



BOAT INTERNATIONAL SUPER YACHT REGATTA 2008



SILVER JUBILEE
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
Porto Cervo - Italy
Sunday 22nd – Thursday 26th June



PORTO CERVO, 22nd – 26th JUNE 2008

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1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by:

- Racing Rules of Sailing 2005/2008 (RRS)
- Special Regulations governing Offshore Racing for Category 3, with life raft on board compulsory. Life rafts are items of life saving equipment. Attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 (Life saving equipment and personal buoyancy)
- IRC Rules and Regulations
- IMA Class Rules and Regulations (for IMA Trophy)

Italian competitors shall be in compliance with the Italian Sailing Federation Rules (FIV). Other Italian Federation prescriptions do not apply.

Power assisted winches, canting keels, trim tab and water ballast are permitted.

If there is a conflict between any of the above rules and/or regulations and the Sailing Instructions the decision of the International Jury with the approval of the IMA representative shall prevail.

English shall be the official language used at the regatta.

2. Event classification and advertising

2.1 This event is designated RRS Category C, under ISAF Advertising Code, Regulation 20.

All participating boats shall hoist a sponsor's pennant and a battle flag with the logo of the event. The battle flag shall be flown on the backstay of the boat from 18.00 hours on June 22nd 2008 to 1 hour after the finish of the last race of the Series. The battle flag shall be flown while moored for the entire duration of the Regatta commencing immediately following registration until one hour after the finish of the last race.

2.2 The Organizing Authority may also require:

- the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on board video cameras for the official television production.
- to have TV cameramen on board in excess of the crew weight limit

2.3 The display of sponsorship from previous events or of Class sponsors shall not be allowed .

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 2005/2008 Racing Rules of Sailing, in accordance with the preamble of Part 2 of the RRS. For the purpose of this instruction, sunset during the event is at 20.00 hours and sunrise at 06.30 hours local time.

4. Finishing at night

When a boat finishes at night or with little visibility she shall light her sail number using a powerful light or lighting her spreader light and do as much as possible to identify herself to the Race Committee.

5. Venue

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

6. Entries

The fleet will be split, according to the entries, into Performance and Cruising divisions at the discretion of the O.A.

7. Registration Formalities

To qualify as an official competitor the following shall be completed with the Race Office by 15.00 hours on June 22nd, 2008:

- entry form duly signed
- crew list
- entry fee
- rating certificate

Yachts not complying with the above formalities are not eligible for the event without approval of the International Jury.

Values of rating certificates issued by 17.00 hours on June 22nd, 2008 shall not be modified without the International Jury's approval.

8. Briefing

The official Briefing will be held at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda at 18.00 hours on June 22nd, 2008. Two representatives of each boat shall attend.

9. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions and Notices to Competitors

9.1 Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the ONB no later than 09.30 hours on the day it comes into effect except that changes to the programme shall be posted by 20.00 hours on the day before the change takes 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 ONB.

10 Signals made ashore

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

10.2 The display or removal of signals will be announced by sound signal and possibly via radio on VHF Channel 72. There will be no grounds for request of redress in the case of mistakes or omission of sound or radio signals. (This amends RRS 62).

10.3 Code flag "AP" (Answering Pennant) means "the race is postponed". The warning signal will not be displayed before 60 minutes after "AP is lowered".

11. Programme

11.1 The programme will be as follows:

Sunday 22 nd June	Inspections, Registrations and Briefing
Monday 23 rd June	Race
Tuesday 24 th June	Race
Wednesday 25 th June	Lay Day (or re-sail)
Thursday 26 th June	Race and Final Prize Giving

3 races are scheduled of which one race will constitute a series.

- 11.2 The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the above programme according to weather conditions and/or other unforeseen reasons.
- 11.3 The initial signal for the first race of the day will be made every day at 12.00 hours.
- 11.4 On Thursday, 26th June there will be no warning signal after 14.00 hours.
- 11.5 There will be no discard. This modifies Appendix A2 RRS.

12. Starting area - Courses - Finishing Line - Marks

Starting areas, courses, finishing lines and marks are described in Appendix Bravo (Coastal and Island Courses).

13. Starting Procedure

13.1 In accordance with RRS 26 the following flags will be utilised as Class Flags:

Performance Division	Warning signal:	Flag “J”
Cruising Division	Warning signal:	Flag “R”

13.2 Unless postponed the starting sequence will be:

- First signal for the Performance Division fleet at 12.00
- First signal for the first boat of the Cruising Division at 12.10

Class flags will be displayed accordingly.

At or before the warning signal the Race Committee will display the number of the course to be sailed on a number board on the Race Committee signal boat. Competitors are advised that courses may differ for the two Divisions.

13.3 Boats in the Cruising Division will start at three (3) minute intervals based on the schedule outlined in Appendix ALPHA. Appendix ALPHA will be published by the Organising Authority when registration is completed. If the warning signal for the Cruising Division is at 12.10 (see 13.2 above), the start for the first boat would be at 12.15. Each boat thereafter would start in succession three (3) minutes apart according to the sequence and time interval specified in Appendix ALPHA. The Race Committee reserves the right to modify the time interval between starts for each race if necessary and will so notify competitors with an amendment to the Sailing Instructions and the publishing of a revised Appendix ALPHA reflecting that change.

The Race Committee may announce the start time for each boat in sequence on VHF channel 72. The failure to do so, delays or errors in the transmission shall not be grounds for a request for redress. (Amends RRS 62.)

13.4 Boats not starting shall not interfere with the starting procedure of the previous group and shall keep clear of the starting area. Infringements may be ground for protest.

All support boats shall keep well clear of the starting area and, after the preparatory signal, are not to approach within 100 metres of any competing boat.

Infringement of this Rule by a boat’s support vessel may result in the imposition of a scoring penalty against that boat by the International Jury.

13.5 All signals may be repeated on VHF channel 72. Radio signals are for information only. There will be no grounds for request for redress in the case of omission, delay or mistakes in the broadcast of radio signals. (This amends RRS 62).

13.6 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 boat displaying an orange flag. In this case the starting line will be between the staffs displaying an orange flag on each boat. The Race Committee Boat and/or Service boat on the starting line may hold their position with the use of engines.

13.7 Both the Race Committee Boat and the Service boat rate as marks.

13.8 A boat shall start no later than five minutes after her starting signal except for OCS, whose time is extended to 10 minutes.

13.9 For safety reasons, boats are permitted to run their engines in neutral until 5 minutes after the start. Engines may be engaged during that period solely for the purpose of ensuring the safety of boats and crews.

14. Individual Recalls

14.1 Individual recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.1.

14.2 The sail numbers of the OCS boats may be repeated by radio. Failure, delay or errors in the radio transmission shall not be grounds for request of redress. (Amends RRS 62).

15. General Recall

15.1 General recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

16. Committee Boat, Jury Boat, Service Boats and Press Vessels

16.1 The Race Committee boat will be identified by a blue flag with "R.C.", a large burgee of the YCCS and the event's flag. The Race Committee boat will normally be the starting boat.

16.2 Service vessels will be marked by a flag with a red letter "S" on a white background.

16.3 The Jury boat will display a white flag with " J ".

16.4 Vessels used by Press, Photographers, Film Crews, VIP's, etc. are not under the jurisdiction of the Race Committee.

17. Time Limits

The time limit is 19.00 hours except the last day of the regatta when it will be 17.00 hours.

If at least one boat of each division sails the course and finishes within the time limit, all other boats of the same division which complete the course within 180 minutes after the arrival of the first boat will be scored.

Boats failing to finish within 180 minutes after the finish of the first boat of same division will be scored one position worse than the last scored yacht . However on the last day of the regatta a period of 60 minutes shall be substituted for the period of 180 minutes. (This changes RRS 35 and A4.1). In case of postponement of the starting time the time limit will not be changed.

18. Retirement

18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee Boat by hailing or on VHF channel 72 before leaving the race area, or the Race Office immediately after arriving ashore.

18.2 Boats that do not leave the harbour shall notify the Regatta Headquarter before 11.30am.

18.3 A boat forced to return ashore to a point different than its assigned mooring place at Porto Cerro Marina or that can not reach the Marina by its own means shall inform the Regatta Headquarters of its circumstances immediately by calling any of the following:

- YCCS Race Office Phone n° + 39 0789 902200
- Race Committee VHF Channel 72

19. Protests

- 19.1 Protests shall be made in accordance with RRS 60 and 61.
- 19.2 Protests forms are available at Regatta Headquarters and the completed Protest Form shall be lodged there within 90 minutes after the protesting boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 19.3 Schedule of hearings will be posted on the ONB as soon as possible.
Protests shall be heard as soon as possible in approximately the order received.
All persons involved in the hearings shall remain in the vicinity of the Jury Room.
- 19.4 The Race Committee or International Jury intending to protest a boat under Rule 60.2(a) or Rule 60.3(a) because of an incident observed 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.
- 19.5 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 the 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).
- 19.6 Protests regarding a boat's rating and/or measurement shall be lodged not later than two hours before the scheduled warning signal of the first race.
The protest shall indicate the matters to be examined. Rule 64.3(d) shall apply.
- 19.7 It is the boat's representative's sole responsibility to check the protest notices at the end of the protest filing time to see if she is cited in a protest. Competitors are reminded of RRS 63.3 (b).
- 19.8 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.4.

20. Communications

- 20.1 The Race Committee may use VHF 72 to broadcast information such as signals made ashore, location of the Race Committee Boat, bow or sail numbers of boats recalled, change of course etc.
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.
- 20.2 Failure to receive or hear radio transmissions will not be grounds for request of redress (Amends RRS 60.1 (b) and 62.1 (a)).
- 20.3 A boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.
- 20.4 Channel 72 shall not be utilised by the boats except as indicated in paragraph 18 (Retirement) and radio shall not be utilised for protest communications.

21. Scoring

- 21.1 The Performance and Cruising Divisions will race under the IRC Rule using time-on-time. Scoring will be done in accordance with RRS Appendix A except that a boat's score will be the sum of all her race scores. This modifies Appendix A2.

For the purpose of determining the overall winner of the Boat International Silver Jubilee Cup, each boat's corrected speed will be calculated for all races by dividing the total distance sailed by the cumulative corrected time. The overall winner will be the boat with the best combined corrected speed.

- 21.2 The decisions concerning the distance, the wind strength and the percentage and/or different directions of the wind are the responsibility of the Race Committee and are not grounds for request of redress. (Amends RRS 62).
- 21.3 Immediately after and/or during the arrivals of boats informal and provisional results may be issued by the Secretariat for information only.
Formal final results shall be signed by the Race Committee and International Jury Chairman.

21.4 The Low Point 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 where both boats competed.

22. Penalties

22.1 RRS 44.2 is amended to read: “ After getting well clear of other boats as soon after the incident as possible, a boat takes a One-Turn Penalty by promptly making one turn in the same direction, including one tack and one gybe. When a boat takes the penalty at or near the finishing line, she shall sail completely to the course side of the line before finishing”.

22.2 The jury may impose a penalty less than disqualification (including no penalty) in the event of a breach of a rule other than a rule of Part 2. This changes Rule 64.1.

23. Nautical Charts

Italian nautical charts of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina, referred in this Sailing Instructions are: 42, 43, 323, 324, 325, 910.

24. Moorings

Free moorings will be available at Porto Cervo Marina from 08.00 hours on June 22nd to 10.00 hours of June 27th for boats timely registered and participating in the event.

Boats shall only use the moorings assigned to them.

Mooring fees will be applied for boats not respecting the assigned mooring place.

For assistance with the mooring please contact the Marina Office on VHF Channel 9.

On arrival in Porto Cervo all boats shall register with the Marina Office.

Provision of water and electricity is not included in the Entry Fee and must be requested at the Marina Office. Payment for these services must be made to the Marina Office.

The cleaning of the hull at sea is permitted, as is the use of mask and bottles.

25. Rating Certificates

25.1 The IMA Technical Office has arranged with the RORC Rating Office in Lymington and with the UNCL Office in Paris to process certificate requests received by that office until 17.00 hours on 21st June, 2008. Copies of new certificates will be sent directly to the IMA Technical Office to be properly signed by the owner in order to become valid.

Prior to 15.00 hours on June 22nd a signed copy of the boat's final certificate shall be presented at the Regatta Headquarters:

25.2 The list of rating values shall be issued by the Measurer pre-approved by the O.A by 15.00 hours on June 22nd , approved and signed by the International Jury. Thereafter no changes of the rating values are possible unless as a consequence of controls and inspections and with the approval of the International Jury.

26. Control, Measurement and Inspection

26.1 Boats may be inspected and/or check measured at any reasonable time before or during the regatta. Boats shall only be measured by measurers pre-approved by the O.A.

28. Ecological Rules

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

29. Electronic Equipment

All types of electronic aids, including radar, GPS, etc., are permitted.

30. Trophies

- The Boat International Silver Jubilee Cup to best overall classified yacht. of the event.
- Rolex watch to the best overall classified yacht in each division
- Special trophy will be awarded to the best scored Southern Wind Yacht
- IMA Trophy for the best scored IMA Member