

SOSDAS (SIGN-ON, STAND-DOWN, ABANDON SAFE)

SOSDAS forms the core of the Sea-Safety policy for all BMYC Promoted Offshore Races. It is imperative that organisers know:

- which boats have put-to-sea
- which boats have arrived at the destination port
- which boats have turned back or headed for an alternative port of safety

FOUNDATION INFORMATION

SOSDAS is an acronym formed of the initial letters of three possible outcomes of your passage during the race:

Sign On – To confirm to the Organising Authority your boat has put-to-sea.

Stand Down – To confirm to the Organising Authority your boat has arrived at the intended port of destination.

Abandon Safe – To confirm to the Organising Authority your boat has arrived at a safe haven other than the intended port of destination.

- No later than 12:00hrs on the day before the outbound passage, the Person-in-Charge shall register sea safety information via completing Online Entry (See Notice of Race/Guidance Notes as applicable for details):
 - Register nominated contact mobile telephone number for the boat (SOSDAS Registered Boat Contact Number)
 - Boat type, hull colour, sail number (if any), MMSI number
 - Number of persons on-board over 18 years of age (Adults)
 - Number of persons on-board under 18 years of age (Minors)
 - Name and contact telephone number of the nominated shoreside contact
- it is recommended the shoreside contact holds name, address, and next-of-kin details for each person on-board. The organisers will not require these details.
- it is imperative all boats confirm putting to sea and arriving at Port of Intended Destination/arriving at an Alternative Port of Safety via the SOSDAS procedure.
- Please Note: SOSDAS time format is BST - Please use BST format taken from the yachts GPS for all SOSDAS notifications; please follow any times mentioned in your message with the designatory letters 'BST'.
- We will notify search and rescue services of all boats deemed to be missing at sea. Details of each competing boat will be passed to rescue services
- Please remember to Stand-Down your Shoreside Contact Person ASAP following arrival at Safe Haven, this may save unnecessary concern by your Shoreside Contact and unnecessary telephone calls to the organisers and/or rescue services.

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SOSDAS Number (above) shall not be used for any communication matter, other than matters relating to safety of boats at sea.

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SOSDAS REGISTRATION

BOAT MOBILE PHONE

Register the boat mobile phone No later than 12:00hrs on the day before the outbound passage

- Send text message to the SOSDAS number (above) in the format:
- Boat Name [Space] REGISTER SOSDAS;
- e.g. My Boat REGISTER SOSDAS.
- Receive confirmation text in the format (May not respond immediately):
- RECEIVED Boat Name [Space] REGISTER SOSDAS;
- e.g. RECEIVED My Boat REGISTER SOSDAS.

The Boat's mobile phone registered for SOSDAS must be able to send and receive SMS messages in UK and France.

SIGN-ON

ON PUTTING TO SEA

- Send text message to the SOSDAS number (above) in the format:
- Boat Name [Space] SIGN ON [Space] Time hh:mm:ss BST;
- e.g. My Boat SIGN ON 05:36:22 BST
- Receive confirmation text in the format (May not respond immediately):
- RECEIVED Boat Name [Space] SIGN ON [Space] Time hh:mm:ss BST;
- e.g. RECEIVED My Boat SIGN ON 05:36:22 BST

STAND-DOWN

ON ARRIVAL AT PORT OF DESTINATION

- Send text message to the SOSDAS number (above) in the format:
- Boat Name [Space] STAND DOWN [Space] Time hh:mm:ss BST;
- e.g. My Boat STAND DOWN 21:4:536 BST
- Receive confirmation text in the format (May not respond immediately):
- RECEIVED Boat Name [Space] STAND DOWN [Space] Time hh:mm:ss BST;
- e.g. RECEIVED My Boat STAND DOWN 21:46:53 BST

ABANDON-SAFE

ON ARRIVAL AT ALTERNATIVE SAFE HAVEN)

A boat NOT completing the intended course, insodoing making for any other port than the designated destination port - On arrival at alternative safe haven 'ABANDON SAFE' by:

- Send text message to the SOSDAS number (above) in the format:
- Boat Name [Space] ABANDON SAFE;
- e.g. My Boat ABANDON SAFE
- Receive confirmation text in the format (May not respond immediately):
- RECEIVED Boat Name [Space] ABANDON SAFE;
- e.g. RECEIVED My Boat ABANDON SAFE