

REQUEST TO HOST F18 RAID WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

Swedish F18 Association

Final leg of the Stockholm Archipelago Raid 2020 after 4 days of intense sailing.

Proposal summary

- In 2017 the Stockholm Archipelago Raid was granted the first F18 long distance race with World Championship status. The Swedish F18 association and Vikingarnas Segel Sällskap (VSS) hereby apply again to host the F18 Raid World Championship in 2022.
- The proposal is to, once again, adapt the Stockholm Archipelago Raid to host the “Raid Worlds” on the 18th to the 21st of 2022 (dates to be confirmed).
- 4 days of racing, 2-3 legs per day in the archipelago of Stockholm with 36 000 islands, skerries and rocks over an area that stretches 80 Nm from Arholma in the north to Landsort in the south and 50 Nm from downtown Stockholm in the West to the island of Svenska Högarne in the East.
- Start and finish in central Stockholm at Vikingarnas Sailing Club at Djurgården with a spectacular course from the heart of the Capital out into the complete wilderness of the archipelago.
- The maximum number of teams, usually 30, will be lifted. No maximum limit this year.
- Three classes: Open, Mixed and Youth
- The fee covers the costs for race organization, safety organization, speed boats, food and accommodation. In order to get excellent media coverage and to maximize PR for the F18 class the aim is to get partners and sponsors to finance professional film production and distribution, photography and/or live coverage during and after the event.

On behalf of the Swedish F18 association and Vikingarnas Segel Sällskap (VSS)

Lars Linder



Back ground and previous editions

- In 2001 Atlant Ocean Racing launched the Archipelago Raid, an extreme sailing orientering in the Swedish, Åland and Finnish archipelago with F18 as the platform. The first winners of this race was Franck Cammas (Fra) and Steve Ravussin (Switz). In the years to come hundreds of sailors from 16 countries participated in the race which became notorious for being very hard with almost no sleep and paddling when the wind was light. The last time the Archipelago Raid took place was in 2009.
- In 2010 the Raid Revenge was created. It was a three day raid with great sailing in the outer Stockholm Archipelago with time for a sauna, a beer, good food and sleep in a real bed in the base camps. It quickly became popular because of the friendly atmosphere and intense sailing. In 2015 the name changed to Stockholm Archipelago Raid (SAR) and the raid was extended to 4 days, but the concept stayed the same.
- Many world class sailors from all over the world have competed in the different raids over the years, for example Dany Paschalidis (GRE), Darren Bundock (AUS), Carolijn Breuwer (NED), Mischa Hemskeerk (NED), Franck Cammas (FRA), William Sunnucks (GBR), Jean-Christophe Mourniac (FRA), Gunnar Larsen (NED) and Ellen McArthur (GBR) to mention a few. For a [full list of winners of the Archipelago Raid / Raid Revenge and Stockholm Archipelago Raid, see the F18 hall of fame.](#)
- In 2019 27 team from 13 countries participated and in 2020, despite the pandemic, 20 teams from 4 countries made it to the starting line.

Stockholm Archipelago Raid

- The Stockholm Archipelago Raid is a mix of sport, nature and adventure in the perfect F18-playground; the stunning Stockholm Archipelago. It consists of 36.000 rocks, skerries and islands and offers spectacular scenery and limitless possibilities for exceptional courses between the check points on islands, bouys, light houses or beaches. There are still islands and groups of islands where no raid has ever passed due to their remote location.
- Each day the fleet will sail between 50 and 100 NM depending on the winds. It will be tight, intensive racing in the daytime and time for a beer, a sauna and good, tasty food in the evening. Since all sailors eat, live and share an adventure together for 5 intensive days a the raid is very social type of event, even if the competition is also present during races.
- The race is made up of 2-3 legs per day with a lunch break in between. Each morning the competitors receive the course for the day. The competitors are free to choose their route between two checkpoints. Each team gets a sea chart of the area and coordinates for the checkpoints. Sea charts are good for planning and finding the best way, but the scale is too large for close navigation. It is strongly recommended to have a GPS with plotter attached to wrist or on the chest.

Lunch break day 1 of SAR 2014

Preliminary Program

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- Saturday 13th of August to Wednesday 17th of August: Teams arrive to Vikingarnas Sailing Club, Djurgården, Central Stockholm
- Wednesday 17th of August: Vikingarnas SS, Djurgården, Central Stockholm
 - 14.00 Registration, measurement, security checks
 - 16.00 Raid tune up race
 - 19.00 Welcome ceremony and briefing
- Thursday 18th of August:
 - Sailing / towing through the narrow straight Baggenstäket to Saltsjöbaden
 - 11.00: Start, 2 legs
 - Base camp 1, sauna, dinner, sleep in small cottages (or tents for some teams)
- Friday 19th of August
 - 2 - 3 legs
 - Base camp 3, sauna, dinner, sleep in small cottages (or tents for some teams)
- Saturday 20th of August
 - 2 - 3 legs
 - Base camp 4, sauna, dinner, sleep in small cottages (or tents for some teams)
- Sunday 21st of August
 - 2 legs
 - ~15.00 finish close to Vikingarnas SS, Central Stockholm
 - ~19.00 Price giving ceremony and closing party

Registration and launch in central Stockholm

Parking, registration and launch

Parking, registration and launch at Vikingarnas Segelsällskap at Hunduddsvägen 55, situated on the head of Royal National Park Djurgården in central Stockholm. Registration, measurement and security will take place here.

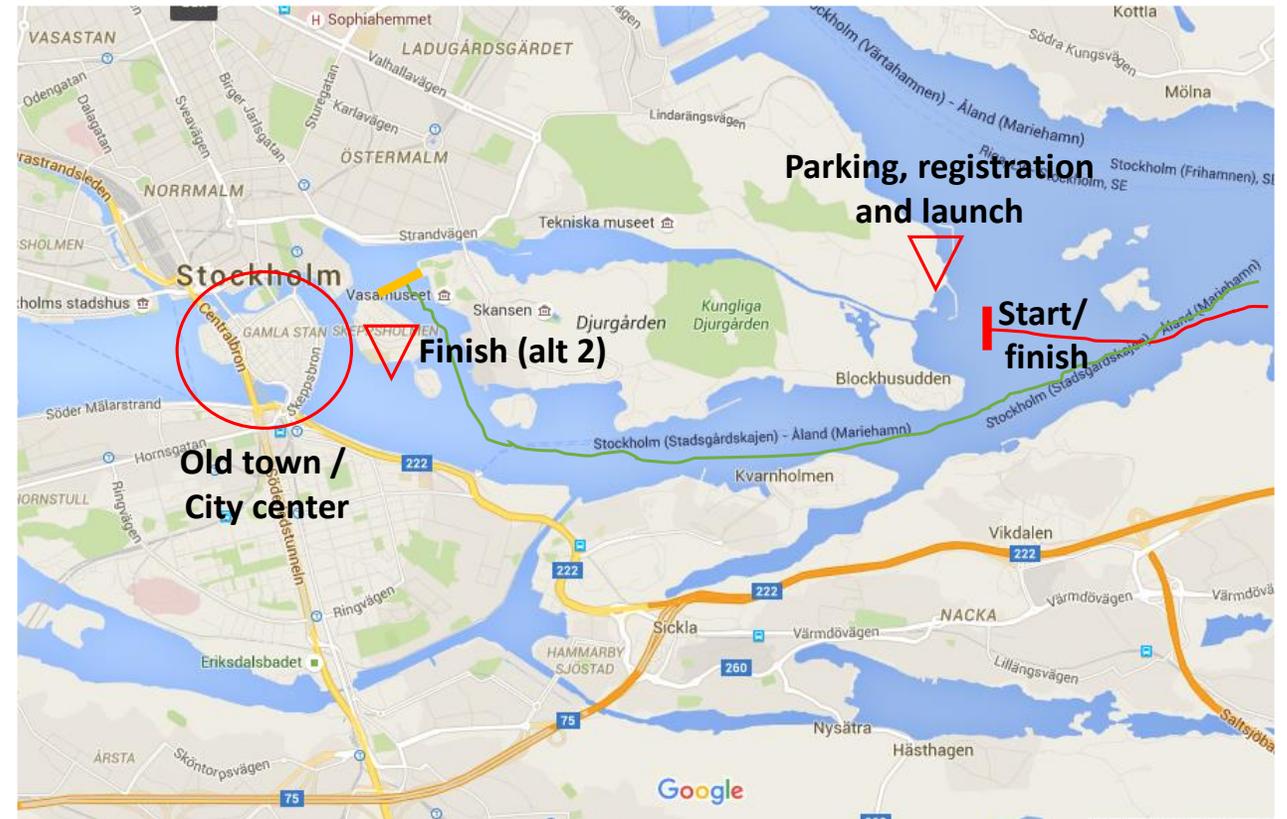
Teams can arrive to Vikingarnas Sailing Club from the 15th of August before the event starts. Cars and trailers will be left here during the race. Camper cars for the teams may stay at Vikingarnas during the event. Other teams are recommended to stay at STF youth hostel, Gärdet, about 2km from Hundudden.

Finish is planned to take place just outside Hundudden close to Fjäderholmarna and/or at Skeppsholmen (subject to approval from the Stockholm Harbour authority).

Pricegiving ceremony and closing party will be held at Hundudden, location to be confirmed.



Vikingarnas Segel Sällskap



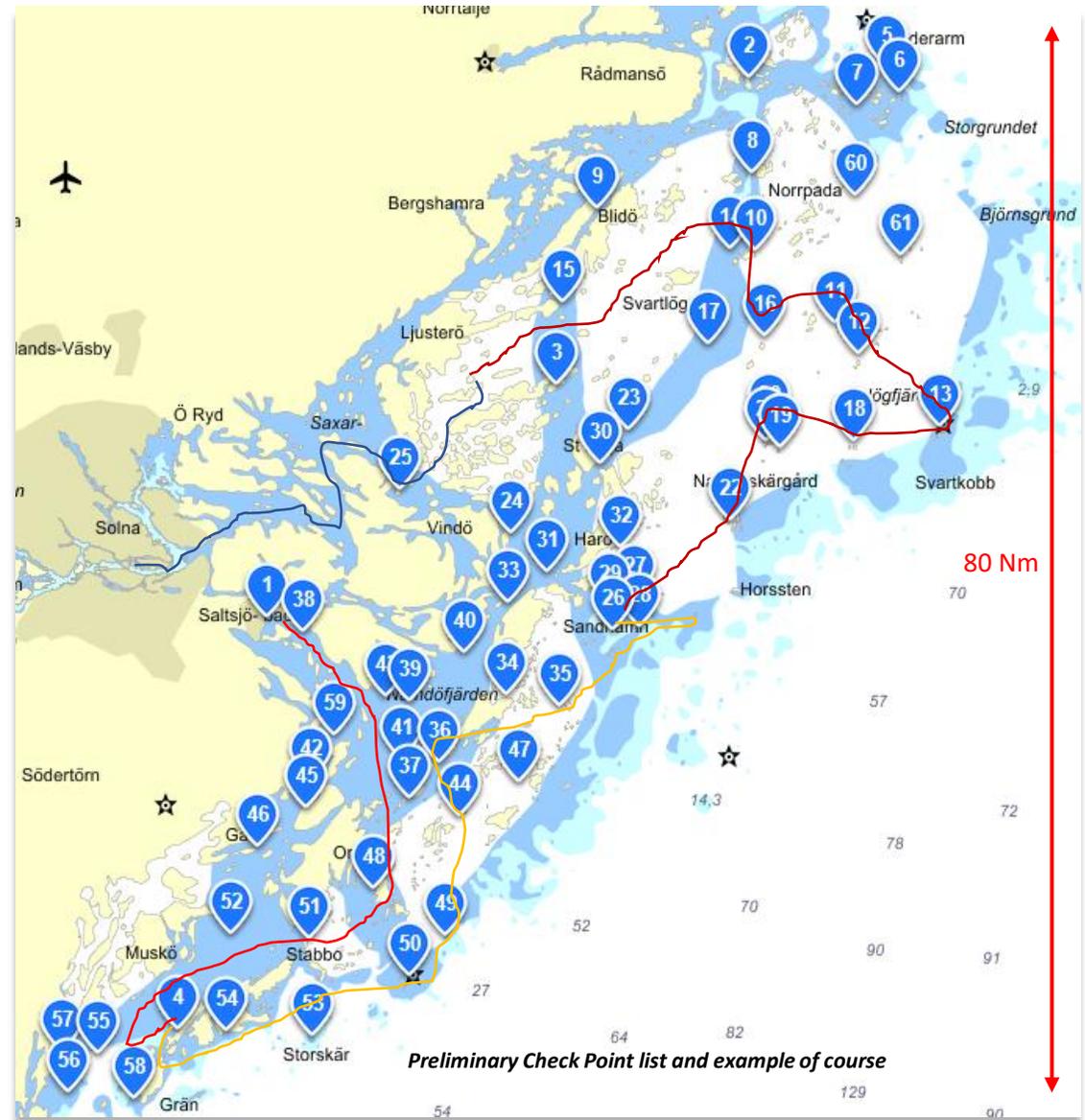
Play ground

The Stockholm Archipelago stretches about 80 Nm from Arholma in the north to Landsort in the south and 50 Nm from downtown Stockholm in the West to the island of Svenska Högarna in the East.

There are endless possibilities to lay check points (CP) on rocks, skerries, light houses, marks, beaches or other places.

Typically 4-7 CP's out of 60+ are used each leg, see map.

[To look at the 2015 CP's and the detailed see chart, click here.](#)



Base camps

Base camps and finish

The base camps will be chosen to maximize the racing area and to give optimal courses way out to the outer rocks and skerries all the way through the middle archipelago with islands giving shelter against strong winds and high seas. They can host at least 70 people in beds and the rest indoors and they have restaurants or offer possibilities to cater for all participants and the event organization.

- Base camp 1: to be confirmed
- Base camp 2: to be confirmed
- Base camp 3: to be confirmed
- Finish in central Stockholm with easy access for friends, family, media and public. Closing party and prize giving ceremony at the Vikingarnas Segel Sällskap.



Carolijn and Darren preparing navigation for the next leg



Morning meeting at Base Camp Fejan

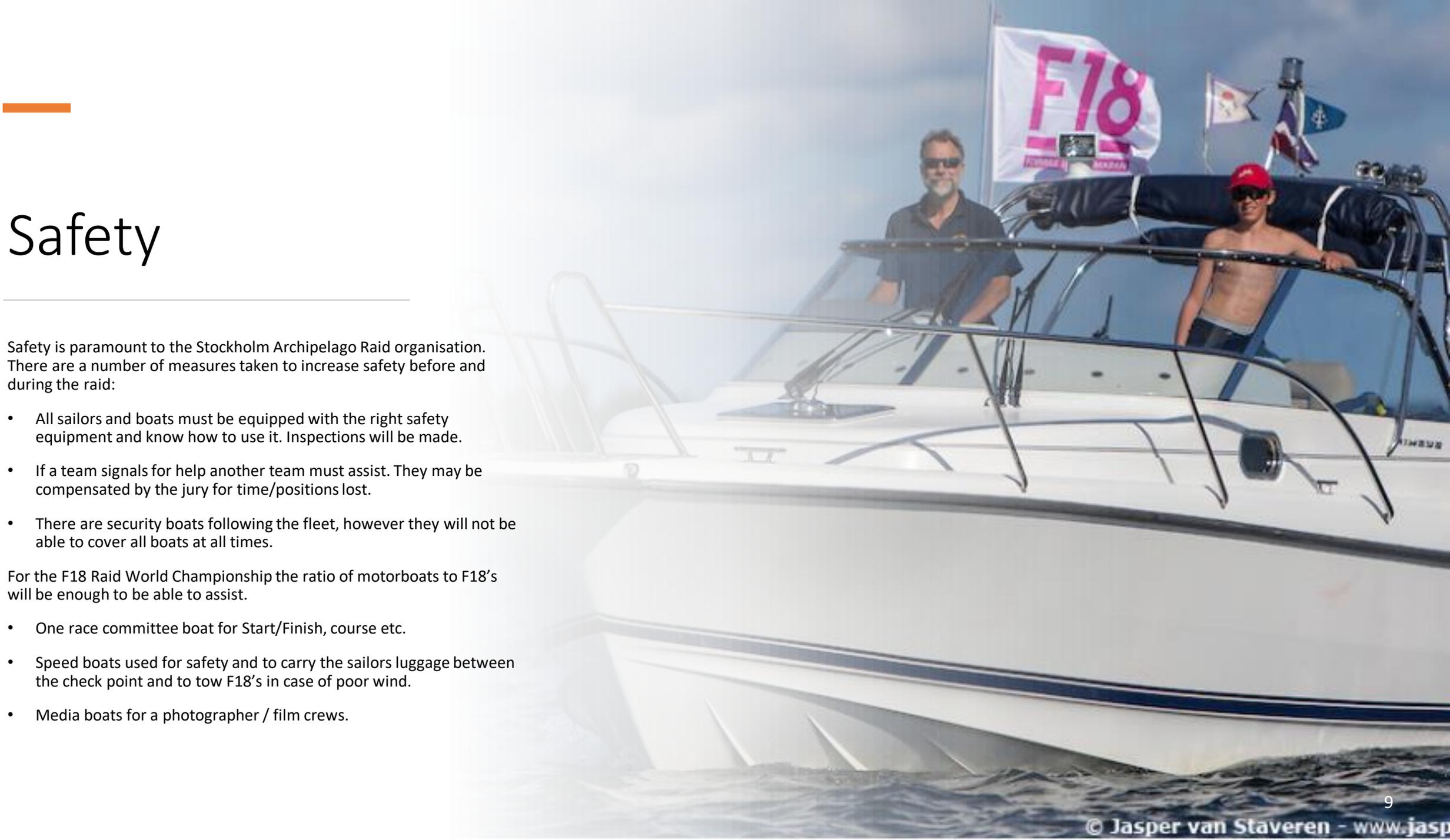
Safety

Safety is paramount to the Stockholm Archipelago Raid organisation. There are a number of measures taken to increase safety before and during the raid:

- All sailors and boats must be equipped with the right safety equipment and know how to use it. Inspections will be made.
- If a team signals for help another team must assist. They may be compensated by the jury for time/positions lost.
- There are security boats following the fleet, however they will not be able to cover all boats at all times.

For the F18 Raid World Championship the ratio of motorboats to F18's will be enough to be able to assist.

- One race committee boat for Start/Finish, course etc.
- Speed boats used for safety and to carry the sailors luggage between the check point and to tow F18's in case of poor wind.
- Media boats for a photographer / film crews.



Equipment and navigation

Specific rules apply to the Stockholm Archipelago Raid:

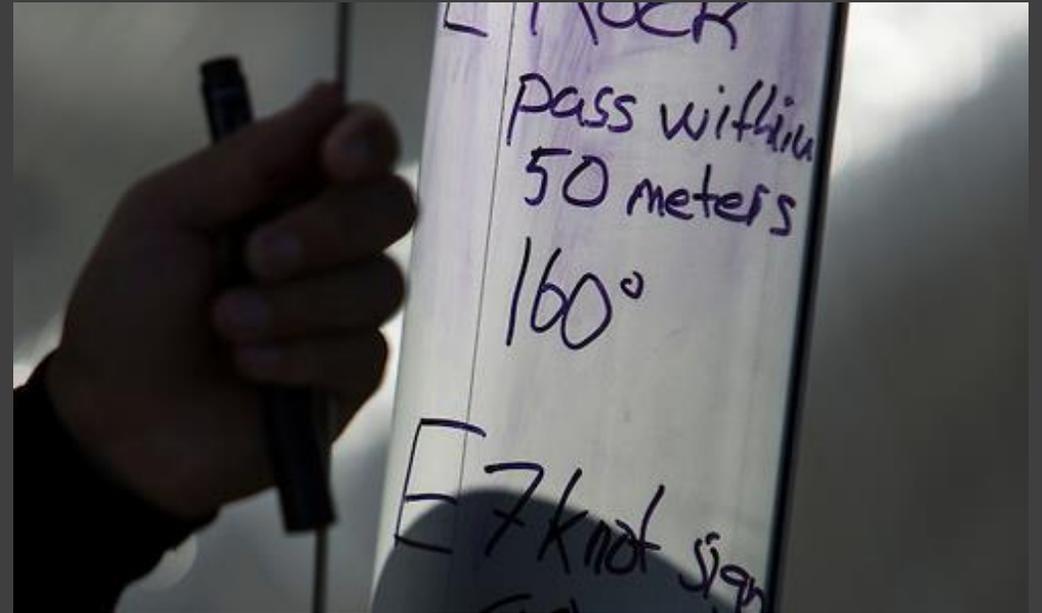
- Mobile phone and VHF is allowed and mandatory
- GPS with plotter is allowed and recommended
- Camel backs up to 3.0 L are allowed and not considered water ballast systems

On each crew member at all times during races:

- 1 dry suit
- 1 mobile phone in waterproof pocket.
- 1 Life jacket and whistle
- 1 red hand-held flare attached to life jacket
- 1 knife attached to life west or 1 knife attached to boom and 1 on the Dolphin striker.
- Sailors are recommended to carry an AIS or Personal Locator Beacon (PLB), however this is not mandatory equipment.

On board the boat

- 1 red parachute flare attached under trampoline or behind either beam for easy access when capsized.
- 1 towing line
- 1 paddle, at least 120 cm, for example attached to boom using shock cord
- 1 First aid kit in a waterproof bag available on trampoline or in pocket.
- 1 waterproof VHF (preferably also in dry bag) in trampoline pocket, lower part of mast or similar to be accessible also when capsized.



A photograph of two sailors, Carolijn Brouwer and Darren Bundock, on a white racing yacht. They are wearing racing gear, including jackets and caps, and are looking towards each other. The background shows a body of water and a forested shoreline under a clear sky. The image is partially obscured by a white circular graphic on the right side.

Entry fees

Preliminary entry fees per team (4 days of racing)

- From the 1st of April to the 1st of May: 12 500 SEK
- From 1st of May to the 1st of August: 13 500 SEK
- Youth teams (both team members under 26) get a 2000 SEK discount.

Included in the entry fee:

- Breakfasts and dinners all racing days
- Simple accommodation in cabins/rooms
- Race organisation: Race Committee, Safety organization, judges and event organisation
- Speed boats and boat drivers for the Race Organisation, photo and media crew.
- Transport boat to carry teams personal equipment, food and some spare parts.
- Photography / media covering the event
- Prices and final regatta party

Carolijn Brouwer (NED) and Darren Bundock (AUS)

Selected films from earlier editions

Films from the F18 Raid World Championship 2017

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We hope to be welcoming F18 sailors from all around the globe to the F18 Raid World Championship 2022 in Stockholm.

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