

# BALTIC CUP 2003

PORTO CERVO, 10th - 14th JUNE

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the rules as :

- International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2001/2004
- IMS Rules and Regulations
- Special Regulations governing Offshore Racing for Category 3 races with Life raft on board for all races
- The Notice of Race

In the event of a conflict between any of the above rules and/or regulations and the Sailing instructions, the Sailing Instructions and the subsequent communications of the Race Committee and/or the Jury shall prevail.

Italian shall be the official language used at the regatta.

### 2. Event classification and advertising

The Regatta is designated Category C, under ISAF Advertising Code, Regulation 20.

A flag with the sponsor's logo, a battle flag with the logo of the event and the sponsor's decal with a bow number may be given to each entered boat by the Organising Authority upon final registration. In this case the sponsor's flag shall be flown on the backstay of the boat from 18.00 hours on June 10<sup>th</sup> to 1 hour after the finish of the last race of the Series. The battle flag shall be flown while moored and the decals and the bow numbers shall be applied to both sides of the bow for the entire duration of the Regatta commencing immediately following registration.

### 3. Navigation lights

From sunset to sunrise, Part B of the International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea will apply replacing Part 2 of the ISAF 2001 - 2004 Racing Rules of Sailing.

For the purpose of this rule, sunset during the event is at 20.30 hours and sunrise at 06.00 hours local time.

### 4. Finishing at Night

When a boat finishes at night or with little visibility it must light her sail number its sail number using a powerful light or lighting her spreader light and do everything possible to identify herself to the Race Committee.

## 5. Venue

5.1 Regatta Headquarters will be located at the YCCS Club House and the Official Notice Board (ONB) will be located at the entrance of the Club House.

5.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flag staff located at the Terrace of the YCCS Club House.

## 6. Registration Formalities

The following shall be delivered to the Regatta Headquarters by 12.00 hours on June 10th:

- Crew List
- Disclaimer
- Rating Certificate

Yachts not complying with the above formalities are not eligible for the Championship.

The list of rating values shall be edited by the Organising Committee by 18.00 hours on June 10<sup>th</sup>, approved and signed by the Jury. Thereafter no changes of the rating values are possible unless as a consequence of controls and inspections.

## 7. Briefing

The official Briefing will be held at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda at 18.30 hours on June 10<sup>th</sup> 2003. Two representatives of each boat may attend.

## **78.** Alternative Penalties

**78.1** The following penalties shall be in force in case of breaking rules of Part 2:

RRS 44.2 is amended to read: "Her penalty shall be 360°"

**78.2** A boat infringing any other rule may be penalised by the Jury by applying a percentage scoring penalty ~~5%, 10% or 20% on her real time~~ or by disqualification.

**8.3** For OCS the penalty will be DSQ

78.4 Report of the Race Committee on OCS, except for recording mistakes, is no ground for redress. (Amends RRS 60.1)

## **9. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions and Notices to Competitors**

9.1 All amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 09.30 hours on the day it comes into effect. It is the responsibility of competitors to acquaint themselves with these notices. A copy of each amendment may be placed in each boat's mailbox located in the Regatta Headquarters.

9.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

## **10. Signals made ashore**

10.1 The display or removal of signals will be announced by sound signal and possibly via radio on VHF Channel 72.

10.2 Code flag AP (Answering Pennant) means the race is postponed. The warning signal will not be displayed before one hour after AP is lowered.

10.3 Code flag AP displayed over code flag "A" means that all races are postponed to a later day.

## **11. Programme**

11.1 - Tuesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	:	Inspections, Registrations & Briefing
- Wednesday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	:	Race
- Thursday, June 12 <sup>th</sup>	:	Race
- Friday, June 13 <sup>th</sup>	:	Race
- Saturday, June 14 <sup>th</sup>	:	Race and Final Prize Giving

The Race Committee may change the above programme due to the weather conditions or for other reasons.

11.2 Unless postponed, the first signal for all races will be given at 12.00 hours.

11.3 On Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> June there will be no warning signal after 13.00 hours.

11.4 The maximum number of races to be sailed shall be four. If four races are completed there will be one discard. The series will be valid if at least 2 races are completed.

## **12. Starting area - Courses - Finishing Line - Marks**

Starting areas, courses, finishing lines and marks are described in Appendix Alpha. Nautical Charts I.I. 42, 43, 323, 324, 325 and 910 are used for reference in the Appendix Alpha.

## **13. Start Procedure**

13.1 For the Start the fleet may start all together or in two groups.

Flag “W” will be utilised for the start procedure when all boats are starting together.

When starting in 2 separate groups the following flags will be utilised for the start procedure:

1 <sup>st</sup> Group	Division D	Flag “D”
2 <sup>nd</sup> Group	Division G	Flag “G”

The starting groups and divisions will be indicated in an appropriate communication.

13.2 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The warning signal for the subsequent group shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding group.

Boats of division G shall not interfere with the starting procedure of the division D and shall keep clear of the starting area. Infractions may be ground for protest.

13.3 All signals may be repeated on VHF channel 72. Radio signals are for information only. There will be no grounds for redress in the case of omission or mistakes of radio signals.

13.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end of the line and the starting mark at the port end.

The starting mark may be replaced by a Service Vessel displaying an orange flag. In this case the starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on each vessel.

13.5 A boat shall start no later than five minutes after her starting signal.

#### **14. Individual Recalls**

14.1 Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29.2.

14.2 If possible the words "Flag X-ray" will be repeated by radio over VHF channel 72.

#### **15. General Recall**

15.1 General recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.3.

15.2 If possible the words "General Recall" will be repeated several times over VHF channel 72.

#### **16. Committee, Service Boats and Support Vessels**

16.1 The Committee Boat will be identified by a blue flag with “R.C.”.

16.2 Service boats will be identified by a yellow flag with “R.C.”.

#### **17. Time Limits**

The time limit for the races is 18.00 hours. If at least one boat completes a course within the time limit, all other boats which complete the course within 60 minutes after the arrival of the 1<sup>st</sup> boat of their division will be scored. The correspondent average scoring of the yachts not arrived will be given to the other yachts.

In case of postponement of the starting time the time limit will not be changed.

## **18. Protests**

18.1 Protests shall be made in accordance with RRS 60.

18.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at Regatta Headquarters and lodged there within one hour after the protesting boat has finished the race, unless the Jury decides to extend the time limits.

18.3 Schedule of hearings will be posted on the ONB.

All persons involved in the hearings shall remain in the vicinity of the Jury Room.

18.4 The Race Committee or Jury intending to protest a boat under Rule 60.2(a) or Rule 60.3(a) because of an incident it observes in the racing area shall inform her after the race by posting a notice on the ONB within the protest time limit of the last boat.

18.5 On the last day of the Series a request for reopening a hearing held on the previous day shall be lodged within the protest time limit. On the last day of Series for the purpose of RRS 66 and 62.2 the time limit will be no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision of the protest (RRS 65) or of the relevant incident (RRS 62.2) . (Amends RRS 62.2 and 66)

18.6 While moored and at sea all boats shall respect all the rules to prevent pollution and environment damages. Furthermore attention is called on the Rules for the Park of La Maddalena presently in force.

The Jury may take action in case of infringements of the above ecological rules.

## **18.7 Measurement Protests**

Protests regarding a boat's rating and/or measurement shall be lodged within two hours of the warning signal of the first race. Measurement protests shall be accompanied by a deposit of €1.000,-. The protest shall indicate the matters to be examined. Rule 64.3(d) shall apply.

## **19. Scoring**

19.1 The Low Point Scoring System RRS Appendix A will apply. Ties not resolved by the Appendix will be broken by the relative position of each boat in the last race scored.

19.2 Decision on application of IMS options and performances curve scoring method shall be made by the Race Committee and shall not be ground for redress.

19.3 Immediately after and/or during the arrivals of boats informal and provisional results may be issued by the Secretariat for information only.

Final results shall be signed by the Race Committee Chairman.

## **20. Communications**

~~19~~20.1 All boats shall be equipped with VHF with channels 16 and 72.

~~19~~20.2 The official channel for the Race Committee is channel 72.

~~19~~20.3 The Race Committee will endeavour to announce signals over VHF channel 72. Failure to do so will not be grounds for requesting redress.

~~19~~20.4 Boats shall not make radio transmissions while racing except in case of emergency nor receive radio communications not available to all boats.

~~19~~20.5 A boat retiring from a race shall notify by radio the Race Committee as soon as possible over VHF channel 72 or by any possible means.

~~19~~20.6 A time check may be transmitted by the Race Committee over VHF channel 72 approx. 30 minutes before the first warning signal of each day race.

## **21. Crews Lists**

A Crew List with the name of each crew member shall be lodged at the Regatta Headquarters by 12.00 hours on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

Changes to the crew list shall be made in writing indicating the names of the substituting crew member(s) and shall be lodged at the Regatta Headquarters before 09.30 hours of each day.

All Italian crew members shall comply with the FIV prescriptions.

## **22. Moorings**

Moorings will be available at Porto Cervo Marina as per Baltic Cup Notice of Race for boats properly registered and participating in the event.  
Boats shall lie at sea at the moorings assigned to them.

## **23. Hauling out**

Boats shall not be hauled out after 12.00 on June 10th without prior written permission of the Jury.

## **24. Disclaimer**

Competitors agree to be bound by International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2001/2004, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of race.

Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their yacht, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages 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, relieving of any responsibility the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Baltic Yachts Italia and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the behaviour and dress of the yacht's crew, representatives and guests.

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".

In any case Competitors agree that the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Baltic Yachts Italia, the sponsors and their agents have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss, or damage to any vessel or property.

## **25. Trophies**

- The Baltic Challenge trophy to the 1<sup>st</sup> classified in the overall result
- Cups to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> classified in the overall results
- Cups to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Classified in the overall results of each eventual division
- Cup to the 1<sup>st</sup> classified in each day race

## **APPENDIX ALPHA COURSES**

### **1 Selection of the Course**

- 1.1 The course will be signalled to competitors by a notice posted on the ONB and/or by the Race Committee boat hoisting the International Code numerical pennant corresponding to the selected course.
- 1.2 The flag indicating the course will be hoisted on the Race Committee boat before the warning signal.

### **2. General Instructions**

#### **2.1 Starting Area**

The starting area will be located within a radius of approx. 4 n.m. of the entrance of Porto Cervo.

#### **2.2 Starting Line**

See paragraph 13.4 of the Sailing Instructions.

#### **2.3 Finishing Line**

The finishing line shall be between the mast of the YCCS Observatory situated on the hill near the red light at the entrance to Porto Cervo and the finishing mark. The YCCS burgee will be flying from the signal mast of the Observatory. Before crossing the finishing line the mark in Pevero Bay (mark Bravo) shall be left to starboard.

#### **2.4 Prohibited Passages**

For all courses, boats are prohibited to pass:

- between the Sardinian coast and the Secca del Cervo
- between the Sardinian coast and the Li Nibani isles
- between the Secca Corsara and the Isle of Spargi
- between the Isle of Spargiotto and the Isle of Spargi

N.B.: Between the Harbours of la Maddalena and Palau there is a continuous ferry boat service. Boats are advised to give priority to the ferry boats when sailing in their vicinity.



## 2.5 Marks for the various courses:

- Mark ALPHA : Mark at the port end of the starting line. Orange inflatable buoy
- Mark BRAVO : In the Pevero Bay, at approx. 1.200 m ESE from the red light of the entrance to Porto Cervo. Yellow inflatable with a yellow light flashing every 4".
- Mark CHARLIE : Windward mark after the start. May be positioned when indicated by the Race Committee Boat at approx. 2 n.m. from the starting line. Orange inflatable buoy  
(See paragraph 2.6)
- Mark DELTA : Iron cylindrical buoy in the Saline Bay.  
(Lat. 41.09.5 – Long. 09.25.2)
- ECHO : I° Monaci  
(Lat. 41.12.9 – Long. 09.31.0)
- FOXTROT : I° Mortoriotto  
(Lat. 41.05.2 – Long. 09.37.2)
- GOLF : Secca Tre Monti  
(Lat. 41.09.3 – Long. 09.27.8)
- HOTEL : I° Baretinelli di Fuori  
(Lat. 41.18.1 – Long. 09.24.1)
- INDIA : Secca Corsara  
(Lat. 41.13.4 – Long. 09.20.2)
- JULIET : I° Baretinelli  
(Lat. 41.16.5 – Long. 09.24.3)
- KILO : I° Le Bisce  
(Lat. 41.09.7 – Long. 09.31.5)
- LIMA : I° S. Stefano  
(Lat. 41.11.1 – Long. 09.24.6)
- Mark ZULU : At the finishing line, at approx. 400 m ENE from the red light at the entrance of Porto Cervo. Yellow inflatable with a yellow light flashing every 4".
- Ecueil de Lavezzi : (Lat. 41.19.0 – Long. 09.15.3)

Latitude and longitude values are expressed in degrees, minutes and decimal of minutes.

## 2.6 Mark to windward after the Start

The Race Committee may position an orange inflatable buoy at approx. 2 n.m. windward of the starting line. In this case, the Race Committee vessel will hoist one of the following signals together with the flag indicating the course:

- Red flag with numbers on a board meaning:  
“the windward mark in the direction indicated shall be left to port”
- Green flag with numbers on a board meaning:  
“the windward mark in the direction indicated shall be left to starboard”

2.7 The course may be shortened at any mark in accordance with RRS 32.2 and ICF "S". When the course is shortened at a mark, the finishing line shall be between the mark at which the course is shortened, which mark shall rank as the finishing mark and a staff bearing a blue flag on the finishing vessel.

### 3. Description of the races

3.1 Course N. 1 (approx. 23 n.m.)

Start – DELTA to starboard – ECHO to starboard – BRAVO to starboard - Finish

3.2 Course n. 2 (approx. 26 n.m.)

Start – GOLF to starboard – ECHO to starboard – FOXTROT to starboard – BRAVO to starboard – Finish.

3.3 Course n. 3 (approx. 26 n.m.)

Start – ECHO to port – GOLF to port – FOXTROT to starboard – BRAVO to starboard – Finish.

3.4 Course n. 4 (approx. 30 n.m.)

Start – HOTEL to port – LIMA to port – BRAVO to starboard – Finish.

3.5 Course n. 5 (distance to be defined)

Start – CHARLIE to port – ECHO to port – DELTA to port – CHARLIE to starboard - BRAVO to starboard – Finish.

3.6 Course n. 6 (approx. 30 n.m.)

Start – LIMA to starboard – INDIA to starboard – Isle of Spargi to starboard – LIMA to port – BRAVO to starboard – Finish.

3.7 Course n. 7 (approx. 39 n.m.)

Start – LIMA to starboard – Ecueil de Lavezzi to starboard – HOTEL to starboard – ECHO to starboard – BRAVO to starboard – Finish.

3.8 Course n. 8 (approx. 29 n.m.)

Start – LIMA to starboard – HOTEL to starboard – ECHO to starboard – BRAVO to starboard – Finish.