



# Volvo Melges 24 World Championship 2008

**Porto Cervo, 28<sup>th</sup> May – 6<sup>th</sup> June**

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

The International Melges 24 World Championship 2008 will be organised by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS), in co-operation with the Italian Melges 24 Class Association and the Melges 24 International Class Association.

The Official Regatta Headquarters will be at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Club House - Tel. +390789902200 - Fax +39078991213 e-mail: [secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it) web site [www.yccs.it](http://www.yccs.it)

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005 – 2008 (RRS)
- 1.2 No national authority prescription will apply.
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.
- 1.4 All competitors shall wear a life jacket or other adequate personal flotation device while racing, except for brief periods while changing clothing. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy. This changes RRS Part 4 preamble and 40.1.
- 1.5 English shall be the official language used at the Event.

### **2. ADVERTISING**

The event is classified Category C. Title Sponsor of the event is Volvo.

The Organising Authority may request all boats to hoist a sponsor's pennant and to apply sponsor's decals and bow numbers to both sides of the bow for the duration of the Regatta commencing immediately following registration until one hour after the finish of the last race and, whilst in harbour, boats may be requested to fly the event flag. The pennant, the event flag, the sponsor decals and the bow numbers will be provided by the Organising Authority. The Organising Authority may also require the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on board video cameras for the official television production and/or electronic tracking.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 The Championship is open to all boats of the Melges 24 Class that meet with the obligation of the Class Rules and their National Authority, in the case that a National Authority exists.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form on line at [www.melges24worlds2008.com](http://www.melges24worlds2008.com), together with the required non-refundable fee to the YCCS prior to the entry deadline of 01 May 2008. The Organising Authority will acknowledge complete entries upon receipt via email and post on the official event web site at [www.melges24worlds2008.com](http://www.melges24worlds2008.com)
- 3.3 Late entries will be accepted subject to a 30% surcharge.

3.4 Italian competitors shall be in compliance with the Italian Sailing Federation Rules (FIV).

#### **4. CLASSIFICATION**

- 4.1 The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply to the Corinthian Trophy. Please refer to ISAF's Web site: [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org)
- 4.2 Indicate classification for each sailor on the entry form if entering for the Corinthian Trophy and the unique ISAF User ID Number
- 4.3 The closing date for the registration of Corinthian entries shall be as in 3.2 above.
- 4.4 Sailors must be registered with ISAF prior to this date and be able to declare their User ID number on the entry form.
- 4.5 Late entries cannot be considered for this trophy.
- 4.6 Full details for the Corinthian Trophy can be found attached.

#### **5. FEES**

The Entry Fee will be 500 Euro ( five hundred). This entry fee includes: launching at commencement and recovery at conclusion of the Regatta at designated times, berthing for the event (from 09.00 on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2008 to 10.00 on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2008 ) tickets to after race events and social events for all competing crew.

Entry fees should be made by Credit Card or by bank transfer by completing details on Entry Form. Entries will not be valid until payment is received.

#### **6. PRE-EVENT REGATTA**

A pre-event regatta is scheduled to start on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May and will allow to start and course configuration experience.

#### **7. SCHEDULE**

Registration and crew weighing will be at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda as follows:

Day	Date	Time	Event
Wednesday	28 May	1000 – 1800	Boat Measurement – Sail registration – Crew Weigh in - Registration
Thursday	29 May	1000 – 1800	Boat Measurement – Sail registration – Crew Weigh in – Registration
		1130	First Start Pre-Worlds Tune-up Regatta (2 races)
Friday	30 May	1000 – 1800	Boat Measurement – Sail registration – Crew Weigh in – Registration
		1130	First Start Pre Worlds Tune-up Regatta (2 races)
Saturday	31 May	1000-1400	Boat Measurement – Sail registration – Crew Weigh in – Registration
		1130	First Start “Practice Racing” (# of races to be determined)
		1800	Offical Briefing – Welcome Cocktail
		1800	All boats afloat

Sunday	01 June	1130	First Start World Championship
Monday	02 June	1130	First Start World Championship
Tuesday	03 June	1130	First Start World Championship
Wednesday	04 June	1130	First Start Worlds Championship
Thursday	05 June	1130	First Start World Championship
Friday	06 June	1130	First Start World Championship
		1500	No Warning Signals after 1500
		1800	Awards

12 Races are scheduled for the World Championships.

If the entry exceeds 100 boats the O.A may divide the boats into fleets and a Gold and Silver fleet final as per the Split Fleet Sailing instructions in the IMCA Event Regulations.

The O.A. and/or the R.C. reserve the right to modify the programme due to weather conditions or other causes.

## **8. MEASUREMENTS**

- 8.1 Each boat shall produce a valid measurement certificate before the close of registration.
- 8.2 The Organizers may weigh measure or inspect any boat and or her equipment and sails before, during or after the races. Registration of sails and limitation stamping will take place during periods stated in 7 above. Chartered or loaned boats may display National letters and sail numbers in contravention of Class Rules.
- 8.3 There will be no facilities for initial measurement.
- 8.4 A boat shall provide a minimum of 2 people to facilitate measurement.

## **9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available after 10.00 hours on May 28<sup>th</sup> at Registration.

## **10. VENUE**

- 10.1 Attachment 'A' shows the location of Porto Cervo Harbour and YCCS Clubhouse.
- 10.2 Attachment 'B' shows the location of the racing areas.

## **11. THE COURSES**

The course to be sailed will be windward-leeward configuration with fleet racing. Prearder marks and leeward gates shall be used.

## **12. PENALTIY SYSTEM**

- 12.1 RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

- 12.2 Appendix 'P' ( Immediate penalties for breaking Rule 42) shall apply.
- 12.3 Decisions of the International Jury constituted in accordance with Appendix 'N' shall be final as provided in Rule 70.4.

### **13. SCORING**

- 13.1 The Low Point Scoring System as described in RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 13.2 Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 13.3 (a) When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
(b) When from six to twelve races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

### **14. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 14.1 Support boats shall be identified as decided by the Organisers.
- 14.2 The Coach and Support boat appendix shall be in operation (attached)

### **15. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING**

- 15.1 Cranage will be available at the following times: Daily from 09.30 to 19.00 from May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>. Cranage outside these hours will be subject to additional charge.
- 15.2 All boats are to be afloat by 18.00 on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2008.
- 15.3 Boats shall be kept on the assigned mooring place in the harbour. Fenders and mooring lines will be required.
- 15.4 The cost of electricity, water consumption and/or additional periods, must be paid directly to the Marina Office by the participants.  
To reserve moorings prior and after the event and to book moorings for tenders, please apply directly to the Marina Office: Tel.+390789905111 - Fax +39078991153 - email : [info@marinadiportocervo.com](mailto:info@marinadiportocervo.com)  
Early booking is recommended.

### **16. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Boats shall not be hauled out, or kept on a "hydro hoist" or other flotation devices during the regatta.

### **17. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus (including snorkels) and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

### **18. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 18.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.
- 18.2. Race information will be given on VHF Channel 71.

### **19. PRIZES**

- 19.1 Daily prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers.
- 19.2 Prizes will be awarded to the top eight overall as well as to the top five Corinthian teams.
- 19.3 The Melges Performance Trophy will be presented to the top overall finisher.

19.4 The Challenge Henri Samuel Trophy will be presented to the best Corinthian team.

## **20. DISCLAIMER**

- 20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 20.2 The owner/competitor is entirely responsible for her own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing, whether in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions or anywhere else, reduces this responsibility.
- 20.3 It is for the owner/competitor to decide whether the boat is fit to sail in the conditions in which they will find themselves. By launching or going to sea, the owner/competitor confirms that boat is fit for those conditions and the crew is competent to sail and compete in them.
- 20.4 Nothing done by the Organisers can reduce the responsibility of the owner/competitor nor will it make the Organisers responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, however, it may occur, as a result of the owner/competitor taking part in the racing. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability. The Organisers encompass everyone helping to run the race and the event, and include the Organising Authority, the Race Committee, the Race Officers.

## **21. INSURANCE**

- 22.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management shall be the sole inescapable responsibility of the owner/owners' representative.
- 22.2 The boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third-party insurance of minimum cover of 1.000.000 Euro, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

## **22. MEDIA RIGHTS**

Competitors grant Volvo and the Organizing Authority, the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' names and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this waiver of rights.

## **23. PRESS OFFICE**

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

YCCS Press Office

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda - 07020 Porto Cervo (SS) - Italy  
Tel. +390789902200 - Fax +39078991257 - Email: [pressoffice@yccs.it](mailto:pressoffice@yccs.it)

## **24. INFORMATION**

For further information please check the event web site [www.volvomelges24worlds2008.com](http://www.volvomelges24worlds2008.com) or the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda web site [www.yccs.it](http://www.yccs.it)

## APPENDIX

### COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

1. Coach and supporter boats shall register with the race office during registration. They shall declare which boat or boats they are attached to.
2. Coach and Supporter boats shall keep clear of the racing area at all times during racing.
3. Any Coach or Supporter boat that interferes with another competitor or the racing in any way, including creating excess wash, or hinders an official boat carrying out its duties shall have their race boat or boats liable to a penalty at the discretion of the Jury.
4. The penalty given by the Jury is at their discretion, but shall be applied to the overall score and therefore not discarded.
5. No Coach boat or Support boat shall pass information in any way to a boat that is racing. RRS 41. Infringements of this will be taken very seriously.
6. Coach and Support Boats shall communicate only with the boats they are registered to, and only by means of voice between races. Closed VHF or mobile telephone communication is prohibited.
7. Coach and Supporter boats shall display a flag, or other identification symbol, as may be required by the Race Committee.
8. All Melges 24 boats shall proceed to the Racing area under their own power.
9. There shall be no transfer of any goods or equipment until after the finish of the last race of the day between Melges 24's and their coach or support boats.
10. Coach and support boats shall not go alongside their Melges 24's until after the finish of the last race of the day.
11. Any competitor may protest under this appendix.

### PRESS AND SPECTATOR BOATS

1. All Press and Official Spectator boats shall be registered with the Race Organizers during Registration.
2. Press and Spectator boats shall not interfere with the racing in anyway and shall stay at a distance outside the racecourse where their wake causes no problem.
3. The organizers may appoint one or more photo boats, which will be allowed within the race course. The position of these boats shall not be grounds for redress.
4. Press and Spectator boats shall display any flag, or other identification symbol as may be required by the race committee.

# APPENDIX

## RULES FOR THE INTERNATIONAL MELGES 24 CORINTHIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

### RULES

1. The Corinthian Trophies shall be awarded as part of other International and Continental Championships. Racing shall be governed by the rules that apply to those Championships.

### EVENT TROPHIES

2. The trophies are as follows:

- a. World Championship 'The Challenge Henri Samuel Trophy'
- b. European Championship:
- c. North American Championship:

### ENTRIES

3. The event is open to crews who fulfill the requirements of eligibility.

4. Entries shall be declared on the entry form for the event.

### ELIGIBILITY

5. The ISAF Sailors Classification Code shall be used.

6. The helmsman shall meet the requirements of Group 1.

7. All the crew shall meet the requirements of Group 1 or Group 2.

8. No crew member shall meet the requirements of Group 3.

9. Burden of proof shall rest with the individual sailor.

10. Helmsman and crew may be substituted during a series for good and sufficient reason if approved by the Jury.

### PRIZES

11. The trophy shall be held by the winning helmsman until the next championship, but will remain the property of the donor. It will be the responsibility of the holder to see that the trophy is in the hands of the organizing country by the start of the next Championship.

12. Trophies shall be provided for the winning helmsman and crew of at least the first Corinthian crewed 6 boats.

### INTERPRETATION

13. These rules will be subject to interpretation and amendment by the IMCA



**OFFICIAL CARRIER**

## **Volvo Melges 24 World Championship 2008**

For the Volvo Melges 24 World Championship 2008, Moby is pleased to grant to the organizers, a 30% discount on the price of the ticket to all the participants to the Event, from 21<sup>st</sup> May to 12<sup>th</sup> June, on all Moby courses to Sardinia (from Genoa, Livorno, Piombino, Civitavecchia to Olbia) and back.

Following, the procedures for the booking:

- The booking Form has to be sent to Mrs Grazia Poggioli by mail ([grazia.poggioli@moby.it](mailto:grazia.poggioli@moby.it)) or by phone (n. +39 0565936243/242) or by fax (n. +39 0565 916758) including a copy of the Regatta Registration Form.

- Double checking on the registration list and the ferry bookings will be done both from Moby and the Yacht Club.

Reduction is strictly reserved to the participants to the Melges 24 World Championship only, and is not combinable to further discounts, promotions or special offers except 1€car one, which is available. It won't be applicable on taxes, rights and supplements, and it will be calculated on the rate in force to the date of booking. On the booking request it is mandatory to specify vehicles dimensions including height and length, also considering hooks of drawing, rudders or other. The non-observance of the mentioned conditions can cause the cancellation of the booking and the insertion in waiting list, previous payment of all the due differences;

- Payment will be requested by credit card at the confirmation of the booking.





Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

Crew: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this Declaration, the Applicants are requesting to be scored in the Corinthian Division for the Regatta listed above ("Regatta") and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Declaration and the rules of the International Melges 24 Class Association (IMCA).

### **CORINTHIAN DIVISION RULE:**

The Helm for the Regatta must be currently registered with the International Sailing Federation ("ISAF") Sailor Classification System as a Group 1 sailor. In addition, all crew members for the regatta must be currently registered with the ISAF Sailor Classification System as a Group 1 or a Group 2 sailor. The ISAF Competitor Classification Declaration and Rules can be found on-line at [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org). By completing and signing this Declaration, the Applicants are certifying they understand the above requirements and will remain in compliance with the rules during the Regatta.

### **CORINTHIAN QUESTIONS:**

At the time of completing this Corinthian Division Declaration:

*The Helm is (if the answer is NO to the following question, you do not qualify for the Corinthian Division):*

Response

(1) Currently registered under the ISAF Classification as a Group 1 Sailor?

**YES/NO** (Delete as applicable)

*All crew members are (if the answer is NO to the following question, you do not qualify for the Corinthian Division):*

Response

(1) Currently registered under the ISAF Classification as Group 1 or 2 Sailors?

**YES/NO** (Delete as applicable)

### **DECLARATION – CORINTHIAN ENTRIES:**

I have read and understand the ISAF Sailor Classification Code and IMCA Corinthian Division Rule, and I am not aware of any information that would disqualify me from competing for a Corinthian trophy. I will inform the IMCA and Race Organizers as soon as any of this information changes in any way that might change the boat's eligibility to compete in the Corinthian Division. I agree the IMCA or any body or person acting with its authority may seek any information it needs from any source at any time to verify the ISAF Classification for the helm and crew.

***I realize that if I give false or misleading information in this Declaration for the Corinthian Division, I or members of my crew may be subject to a hearing under RRS 2 and/or RRS 69, Suspension/Expulsion under paragraph 8 of the IMCA Constitution, and the helm may be disqualified from earning points for any IMCA Ranking Event for a period of one year.***

I have read and understand the above conditions and wish to be scored in the Corinthian Division for this regatta.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION – ALL ENTRIES:**

I agree to be bound by the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing and by all other rules that govern this event. I confirm that I will have Third Party Insurance in place for the duration of the Event, the sum of which is my entire and sole responsibility to ensure that it is adequate. I confirm that the owner and helmsman of this boat comply with IMCA membership requirements as detailed in Class Rule C.9.

I enclose:

- A copy of my Yacht's Measurement Certificate
- Entry Fee of Euro 500

The entry fee can be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer. If the payment is made by bank transfer, a copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form. Please send the transfer payments to:

Banca Intesa Sanpaolo SPA – Ag. Arzachena  
YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA  
CIN E – ABI 03069 – CAB 84901 – C/C 1000/71  
IBAN : IT21E0306984901100000000071  
Swift(BIC): BCITITMM

If the payment is made by Credit Card :

Credit Card payment    VISA ( )    MASTERCARD( )

Card Number .....Expiry Date .....

Cardholder Name .....

Contact number of cardholder .....

Entries received after May 1<sup>st</sup> 2008 will require the payment of an additional late fee of 150 Euro (Total for late entry fee 650 Euro).

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

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

# MARINA NUOVA - PORTO CERVO



## LEGEND

1. YCCS Clubhouse  
Race Office  
Media Centre  
Piazza Azzurra  
ATM  
Bar/Rest. Aqua  
Bar/Rest. La Conchiglia
2. Water taxi service:  
Marina Nuova - Porto Est
3. WC/Showers
4. Harbourmaster's Office  
Supermarket  
Newsagent/Tobacconist
5. Boatyard
6. Sail Measurement &  
Crew Weighing
7. YCCS Centro Sportivo -  
Boat inspection

# ATTACHMENT B

