



YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA



**MINI MAXI ROLEX WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

**NOTICE OF RACE  
PORTO CERVO, 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST - 6<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2014**





The International Maxi Association (IMA), an ISAF International Class, has the right to organize the World Championship for the Maxi fleets.

The organization of the World Championship 2014 for the Mini Maxi fleet has been confirmed to the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS), in conjunction with IMA, and will take place in Porto Cervo from August 31<sup>st</sup> to September 6<sup>th</sup>, within the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup.

The Sponsor of the Regatta is Rolex SA.

## ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES (O.A.) AND VENUE

### International Maxi Association

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email: [info@internationalmaxiassociation.com](mailto:info@internationalmaxiassociation.com)

### Yacht Club Costa Smeralda

Porto Cervo, Sardinia - Italy  
Tel. +39 0789 902200 | Fax +39 0789 91213  
Email: [secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it) | site: [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com)

## 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following:

- (a) The rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016;
- (b) The ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) with life rafts compulsorily on board except that jackstays are not required to be fitted on deck (amends OSR 4.04);
- (c) In addition to the crew limitation on the rating certificate, a boat is allowed to bring onboard up to additional two bone-fide guests, who are not allowed to participate in the sailing including giving advice or coaching. Guests shall be permitted to sit on the rail behind the helmsmen with their head and torso below the upper guardrail, but shall not be in a hiking position. Guests shall wear clothes that are distinctive from those of the crew;
- (d) 2014 IMA Class Rules are invoked:

[http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/pdf/2013\\_IMA\\_Class\\_Rules.pdf](http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/pdf/2013_IMA_Class_Rules.pdf).

In addition, Class Rule 3.1 is also invoked. The title of World Champion will be assigned to the top scoring boat of the Mini Maxi Fleet in compliance with the IMA Class Rules including the Owner/Driver Rule;

- (e) The IRC Rules 2014 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 of racing. The day begins when the boat leaves the dock for the first time each day;
- (f) RRS 55 will be changed as follows: Add the following sentence to the rule. "However, the use of biodegradable wool bands in the course of setting a sail is permitted. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions."
- (g) Exceptions to RRS 77 shall be granted by the O.A. upon written request prior to the close of registration;
- (h) Notwithstanding anything in the above rules to the contrary, power assisted winches, canting keels, trim tabs and water ballast are permitted as long as each is declared on the IRC certificate;
- (i) The Sailing Instructions (SI), including Appendices Bravo (Coastal and Islands Courses), Charlie (Windward/Leeward Courses), Delta (Decal and flags placement Diagram), Echo (Event Programme) and Foxtrot (Emergency Procedure on Water);
- (j) Modification to RRS Rule 51: add "Sails shall not be moved from one side to the other while tacking or gybing. Only in cases of emergency and/or to prevent it from falling into the water or resting in a waterway will sails be permitted to be moved."

1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply except, those to Italian nationals, Part 6 of Prescriptions of the FIV: Entry and Qualification, Rule 75, Entering a Race, Prescription to Rule 75.2.

1.3 The Registration Nationality of a boat is indicated by the owner of the boat as set out in the entry form (FLAG section). If not indicated, the Sail Number and/or the owner's nationality will be used.

1.4 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

1.5 In the event of a discrepancy between the Notice of Race (NoR) and the SI, the SI will take precedence. This changes rule 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 SI.

2.2 Boats will be required to display the following throughout the period starting one hour after the completion of registration and ending one hour after the finish of 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 In addition, boats will be required to display the event battle flag and a sponsor pennant on the forestay throughout the same period but only while moored.

2.4 The O.A. will supply the pennants, decals and flag at registration.

2.5 The O.A. 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.

2.6 Boats intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state in the entry form the nature of such advertising. All advertising shall be approved by the O.A..

2.7 Boats are responsible to inform advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore within the Porto Cervo Marina area without the consent in writing of the O.A. obtained before the start of the regatta.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY

The Championship is open to Mini Maxi boats as defined by the IMA Class Rules with an LH between 18.29 metres and 24.08 metres, of the racing and racing/cruising categories, with a valid IRC endorsed rating certificate (see IRC Rule 8.5). The IRC endorsed rating certificate shall be approved by the IMA Technical Office (A.T.O.).

### 4. ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEES

4.1 Entries shall be made on the entry form (Annex 1) also available on the event web site ([www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com)) and shall be received by the YCCS Race Office completed in full not later than July 21<sup>st</sup> 2014, accompanied by a "non refundable" entry fee of 3.000 Euro.

The entry fee for YCCS Members and IMA Members is reduced to 2.500,00 Euro.

4.2 The entry form shall be accompanied by a copy of the boat's current IRC endorsed rating certificate.

If a boat elects to reconfigure the sail plan or change any other measurement values requiring a new rating certificate, the new IRC endorsed certificate shall be received by the O.A. and approved by the IMA ATO, not later than 18.00 hours on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2014. Any changes to Rating Certificates after the 22<sup>nd</sup> August may only be made as a result of inspection and controls.

4.3 The O.A. reserves the right to accept entries after 21<sup>st</sup> July 2014. For late entries moorings are not guaranteed and mooring fees are not included in the entry fee.

4.4 The entry fee can be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer as stated in details on the entry form. If the payment is made by bank transfer, a copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form.

### 5. PROGRAMME

5.1 The maximum number of races is eight.

It is intention of the Race Committee to hold a minimum of four windward/leeward races and two coastal races of no more than 70 nautical miles. If four windward/leeward and two coastal races are achieved with one day of racing remaining, two windward/leeward races will be run should weather conditions allow.

The IMA Annual General Meeting will be held at YCCS on the lay day at 10.30 hours or at 18.00 hours on the originally scheduled lay day if there is a re-sail that day.

5.2 Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2014: Registration, Measurement, Inspection and Briefing. Skippers' Briefing will be held at YCCS Clubhouse at 18.00.

5.3 Racing Days:

Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Race (s)
Tuesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Race (s)
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	Race (s)
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Lay day or resail
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Race (s)
Saturday, 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Race (s)

5.4 Prize giving: Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> September at 17.30.

5.5 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series and to award the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship Title.

5.6 Alteration of programme: The O.A. and/or the race committee reserve the right to modify the programme according to weather conditions or other unforeseen reasons.

## **6. MEASUREMENTS AND CONTROLS**

6.1 All boats will be subject to inspections and controls which may include measurement, equipment checks and weighing or determination of displacement by other means as approved by the IMA ATO. All participants must comply with the 2014 IMA Weighing Policy (see the following link:

[http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/anteprima\\_news\\_.php?newsID=354](http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com/anteprima_news_.php?newsID=354)

6.2 Sail dimensions shall be by direct measurement performed by an IMA approved IRC measurer.

6.3 All IRC endorsed certificates shall be additionally approved by the IMA ATO who may require full or partial re-measurement of any boat. For IMA approval please apply to Mr. Peter Lawson: Tel. +1 401 524 1335| email: [technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com](mailto:technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com).

6.4 Inspection and control will begin on August 30<sup>th</sup> in Portisco or Porto Cervo at the discretion of IMA ATO. Designated boats shall be at the disposal of the Measurement & Inspection Committee in Portisco or Porto Cervo no later than 09.00 hours on August 30<sup>th</sup> except by prior arrangement with the IMA ATO.

6.5 A list of ratings of the boats will be posted on the event web site on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August. The list will be also posted on the Official Notice Board during the event. The Protest Time Limit for Rating Protests by boats, except relating to changes made during the regatta, will expire at 15.00 hours on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August.

## **7. REGISTRATIONS**

Final Registration formalities shall be completed at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda's Race Office by 16.00 hours on August 31<sup>st</sup>, unless the O.A. agrees to a later time, which it will do only under exceptional circumstances.

At registration the following documents will be required:

- (a) Acceptance of the Notice of Race, Disclaimer of Liability and insurance as set out in the entry form;
- (b) Helmsmen, Relief Helmsmen and Crew list classification. All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF eligibility Code and IMA Owner/Driver rule. A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks;
- (c) Media release consent signed by all crew members;
- (d) Italian Sailing Federation cards for Italian Sailors;

## **8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)**

The SI will be available for competitors upon final registration and published online at [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com) and [www.internationalmaxiassociation.com](http://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com).

## **9. RACING AREA AND CHARTS**

The racing area will be in North Eastern Sardinian waters. The following charts are recommended: nos. 42 - 43 - 323 - 324 - 325 - 910, Italian charts of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina. Charts can be ordered directly at the Istituto Idrografico della Marina - Passo dell'Osservatorio 4, 16134 Genoa, Italy Tel: +39 010 2463528 Fax: +39 010 261400.

## **10. PENALTIES & INTERNATIONAL JURY**

10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty except if the incident takes place when at least one of the boats is in the zone of a rounding or finishing mark.

10.2 Declaration of accepting the penalty shall be filled with the Race Office upon finishing within the protest time limit.

10.3 Protests will be heard by an International Jury whose ruling shall be final.

## **11. SCORING**

The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply. One score will be excluded if five or more races are sailed. Coastal races will carry a 1.5 weighting factor for determining awarded point values and shall not be excluded.

## 12. MOORINGS

12.1 The entry fee includes mooring fees from 10.00 hours on 31<sup>st</sup> August to 10.00 hours on September 7<sup>th</sup> provided that the completed entry form and entry fee are received by the YCCS before 21<sup>st</sup> July 2014. Mooring will be at Portisco Marina (30<sup>th</sup> August) for measurements and controls only for the boats designated and informed by IMA ATO.

12.2 Moorings are not guaranteed for late entries and mooring fees are not included with the entry fee.

12.3 The cost of electricity, water charges, tenders as well as mooring fees for late entries or additional periods are not included in the entry fee and must be paid directly to the Marina Office. The mooring place for any additional period (before and/or after the event) may be at Porto Cervo Marina or East Dock (Porto Vecchio) and different from the mooring place assigned by the Marina in conjunction with the O.A. during the event. Assignment of moorings will be based on availability of moorings and characteristics of boats.

12.4 To reserve moorings prior and after the dates indicated in par.12.1 above and for tenders, please apply directly to the Marina Offices. Early booking is recommended.

Porto Cervo Marina

Tel.+39/0789/905111 | Fax +39/0789/91153 | Email: [s.sini@marinadiportocervo.com](mailto:s.sini@marinadiportocervo.com)

Portisco Marina

Tel. +39/0789/33520 | Fax:+39/ 0789/33560 | Email: [info@marinadiportisco.it](mailto:info@marinadiportisco.it)

12.5 Local regulations require that all boats must inform the Harbourmaster's Office by radio on VHF Channel 9 when they first arrive in Porto Cervo and each time they leave or enter the Harbour thereafter. When moored, it is mandatory for all participants to visit the Harbourmaster's Office to finalize their registration procedures.

## 13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

13.1 All boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver capable of operating on VHF channel 9, 16 and 72.

## 14. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

- The Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship Trophy and a Rolex Timepiece, will be awarded to the first boat overall in full compliance with the IMA Owner/Driver Rule.
- Trophies for the, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> boats overall in full compliance with the IMA Owner/Driver rule;
- Commodore Alberini Perpetual Trophy
- IMA Trophy for the top scored IMA Member.
- The YCCS Trophy for the top scored boat owned by a YCCS Member.

## 15. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Any amendments prior to 31<sup>st</sup> August will be emailed to owners whose entries have been accepted. Amendments will also be posted on the official website ([www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com)). Amendments to this Notice of Race after August 31<sup>st</sup> will be posted on the Official Notice Board, on the official website and copies will be available from the Regatta Office.

## 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Competitors agree to be bound by International RRS 2013/2016, the SI and the NoR. Competitors agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any yacht participating in the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship 2014, including her rigging, the safety equipment on board and the competence, behaviour 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 themselves or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, and hereby relieve from any responsibility, and agree to indemnify on a full indemnity basis and hold harmless, the O.A., YCCS, its servants, agents and sponsors (in particular but not limited to ROLEX SA and affiliated companies) and their representatives in respect of any claim arising there from.

16.2 Competitors are acquainted with ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "A boat is solely responsible for deciding whether or not to start or to continue racing".

16.3 In summary, competitors agree that the O.A., YCCS, its servants, agents and sponsors (in particular but not only ROLEX SA and affiliated companies) 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.

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

## 17. MEDIA RELEASES

17.1 Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, YCCS, ROLEX SA and affiliated companies 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 ROLEX SA's involvement in sailing events, in particular the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship ("the regatta"), and to the competitors and crew members' participation in such event.

Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts also grant, at no cost, ROLEX SA and affiliated companies, the absolute right and permission to use their name, image, likeness, biographical material as well as representations of the boats in the "*Perpetual Spirit*" magazine, edited by ROLEX SA.

Competitors and crew members' name, voice, image, likeness and biographical material shall not be used by ROLEX SA and affiliated companies in a way which constitutes an endorsement of ROLEX products by said competitors and crew-members, unless the relevant competitor or crew member is engaged by ROLEX SA or affiliated companies to endorse ROLEX products or gives his/her prior written consent to such use.

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. 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.

## 19. PRESS OFFICE

Media representatives wishing to cover the event are requested to contact:

YCCS Press Office

Tel. +39 0789 902200 | Fax +39 0789 91213 | Email: [pressoffice@yccs.it](mailto:pressoffice@yccs.it) | web site: [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com)

and/or:

IMA Press Office

Tel. +39 345 8257605 | Email: [communications@internationalmaxiassociation.com](mailto:communications@internationalmaxiassociation.com)

## 20. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please check the event websites [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com) or contact:

YCCS Race Office

Tel: +39 0789 902200 | Fax: +39 0789 91213 | Email: [secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it)

## 21. SOCIAL EVENTS

The preliminary social programme for the event is as follows:

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August

*YCCS Welcome Reception*

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

*IMA Dinner*

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

*Rolex Dinner*

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September

*Rolex Crew Party*

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September

*Final Prize Giving*

The final social programme will be available to competitors upon final registration ( Appendix Echo) and published online [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com).

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### **About the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup**

Maxi fleets have flocked to Porto Cervo each September for over 30 years since the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda established the first championship for the largest of sailing yachts in 1980. In recent years ever more impressive and varied fleets have exemplified the evolution of yacht racing as the maxi craft continue to develop and push the boundaries of design and technological innovation. Organized in collaboration with the International Maxi Association and with the support of title-sponsor Rolex, the regatta regularly attracts upwards of 40 maxi yachts and represents a who's-who of international yachting. Competing divisions range from the 18 to 24-metre Mini Maxi class to the Supermaxi division which hosts yachts of 30.5 metres and above. Since 2010 the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup has also hosted the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship, the highlight of the year's racing for the ISAF certified Mini Maxi class and scene of hard-fought battles and down-to-the-wire racing.

### **MINI MAXI WORLDS PALMARES**

**2010** - RÁN (GBR)

**2011** - RÁN 2 (GBR)

**2012** - BELLA MENTE (USA)

**2013** - RÁN 2 (GBR)



Entries shall be received by the Organizing Authority by **21<sup>st</sup> July 2014** accompanied by the entry fee and if available the latest picture of the boat. To be sent by email: [secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it) or by fax [+39 0789 91213](tel:+39078991213) to YCCS Race Office.

Boat Name	Sail N.	L.H.	Beam	Min Draft
Model	Designer	Builder	Year	Hull Colour
Flag:	N. of Crew	E.T.A.	Boat Advertising (if any)	
Yacht Club	Home Port		Country	
Charterer/ Owner	Address	City	Country	
Fax	Email	Tel on site		
<b>IMPERATIVE:</b> Contact details to be reached ON - SITE for any daily communication from the O.A.				
Boat Captain	cell:	@:		
Helmsman	Country	@		
Tactician	Country	@		
SUPPORT BOAT (if any): Boat Name:		LOA:	BEAM:	DRAFT:
ETA:				
Driver:	Local Phone:	@:		
<b>PRESS INFOS:</b>				
Press Representative (for internal use only)		Tel on site	@:	
Significant regatta participation / victories				
Professional Crew on board and roles				

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**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE AGREEMENT ABOVE AT POINTS 1,2 and 3 AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS, I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND SIGN IT OF MY FREE WILL.**

Name of the Owner/Charterer/Boat Representative:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTACHMENTS: RATING CERTIFICATE ( ) | CREW LIST ( ) | COPY OF BANK TRANSFER ( )

Entry Fee: ( ) Bank Transfert ( ) YCCS Member'Account Credit Card: VISA ( ) MASTERCARD ( )

**BANK DETAILS:**

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda

Banca di Credito Sardo - Filiale di Arzachena

IBAN: IT92 D030 5984 9011 0000 0000 071

BIC - SWIFT: BCITIT3C

**Card Number**

**Expire Date**

**Cardholder's Name**

**Tel.**

**Cardholder's Sign**

**Date:**

**IMPERATIVE:** specify as object: MMRWC - NAME OF THE BOAT



