

Communications

As is the case in South Africa, a network of Coast Radio Stations in Brazil maintains a continuous listening watch on International Digital and Voice Distress Frequencies. In addition, the International COSPAS-SARSAT Ground Segment that includes the South African and the Brazilian Mission Control Centres track satellites that search the Earth for transmissions from emergency beacons from terrestrial, maritime and aeronautical carriers in distress:

Serial	Station	Number	E-mail Address
1	MRCC Brazil	0055 21 2104 6056	mrccbrazil@marinha.mil.br
2	MRCC Salvadore	0055 71 3507 3730	mrccriogrande@marinha.mil.br
3	MRCC Rio Grande	0055 53 3233 6130	mrccsalvador@marinha.mil.br
4	MRCC Cape Town	0027 21 938 3300	mrcc.ct@samsa.org.za
5	Cape Town Radio	0027 21 551 0700	maritimeradio@ixmail.co.za

POSITION REPORTING:

Position reporting may be achieved by any of the following methods:

1. Electronic mail: (preferable method)
 - TO: *cape2rio@rcyc.co.za*
 - Subject line: **"POSITION REPORT – SY [NAME]"**.
2. SMS Text: (alternate method)
 - TO: +27 825116832
 - Message: **"POSITION REPORT – SY [NAME] – POSITION"**

EXAMPLE

From: hotice@skymail.com
Sent: Monday, January 09, 2017 16:00B
To: cape2rio@rcyc.co.za
Subject: POSTION REPORT - SY HOT ICE

28deg 54.72' S
001deg 44.32'W

} Mandatory information

AP – 1008
AT – 22
ST – 15
WS – 13
WD – NW
SS - 2

} Optional Information



The format of Lat and Long shall be expressed in:

- 1 Degrees and minutes [and decimals of a minute if necessary],
- 2 North or South of the Equator
- 3 East or West of Greenwich.
- 4 Latitude: 2 figures for degrees 2 figures for minutes [and 2 decimals of a minute if necessary]
- 5 Longitude: 3 figures for degrees 2 figures for minutes [and 2 decimals of a minute if necessary]

FINISHING PROCEDURE:

The finishing procedure is explained in paragraph 11 of the Sailing Instructions.

Communications with the finish shall be either by:

- 1 SMS Text:
TO: +27 825116832
Message: **"SY [NAME] – FINISH TIME XX:XX UTC"**
- 2 Electronic mail:
TO *cape2rio@rcyc.co.za*
Subject line: **"FINISHING REPORT – SY [NAME]"**.
Body of message to state finishing time in **UTC**.
- 3 On VHF **Ch 72**. Call sign Echo 21. This frequency will not be manned at all times.