



SHETLAND RACE

Notice of Race Shetland Race 2025

Bergen - Shetland Races 2025

The Bergen Shetland Races 2024, incorporating a rally for cruising boats, will be conducted on the waters of Bergen, the North Sea and the approach to Lerwick Harbour and vice versa.

The race is organized and conducted by:

Vestland Seilkrets (the Vestland Sailing Association of Norway)

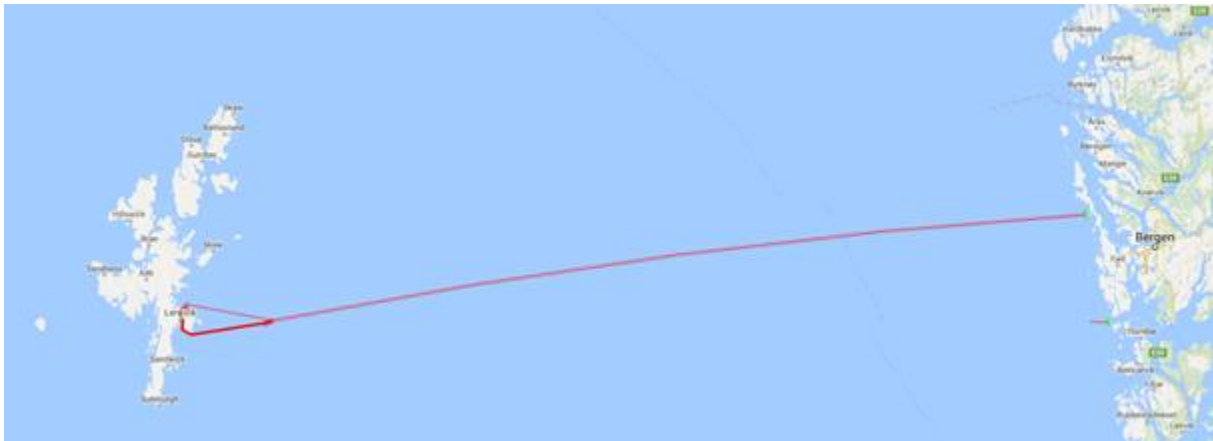
with the cooperation of

the Lerwick Boating Club of Shetland.

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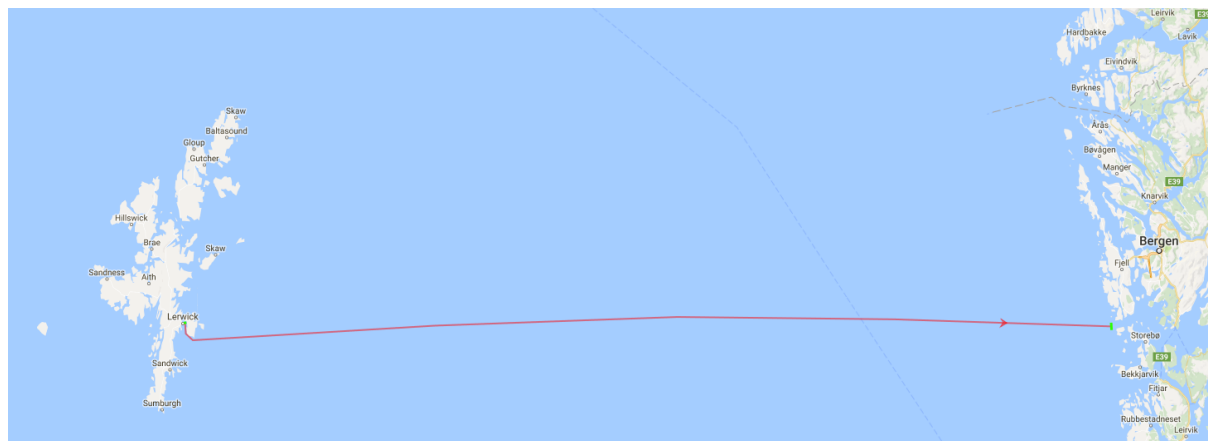
The warning signal for the race Bergen -> Shetland

will be at 1055 UTC (1255 CEST) on Wednesday 18th of June 2025. The start of the race will be west of Rongesundet, north of Bergen, Norway and the finish will be in Lerwick Harbour, Shetland. The race is a 187 nautical mile passage race.



The warning signal for the return race to Bergen

will be at 1555 UTC (1655 BST) on Saturday 21st of June 2025. The start of the return race will be in Lerwick Harbour, Shetland and the finish will be in outer Korsfjorden, south of Bergen, Norway. The return race is a 187 nautical mile passage race.



Details of the courses will be included in the Sailing Instructions (“SI”).

2 RULES

2.1 General

The race is regulated under [World Sailing OSR Category 3 race with Life Raft 2024-2025](#).

Attention: Significant changes, effective January 2021:

Extract:

3.29 Communications Equipment, GPS, Radar, AIS

3.29.13 an AIS Transponder which either:

3.29.13 a) shares the masthead VHF via a low loss AIS antenna splitter; or

3.29.13 b) has a dedicated AIS antenna not less than 38 cm (15”) in length mounted with its base not less than 3 m (10 ') above the Waterline and co-axial feeder cable with no more than 40 % power loss.

Amendments to category 3 with Life Raft:

At least the skipper or one crew member shall have ISAF Approved Offshore Personal Survival Training course.

Boats carrying propane are required by Lerwick Harbour to have a gas detector installed.

The race will be governed by the current versions of:

- [The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\) for 2025-2028](#)
- [The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea \(IRPCAS\)](#)
- [World Sailing Equipment Rules of Sailing](#)
- [World Sailing OSR Category 3 race with Life Raft 2024-2025](#)

This Notice of Race (“NoR”), except as any of these are modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 International Regulations

Whilst a boat in the Cruising Division is operating under its engine, the relevant parts of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea will replace the rules of RRS, Part 2 in their application to that boat.

2.3 Amendments

The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Amendments will be published on the event website (www.shetlandrace.no). Amendments will also be sent to all entrants.

2.4 Sailing Instructions

The Sailing Instructions ("SI") will be published on the event website Tuesday 10th of June 2025.

A paper printout of SI is available for each yacht at the skippers meeting in Bergen. Thereafter, the Sailing Instructions will be available on request.

3 Tracking

An online race viewer will be available during the races.

4 Respite system

All yachts will compete in NOR-rating handicap system.

5 Crew limit

Every entered boat in the race shall have following number of crew:

Full Crew Classes - minimum 3 crewmembers.

"Double Handed" - 2 crewmembers.

6 Skippers meeting and Prize giving

Skippers meeting Bergen: Tuesday 17th of June.

Prize giving Lerwick: Friday 20st of June.

Skippers meeting Lerwick: Saturday 21st of June.

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