





TEAMS & SAILOR'S SUSTAINABILITY CHARTER

Like ocean lovers and sailors the world over, you've seen first hand, the impacts of changes to our ocean and climate.

Plastic pollution, biodiversity loss, extreme and unpredictable weather. Humankind's activities on land are having negative impacts in the ocean.

But there's a positive future on the horizon

-  **More marine protected areas**
-  **Plastic pollution commitments**
-  **Action on climate change**
-  **Recognising ocean rights**



IT STARTS WITH YOU!

We invite sailors and teams to stand as one and make a commitment together, for the ocean. Signing **The Ocean Race Teams Sustainability Charter and Code of Conduct** means you'll stand up for the ocean, and play your part through sustainable sailing, team and personal actions.

The Teams **Sustainability Charter** comes in four parts:

**ADVOCACY | SCIENCE
LEARNING | OPERATIONS**

And the **Code of Conduct** is each sailor's personal promise

RACE TEAM SUSTAINABILITY CHARTER

As a team in The Ocean Race, we'll take action to protect our racetrack and stand up for the ocean. Our team agrees to:

ADVOCACY

- Recognising ocean rights and engage in The Ocean Race campaign.
- Bringing attention to various issues affecting the ocean.
- Sharing our experiences, observations and insights from onboard, and our unique viewpoint.
- Being the ocean's spokesperson at every opportunity.
- Supporting calls for radically increased ambition and action on ocean health and climate change.
- Encouraging our fans, followers, partners, sponsors and sailing community to become advocates for the ocean.

Skipper and Team Manager signs on behalf of the team

SIGN THE CHARTER

SCIENCE

- Supporting science-based decision making.
- Participating in increasing knowledge and understanding of our ocean.
- Hosting scientific equipment onboard.
- Participating in sailor and citizen science programmes.
- Contributing to the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science in collaboration with The Ocean Race.

LEARNING

- Encouraging young people in our community to become Champions for the Sea.
- Introducing schools within our network and influence to The Ocean Race Learning programme.
- Encouraging our partners, sponsors, and affiliated sailing clubs and associations to use The Ocean Race Learning programme.
- Hosting an on-board call with schools.
- Visiting schools and running ocean-based workshops.

OPERATIONS

- Participating in sustainable boat building initiatives.
- Having renewable energy onboard at the minimum required by the Notice of Race.
- Meeting gender balance requirements in sailing team.
- Following sustainable operating guidelines and requirements set by The Ocean Race, IMOCA (if relevant) and World Sailing.
- Abiding by all environmental and sailing rules, regulations and best-practice guidelines.
- Avoiding all possible single-use plastic, especially in catering and guest programmes.
- Sourcing sustainable materials and food, and only sustainable seafood.
- Having a sustainable guest experience programme.
- Participating in all responsible resource recovery programmes, prioritising circularity.
- Minimise, measure and balance unavoidable greenhouse gas emissions, and join UNFCCC's Sports for Climate Action.

SAILOR'S CODE OF CONDUCT

As a sailor in The Ocean Race, I'll take action to protect our racetrack and stand up for the ocean. Here's what I agree to:

ONBOARD & ASHORE

- Adhere to Rule 47 Trash.
- Report any marine cetacean strikes, near misses and fleet alert protocols.
- Not use any products which are hazardous to waterways, where run-off cannot be contained.
- Use safe refuelling practices.
- Be aware of any emergency responses required in the case of accidental spills, including the location of spills kits.

PERSONAL ACTIONS

- Demonstrate sustainability values through personal actions.
- Use my refillable water bottle.
- Use my reusable coffee cup.
- Avoid single-use plastic food and drink containers.
- Opt-in to sustainable practices in hotel rooms.
- Uphold, support and celebrate diversity, equity and inclusion throughout the race.

OCEAN LIVE PARK

- Reduce single-car trips through walking, cycling or car pooling between hotels and the event site.
- Participate in recycling in Ocean Live Park to help the race be zero waste.
- Not walk past any litter that is in danger of entering waterways, pick it up!
- Being a responsible smoker, and/or advocating the same with others.

Each sailor competing in The Ocean Race should sign:

SIGN THE CODE OF CONDUCT