplex outlet will provide 115 volts/60 Hz, at 15 amperes.

11. WASTE

Collection of Domestic Garbage will take place overnight. All Domestic Garbage for disposal must be ashore by 0200. Contact your Liaison Officer for specific locations.

International Garbage must be kept separate. Ships requiring International Garbage disposal must make their own arrangements for disposal. For details contact your Liaison Officer.

12. POLLUTION

It is prohibited to discharge overboard into the water any oily bilge water or any other substance which may be harmful to the environment.

In the case of an accidental spill or discharge, this must be reported immediately to the Coast Guard pollution desk at 426-6030 or to Halifax Traffic via VHF channel 12.

13. FENDERS AND GANGWAYS

Vessels are expected to provide their own fenders and means of access to the shore.

14. EMERGENCIES

In the event of a civil emergency telephone 911. The Operations Headquarters and Vessel Control Centre is staffed 24 hours per day and may be contacted at 492-1257 or 492-1259. The Centre will monitor VHF Channel 72. Halifax Traffic monitors VHF Channel 12 & 14 & 16 24 hours a day.

15. LIAISON OFFICERS

The Liaison Officers (LOs) for Tall Ships Nova Scotia 2009 are part of the Liaison Committee. Each of the LOs were chosen from a large pool of volunteers who wanted to contribute their time and skills toward the well-being and enjoyment of the participants.

The prime duty of the Liaison Officer is to act as an interface between the Captains of the visiting ships and the host port. Each Liaison Officer is committed to ensuring that our guests, the officers, crews, and cadets, have full access to the events and services that are part of the festivities surrounding their visit.

The LOs will meet their ships on arrival in Halifax and they are prepared to assist the officers and crew in securing the products and services required to support the ships requirements at this point in their journey.

The Liaison Officers teams have been specifically designed to include civilian volunteers and members of the Canadian Navy to provide the balance of skills necessary to address the requirements from both the civilian and military ships attending.

The Liaison Officers will operate from two Liaison Officers Centres. One will be located onboard HMCS Sackville at the Sackville Landing and the second will operate from an office in the South End of the Harbour by Pier 20. These will be the contact points for the Liaison Officers Management Team and will provide coordination services for the LOs.

The LO Centres will be open by 07:00 on the morning of the 16th and it will be manned daily from 07:00 until the last events of the day have been completed (~22:00)

16. OFFICES

Prior to your arrival, all inquiries should be directed to:

Tall Ships Nova Scotia Festival – Project Office
1549 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax, NS, Canada
B3J 1S2

Postal address: Tall Ships Nova Scotia Festival – Project Office
PO Box 2301,
Halifax Central,
Halifax, NS
B3J 3C8

Tel: (902)-405-7700

Email: info@tallshipsnovascotia.com

17. SHIPS' MAIL

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Tall Ships Nova Scotia Festival – Project Office
1549 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
Halifax, NS, Canada
B3J 1S2

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SECTION 8

BELFAST

THURSDAY 13 AUGUST – SUNDAY 16 AUGUST

1. CHARTS AND PUBLICATIONS

Belfast Harbour Charts: 1752 (Approaches to Belfast) and 1753 (Belfast Lough and Approaches).

A chart of the entrance to Belfast with prepared courses will be enclosed in the Captains Book and is also available for download from the Port of Belfast Website (<http://www.belfast-harbour.co.uk>) in the Pilotage Manual, which can be found in the Belfast Marine Safety Management System section.

2. FREQUENCIES

VHF channel 12 is the principal port operations frequency and should be used for all arrival communications and Pilotage requests.

3. CALL SIGNS

The call sign is “Belfast Harbour Radio”.

4. PROCEDURES

Call “Belfast Harbour Radio” 2 hours in advance and inform Belfast Port of ETA and any assistance required for example tugs, pilot, boatmen.

Procedures are as per Belfast Harbour Commissioners (BHC) VTS Manual, available in the Belfast Marine Safety Management System at Port of Belfast Website: www.belfast-harbour.co.uk

5. PILOTS

Harbour pilots are available at all times. A pilot should be ordered at least two hours in advance. Pilotage requirements are as per BHC Pilotage Manual.

Pilot age costs are not for the vessels account.

6. TUGS

Towage requirements have not been pre-determined. Tugs and boats will be supplied upon vessel’s request. A short boat/tug assessment will be carried out to match availability with requirements. Cost of Tugs is not for the vessels account.

7. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

As per national regulations, more details to follow.

8. BUNKERING

Quay for bunkering will be advised at a later date.

9. FRESH WATER

Fresh water will be available 24 hours per day to all event vessels during their stay in Belfast. Cost of fresh water is not for the vessels account.

10. ELECTRICITY

Electricity is available on all quaysides, although larger vessels will be encouraged to use their own generators. Cost of supplied electricity is not for the vessels account.

11. WASTE

Once the ships come into Harbour, the waste onboard should be delivered immediately to the waste collection facilities provided. During the days in Belfast, waste may be disposed of in containers along the quayside.

Black water may be collected by road tanker. Please contact your Liaison Officer (see 15) to order this service.

12. POLLUTION

Oil pollution legislation imposes strict control over the discharge of oily mixtures and wastes. Any vessel causing or sighting such pollution is obliged to report immediately all details to the port authorities. Belfast Harbour Radio should also be informed.

13. FENDERS AND GANGWAYS

Vessels are expected to provide their own fenders and means of access to the shore.

14. EMERGENCIES

All emergencies should be reported immediately on VHF channel 12 to "Belfast Harbour Radio". Police emergency phone number is +44 (0)28 9055 3000.

15. LIAISON OFFICERS

Belfast will be providing a significant, knowledgeable network of vessel liaison officers. These officers will be allocated to vessels in advance and ships will be notified.

16. OFFICES

c/o Kevin Grant
Belfast Tall Ships 2009 Ltd
c/o Events unit
Development Department
The Cecil Ward Building
4-10 Linenhall Street
Belfast, BT2 8BP
UK

Telephone:

+44 2890270444

Email:

tall.ships@belfastcity.gov.uk

Web address:

www.belfasttallships2009.com

17. SHIPS' MAIL

Fleet's last full day in port: Saturday 15 August

[Name of Individual]

[Name of Vessel]

Tall Ships Atlantic Challenge 2009

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We look forward to welcoming you to Belfast



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