



YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA

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NOTICE OF RACE
VIRGIN GORDA, 7th MARCH 2017

50th YCCS ANNIVERSARY REGATTA BVI



The 50th YCCS Anniversary Regatta BVI is organised by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS). The event is sanctioned by the Royal British Virgin Islands Yacht Club (RBVIYC) as National Authority to World Sailing.

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (O.A.) AND VENUE

The Regatta will take place in Virgin Gorda on 7th March 2017.



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1. THE RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following:

- (a) The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020;
- (b) ORC rules;
- (c) IRC rules;
- (d) CSA rules;
- (e) the World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with life rafts compulsorily on board;
- (f) Where and if a specific trophy is available for a specific class, the class rules of that class shall apply to boats competing for that trophy;
- (g) The Sailing Instructions and the Appendices.

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

1.2 English is the official language of the event. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

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.

2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats may display advertising in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code. Boats shall display Event Advertising in compliance with World Sailing 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 Marina area without the consent in writing of the O.A. obtained before the start of the Regatta.

3. ELIGIBILITY

3.1 The regatta is open to the following boats: boats with LH of 40 feet or more with a valid 2017 Rating Certificate as per Paragraph 1.1.

3.2 It is at the discretion of the Organizing Authority to invite or accept yachts of particular interest or historical significance.

4. CLASSES

The Organizer will, at its sole discretion, divide the fleet into Classes based on the number of entries, the boats' size, speed potential and performance characteristics. A notice with the preliminary breaks will be posted on the YCCS website by 5th March, 2017.



5. ENTRIES

5.1 Entries shall be made by completing the attached Official Entry Form (Annex1) and shall be received by the YCCS Race Office by 15th February, 2017 together with:

- (a) a copy of the Rating Certificate;
- (b) an entry fee of 100 USD;

5.2 The entry fee may be paid by credit card (MASTERCARD or VISA) or by bank transfer as stated in detail on the entry form.

5.3 In the absolute discretion of the Organizing Authority, late entries may be accepted after 15th February, 2017.

5.4 The organizers reserve the right to cancel the regatta completely by written notification to each yacht via email to the email addresses provided on the Entry Form. In the event of cancellation of the regatta each yacht's entry fee that has been received by the organisers will be refunded in full to that yacht.

6. PROGRAMME

6.1 The Scheduled time of the first warning signal will be at 11.00.

6.2 Monday 6th March: Registration, Measurement, Inspection and Skippers' Briefing to be held at YCCS Clubhouse at 16.30.

6.3 Tuesday, 7th March: Race

6.4 Tuesday 7th March: Prize giving at 16.30.

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

7. MEASUREMENTS AND CONTROLS

7.1 Boats shall be available to the Measurement & Inspection Committee no later than 10.00 on March 6th and will be subject to inspection and control. Boats may be inspected and/or check measured at any reasonable time before or during the regatta.

7.2 A list of ratings of the boats will be posted on the event web site (www.yccs.com) by 6th of March. The list will also be 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 on 6th March.

8. REGISTRATIONS

Final Registration formalities shall be completed at the YCCS's Race Office by 16.00 on March 6th unless the O.A. approves 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) Crew list;
- (c) Media release consent signed by all crew members;
- (d) Original 2017 Certificate unless and if different than the one already produced.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

The SI will be available for competitors upon final registration and published online on the event website www.yccs.com.

10. RACING AREA AND CHARTS

The course to be sailed will be a round the Virgin Gorda Island race. See NoR Appendix BRAVO.

11. INTERNATIONAL JURY

Protests will be heard by an International Jury or Protest Committee.

12. SCORING

The Low Point System RRS Appendix A shall apply.

13. MOORINGS

13.1 The entry fee includes mooring fees from 10.00 on March 6th to 11.00 on March 8th 2017, at YCCS Marina Virgin Gorda provided that the completed entry form and entry fee are received by the YCCS Race Office before 15th February 2017.

13.2 For late entries, moorings and moorings fees are not guaranteed.



13.3 Assignment of mooring will be based on availability of moorings and characteristics of the boat.

13.4 The costs of electricity, water charges, tenders and/or additional periods are not included in the entry fee and must be paid directly to the Marina Office.

13.5 To reserve moorings before and after the dates indicated in par.13.1 and for tenders please contact:

YCCS Dockmaster
YCCS Marina Virgin Gorda
P.O. Box 132, North Sound,
Virgin Gorda, British Virgin Islands
YCCS Marina Office: +1 284 393 2000
Emergency mobile phone: +1 284 346 2000
Email: info@yccs.vg

All boats must inform the Harbormaster's Office on VHF Channel 08 when they first arrive in Virgin Gorda and each time they leave or enter the harbor thereafter. When moored, it is mandatory for all participants to visit the Harbormaster's Office to finalize their registration procedures.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

14.1 All boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver capable of operating on VHF channel 8, 9, 16 and 72.

14.2 RRS 41 is changed such that for safety purposes boat to boat communication is allowed and encouraged. A dedicated VHF channel shall be used for this purpose and will be advised at the Briefing. Boats shall maintain a constant watch on the safety channel when sailing in or near the racing area.

15. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

- Perpetual Challenge Trophy for the fastest boat round the island in real time and corrected time.
- Trophies for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd scored boats of each Class;
- YCCS Trophy for the highest placed YCCS Member;
- A memento for all the competing boats;
- Additional trophies to the winner of any approved group within each Class.

16. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Any amendments prior to 6th March will be emailed to owners whose entries have been accepted. Amendments will also be posted on the official website (www.yccs.com). Amendments to this Notice of Race after March 6th will be posted on the Official Notice Board, on the official website and copies will be available from the Regatta Office.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 Competitors agree to be bound by International RRS 2017/2020, the SI and the NoR. Competitors agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any yacht participating in the **YCCS 50th Anniversary Regatta BVI**, 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, and its servants, agents and sponsors and their representatives in respect of any claim arising there from.

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

17.3 In summary, competitors agree that the O.A., YCCS, 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.

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



18. MEDIA RELEASES

Competitors grant the Organizing Authority and the Sponsors the unrestricted right and permission to use the yacht name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever, for either editorial or promotional purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, the yacht owner's name, and any biographical material regarding the owner shall not be published without obtaining permission from the yacht owner. If permission is not granted, the owner shall be referred to as "the owner of yacht name." As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this waiver of rights.

19. 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.

20. CONTACT DETAILS & FURTHER INFORMATION

YCCS Race Office:

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

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21. SOCIAL EVENTS

Monday 6th March
Welcome Reception

Thursday 7th March
Final Prize Giving

The final social programme will be available to competitors upon final registration and published online www.yccs.com.

About the 50th YCCS Anniversary Regatta

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For further information and to participate in the event please visit the YCCS website www.yccs.com.



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| 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 | | |
| IMPERATIVE: 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: | @: | | |
| PRESS INFOS: | | | | |
| 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 ()

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| <u>Bank Transfert ()</u> | <u>Credit Card:</u> VISA () | MASTERCARD () | AMEX () |
| BANK DETAILS: | <u>Card Number</u> | | |
| Yacht Club Costa Smeralda | <u>Expire Date</u> | | |
| Banca Intesa San Paolo | <u>Cardholder's Name</u> | | |
| IBAN: IT33 F030 6984 9021 0000 0000 071 | <u>Tel.</u> | | |
| BIC - SWIFT: BCITITMM | <u>Cardholder's Sign</u> | <u>Date:</u> | |

IMPERATIVE: specify as object: YCCS Anniversary Regatta – NAME OF THE BOAT

