

# **GAETA MAXI REGATTA 2014**

May 15- 17, 2014

# **NOTICE of RACE**

# ORGANISATION

The regatta will be organized by the International Maxi Association (IMA) in collaboration with the Yacht Club Gaeta E.V.S.

# 1 – RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by:
  - the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2013 2016);
  - During the night between sunset and sunrise Part 2 of the RRS will be replaced by the
  - I.R.P.C.S./ColRegs/International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea;

- RRS Rule 55 is amended by adding the following sentence: "However discarding wool or elastic bands when setting sail is permitted.";

- the 2014 IMA Class rules;

- for the Maxi boats the IMA Class Rule 2.4.3 is modified to remove the restriction on the number of sails that may be carried on board during the regatta. Boats are free to carry any number of sails during the races as long as they are declared on the sail inventory at registration;

- the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with life raft compulsory on board, but subject to the following amendment: jackstays are not required (amends. OSR 4.04);

- IRC Rules Parts A, B and C shall apply. For the purposes of IRC rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) this regatta is on consecutive days, yet the sails carried on board need not remain the same for the duration of the event but sails need to remain the same for each day. The day begins when the boat leaves the dock for the first time on the day;



- the Sailing Instructions including Appendices;

- No National Authority prescriptions will apply except Part 6 of prescriptions of the FIV (Italian Sailing Federation), which will apply only to Italian nationals.

1.2 The official language for the regatta is English.

1.3 In the event of a discrepancy between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

# 2 – ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code. Boats shall display Event Advertising in compliance with ISAF Regulation 20 and as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

2.2 Boats may be required to display the following throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the prize giving following the last race of the regatta:

(a) Sponsor's pennant on the backstay;

(b) Sponsor's decal on each side of the bow.

2.3 The Organizing Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on board video cameras for the official television production and/or a tracking system.

2.4 Boats intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state in the entry form the nature of such advertising.

2.5 Boats are responsible to inform advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore in Gaeta without the consent in writing of the Organizing Authority obtained before the start of the Regatta.

# 3 – ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

The regatta is open to all Maxi Boats as defined in the 2014 IMA Rules. Maxi boats must have a valid 2014 IRC rating certificate approved by the IMA Technical Office. Participants must complete the event entry form and transmit it to the IMA Race Secretariat (<u>info@internationalmaxiassociation.com</u>) on or before 31 March, 2014.

### 4 – FEES

The non-refundable entry fee for IMA members is 100 Euros. The entry fee for non IMA Members is 200 Euros. Fees should be transmitted by April 20<sup>th</sup> to:

BANQUE PRIVEE EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD S.A. 18, Rue De Hesse CH 1204 GENEVA - SWITZERLAND Account N°: 1 320 700 IMA - INTERNATIONAL MAXI ASSOCIATION SWIFT N°: PRIBCHGG



#### IBAN N°: CH4608571320700010000

As "Object", please state the name of the boat and the word "GAETA".

#### **5 - REGISTRATION and CONTROLS**

Measurement controls and safety inspections will take place in Gaeta on Wednesday and Thursday 14 and 15 May. Registration documents must be completed with the Organizing Authority prior to 1700 on 15 May, 2014.

#### 6 – SCHEDULE

Wednesday May 14	09:00-18:00 Race Office open at Yacht Club Gaeta.
Thursday May 15	09:00-18:00 Registration, Measurement and Inspection
	18:00 Competitor's Briefing
Friday May 16	12:00 First Signal – Short Coastal Race
	20:00 Crew Party
Saturday May 17	12:00 First Signal – Start of race to Capri

### 7 – MEASUREMENT

Valid 2014 IRC rating certificates shall be received by the IMA Technical Office prior to 1700 GMT on Friday 10 May, 2014. A copy of the certificate shall be emailed to the ATO at: <u>technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com</u>

#### **8 – SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration; a preliminary version may be available on the IMA website.

### 9 – VENUE

The regatta will be held in the waters off Gaeta, Italy and the southern Mediterranean.

### **10 – THE COURSES**

10.1 The race for the Maxi fleet starting on Friday 16 May will be a coastal race in the waters adjacent to Gaeta.

10.2 The race on Saturday 17 May will be from Gaeta to Capri of approximately 100 miles.10.3 The Organizing Authority reserves the option to modify the race schedule based on weather conditions.

#### 11 - SCORING

For each race, there will be an overall IRC score for all the Maxi fleet, and additional scoring for the IMA categories where there are at least four (4) competitors. The assignment of the entries to one or the other IMA category will be done by the IMA Technical Office with reference to IMA Class Rules. Each separate race will be scored. A final score will take into account all races. The offshore race will be weighted.



### 12 - MOORINGS

Moorings – free of charge from 10<sup>th</sup> to May 18<sup>th</sup> - will be available for Mini Maxis, Maxis and Supermaxis at the Base Nautica Flavio Gioia.

Possibilities exist to also have containers and vans in the same area. Special arrangements need to be made with Yacht Club Gaeta for transportation and storage containers while in Gaeta.

#### **13 - RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

All boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver capable of operating on VHF channel 9, 16 and 72. It will be mandatory that on the offshore race, all boats will give a position report with the race committee at 8am and 8pm daily. It is the boat's responsibility to have adequate equipment to transmit positions when out of cell phone range. For regatta communications, the Organizing Authority will request en-route contact information of the boats during the distance race: cell phone, satellite phone, and/or email.

### **14 - TROPHIES AND PRIZES**

There will be a trophy awarded to the best classified boat in IRC handicap for the Gaeta races. There will be a Line honours Trophy awarded to the first boat to finish on the long offshore race. There will be a trophy awarded to the boat with the best corrected time on IRC for the long offshore race. There will be IMA prizes for the winner, on corrected time, for each race and category where there are at least four (4) competitors.

#### **15 - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

15.1 Competitors agree to be bound by International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any yacht participating in the GAETA MAXI REGATTA 2014, her rigging, the safety equipment on board and the competence, behavior and dress of her crew is that of the Owner/Charterer of the yacht. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for all damages whatsoever caused to third persons or their belongings, to myself or to my belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of my participation in the regatta, and hereby relieve from any responsibility, and agree to indemnify on a full indemnity basis and hold harmless, the Organizing Authority, International Maxi Association (IMA), Yacht Club GAETA its servants, agents and sponsors and their representatives in respect of any claim arising therefrom.

15.2 Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

15.3 In any case, competitors agree that the Organizing Authority, IMA, Yacht Club Gaeta, its servants, agents and sponsors and their representatives have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.

15.4 As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.



# **16 - INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with adequate cover taking into account the value of the boats racing and the measure of damages likely to arise in the event of an accident.

# **17 - MEDIA RIGHTS**

17.1 Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, IMA and Yacht Club Gaeta, the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in any media (being television, print and internet media), including video footage, for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information relating to the GAETA MAXI REGATTA 2014 ("the regatta"), and to the competitors and crew members' participation in such events. Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts also grant, at no cost, the International Maxi Association and Yacht Club Gaeta, the absolute right and permission to use their name, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in affiliated publications and press releases.

17.2 As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this waiver of rights.

### **18 - TRACKING SYSTEM**

The Organizing Authority will provide, free of charge, an automatic position reporting system which will be displayed on the IMA website for competitors and media.

### 19 – CONTACTS

International Maxi Association Race Secretariat: tel +39 347 4413194, +1 401 524 0945 info@internationalmaxiassociation.com www.internationalmaxiassociation.com IMA Technical Officer: technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com Media contact: communications@internationalmaxiassociation.com IMA Class Rules: http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/pdf/2012\_IMA\_Class\_Rules.pdf ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3: www.sailing.org/tools/documents/OSR2010Mo3081209-%5B7985%5D.pdf

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