SHETLAND RACE

Notice of Race Shetland Race 2027

The Bergen Shetland Races 2027, 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.

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).*

1.2 *Norwegian Sports Federations rules regarding Anti-Doping Code. Responsible person onboard is responsible for informing all crewmembers.*

1.3 The latest version of the following rules will also apply:

a) IMS Rules

b) ORC Rating Systems Rules

d) World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) for Category 3 with following additions:

i) Life raft complying with OSR Category 2 is required.

ii) Boat's AIS shall be active from the first day of equipment inspection until the end of the event.

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

This changes OSR 4.04.

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

1.5 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.

1.6 A breach of RRS 56.2 shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.

1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text takes precedence.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 *J1.3(3)*
The Sailing Instructions ("SI") will be published on the event website Tuesday 15th of June 2027. 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 COMMUNICATION

3.1
The online official notice board is located www.shetlandrace.no

3.2
Skippers meeting Bergen: Tuesday 22nd of June.

Skippers meeting Lerwick: Saturday 26th of June

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 *J1.1(4)**
Cruising class: The event is open to all boats fulfilling safety category for the race

4.2 *J1.1(4)**
Racing Class: The event is open to all boats with valid *ORC* certificates with *0,8000 to 1,8000 APH* handicap(s).

4.3 *J1.1(4)**
The *ORC rating rules* applies to boats racing under *Racing classes.*

4.4
Classes are defined as follows:

Racing DH	ORC DH certificate	Class 1
Racing	ORC Std certificate	Class 2 – 4
Cruising	Scratch	

4.6
Boats may enter the event by registering online at ShetlandRace.no

4.7
To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

4.8
Registration deadline: 1st of May 2027.
Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions:
Register within 1st of June at an extra cost of NOK 1000.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees (including Lerwick *Harbour Fee*) are as follows:
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Class	*Price NOK*
Fully crewed	*6000*
Doublehand	*5000*
One way	*NOK 1000 deduction*

Boats registered before 31st of December 2026 will receive a "Shetland Race Belt" for every crewmember onboard.

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1 The following crew limitations apply:
Full Crew Classes - minimum 3 crewmembers.
"Double Handed" - 2 crewmembers.
Note: Maximum no of crew onboard is what is stated for design category A on the builders plate if the boat is designed according to ISO 12217-1.
In this case the crew limits in the ORC certificate do not apply.

7 ADVERTISING

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority. See World Sailing Advertising Code.
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8 SCHEDULE

8.1 Registration:

Date	From	To	Place
22nd of June	*16:00*	*18:00*	*Bergen*

(local time)

8.2 Skippers meeting:

Date	From	To	Place
22nd of June	*19:00*	*20:00*	*Bergen*
26th of June	*14:00*	*14:30*	*Lerwick*

(local time)

8.3 Equipment inspection and event measurement:
Skippers will be contacted by the safety officer.

8.4 Dates of racing:

Date	Leg	Place
23rd of June	*1 To Shetland*	*Bergen*
26th of June	*2 To Bergen*	*Lerwick*

8.5 The scheduled time of warning signal for the race

Date	Leg	Time	
23rd of June	*1 To Shetland*	*12:55 CEST*	*10:55 UTC*
26th of June	*2 To Bergen*	*16:55 BST*	*15:55 UTC*

10 **EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

10.1 Each boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid rating certificate.

10.3 Boats may be inspected at any time.

12 **VENUE**

12.1 NoR Addendum *A* shows the plan of the event venue.

12.2 NoR Addendum *B* shows the location of the racing areas.

13 **COURSES**

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LEG 1: The start of the race will be in outer Korsfjorden, south of Bergen, Norway and the finish will be in Lerwick Harbour, Shetland.
The race is a 187 nautical mile passage race.

LEG 2: 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.

14 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1 For all classes RRS 44.1 is deleted.

15 **SCORING**

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The scoring system is as follows for each race:

Corrected times are calculated using time on time (ToT): Corrected time = Score (Time on Time factor) x Sailed time

To calculate each boat's score, the score (Time on Time factor) will be calculated using **ORC Weather Routing Scoring**.

The list of scores (Time on Time factor) will be published in the start lists on sailracesystem.no no later than 3 hrs before the warning signal.

Explanation of ORC Weather Routing Scoring can be found on the ORC website: https://orc.org/race-managment/qa-wrs

15.2 *Leg 1 and Leg 2 are separate races.*

21 **DATA PROTECTION**

21.1 GDPR regulation is in charge.

22 **RISK STATEMENT**

22.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.** .

23 **INSURANCE**

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

24 **PRIZEGIVING**

24.1 Prize giving Lerwick: Friday 25th of June.

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25 **FURTHER INFORMATION**

25.1 For further information please contact:

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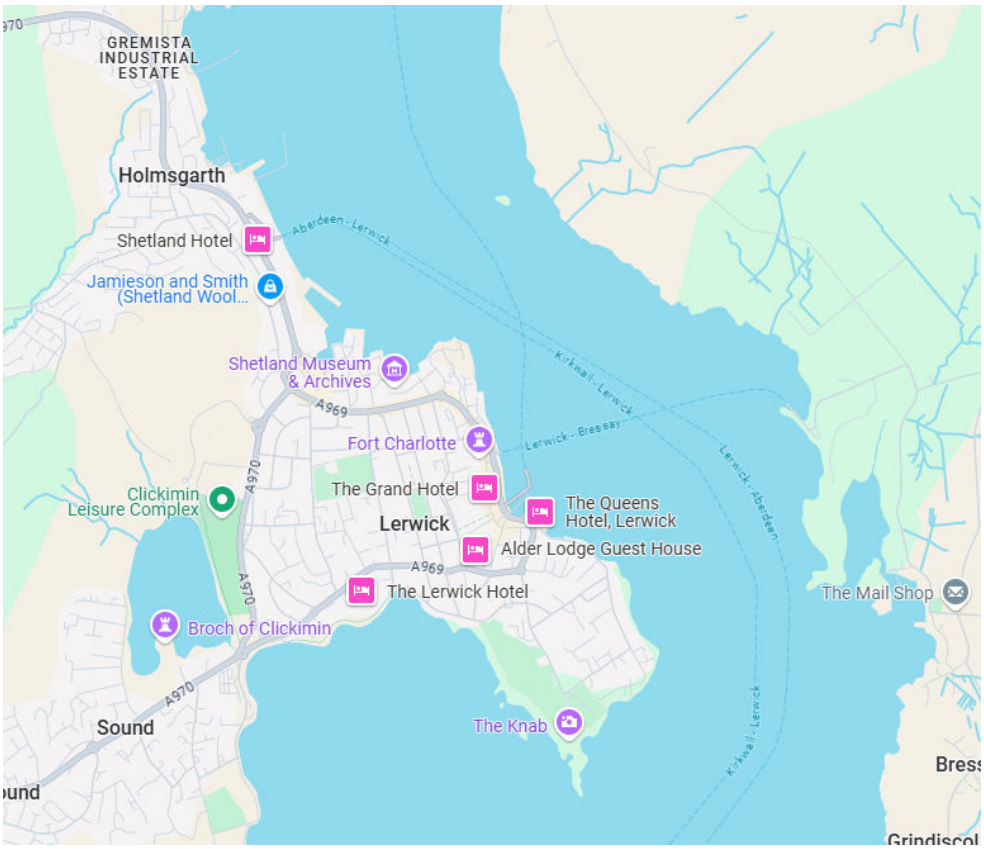
Addendum A – Venues:

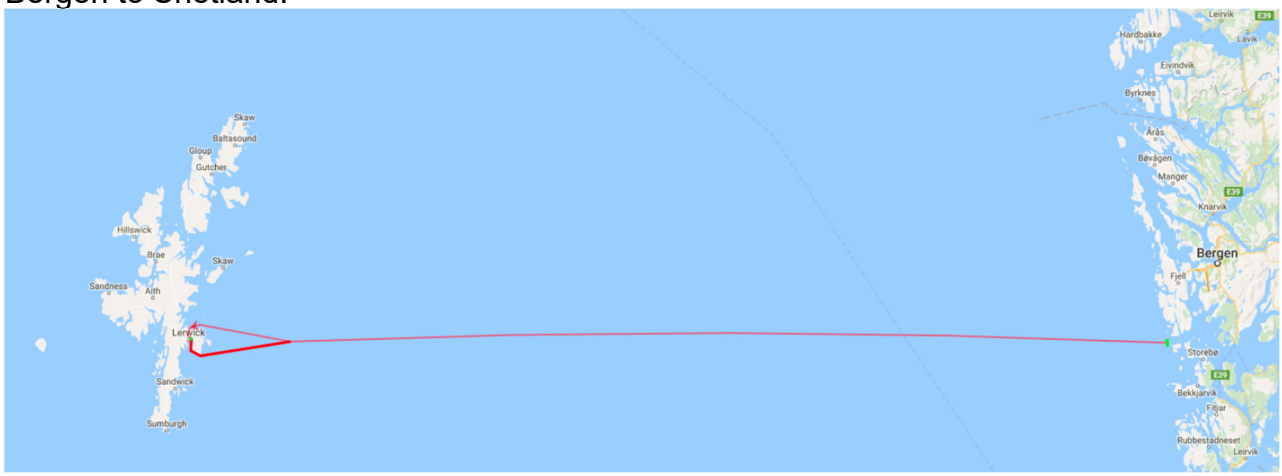
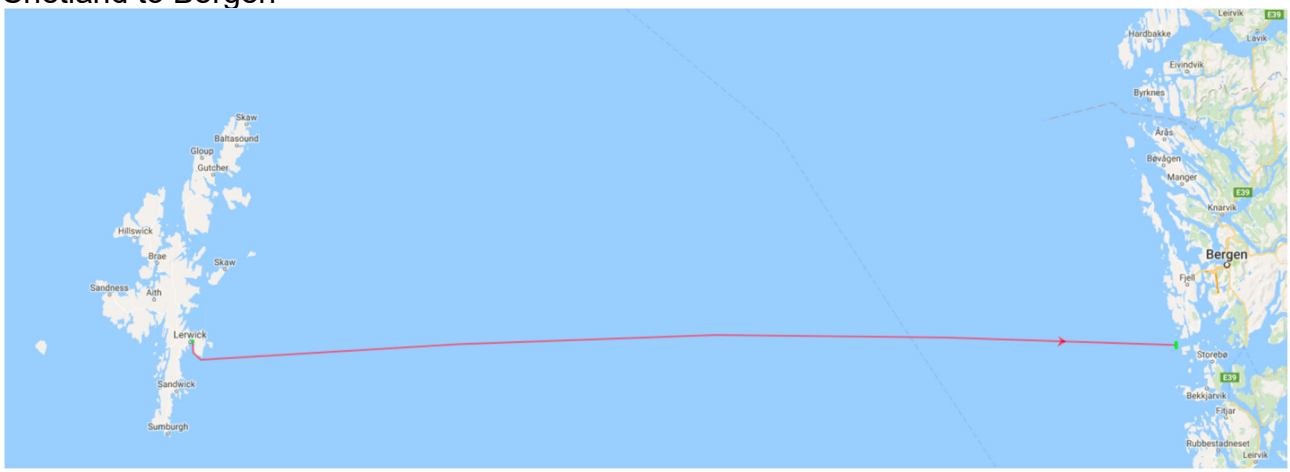
Bergen TBA

Lerwick Harbour



Addendum B- Courses:

Bergen to Shetland:



Shetland to Bergen