

PORTO CERVO, 6th – 8th JUNE 2009

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. <u>Rules</u>

The regatta will be governed by:

- Racing Rules of Sailing 2009/2012 (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

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 shall prevail.

English shall be the official language used at the regatta.

2. Event classification and advertising

- 2.1 Boats may display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code. 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 6th 2009 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

3. <u>Navigation lights</u>

From sunset to sunrise, Part B of the International Regulations for preventing collisions at sea will apply replacing Part 2 of the ISAF 2009/2012 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 20.30 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. <u>Venue</u>

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. <u>Registration Formalities</u>

To qualify as an official competitor the following shall be completed with the Race Office by 15.00 hours on June 6^{th} , 2009:

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

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 6th, 2009 shall not be modified without the International Jury's approval.

7. Briefing

The official Briefing will be held at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda at 10.30 hours on June 7^{th} , 2009. Two representatives of each boat shall attend.

8. <u>Amendments to the Sailing Instructions and Notices to Competitors</u>

- 8.1 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.
- 8.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the ONB.

9 <u>Signals made ashore</u>

- 9.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the official flag staff located at the Terrace of the YCCS Club House.
- 9.2 The display or removal of signals ashore 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).
- 9.3 Code flag "AP" (Answering Pennant) means "the race is postponed". The warning signal will not be displayed before 60 minutes after "AP is lowered".

10. Programme

10.1 The programme will be as follows:

Saturday 6 th June	Inspections, Registrations
Sunday 7 th June	Briefing and Race
Monday 8 th June	Race and Final Prize Giving

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

- 10.2 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.
- 10.3 The initial signal for the first race of the day will be made at 13.00 hours on Sunday 7th and at 12.00 hours on Monday 8th.
- 10.4 On Monday, 8th June there will be no warning signal after 15.30 hours.

11. Starting area - Courses - Finishing Line - Marks

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

12. <u>Starting Procedure</u>

12.1 In accordance with RRS 26 the flag that be utilised as Class Flag is Flag "D":

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.

- 12.2 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 a time penalty in accordance with SI 20.1 against that boat by the International Jury.
- 12.3 All signals may be repeated on VHF channel 72. Radio signals are for information only.
- 12.4 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 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.

- 12.5 Both the Race Committee Boat and the Service boat rate as marks.
- 12.6 A boat shall start no later than five minutes after her starting signal.
- 12.7 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.

If a boat uses her engine for safety reason before or during the 5 minutes after the start, a declaration of "engine use" shall be done by the skipper: declaration forms will be available at the Race Office. The use of engine for safety reasons is not ground for protest by another boat.

13. Individual Recalls

The sail numbers or name of the boats of the OCS boats may be repeated by radio on VHF 72.

14. <u>Committee Boat, Jury Boat, Service Boats and Press Vessels</u>

- 14.1 The Race Committee boat will be identified by a blue flag with "R.C.", a large burgee of the YCCS and/or the event's flag. The Race Committee boat will normally be the starting boat.
- 14.2 Service vessels will be marked by a flag with a red letter "S" on a white background.
- 14.3 The Jury boat will display a white flag with "J".
- 14.4 Vessels used by Press, Photographers, Film Crews, VIP's, etc. are not under the jurisdiction of the Race Committee.

15. <u>Time Limits</u>

The time limit is 19.30 hours except the last day of the regatta when it will be 18.00 hours. If at least one boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit, all other boats 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 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.

16. <u>Retirement</u>

- 16.1 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.
- 16.2 Boats that do not leave the harbour shall notify the Regatta Headquarter before 11.30am.
- 16.3 A boat forced to return ashore to a point different than its assigned mooring place at Porto Cervo 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

17. Protests

- 17.1 Protests shall be made in accordance with RRS 60 and 61.
- 17.2 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 race of the day.
- 17.3 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.
- 17.4 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.
- 17.5 Sailing Instructions 2.1, 16.1, 16.2, 18.3 and 18.4 shall not be subject to protest by competing boats.
- 17.6 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).
- 17.6 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.

- 17.7 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).
- 17.8 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.4.

18. <u>Communications</u>

- 18.1 The Race Committee broadcasts will be made on VHF 72 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.
- 18.2 There shall be no claim for redress in the case of failure to make a radio transmission, delay or error in a transmission, or failure to receive or hear a transmission. This changes.RRS 60.1 (b) and 62.1 (a).
- 18.3 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.
- 18.4 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.

19. <u>Scoring</u>

19.1 The boats will race under the IRC Rule using time-on-time. The Low Point System RRS Appendix A will apply. There will be no discard.

- 19.2 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).
- 19.3 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.

20. Penalties

- 20.1 RRS 44.1(a) and 44.1(b) shall appky.
- 20.2 The Scoring Penalty RRS 44.3(a) and 44.3(b) shall apply. The penalty imposed per RRS 44.3(c) shall be 2% of a boat's elapsed time.
- 20.3 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.

21. Moorings

Free moorings will be available at Porto Cervo Marina as detailed in the NoR. 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.

22. Rating Certificates

- 22.1 Prior to 15.00 hours on June 6th a signed copy of the boat's final certificate shall be presented at the Regatta Headquarters.
- 22.2 The list of rating values shall be issued by the Measurer pre-approved by the O.A by 18.00 hours on June 6th, 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.

23. Control, Measurement and Inspection

23.1 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.

24. Electronic Equipment

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

25. Trophies

- The Dubois Cup 2009 to best overall classified yacht of the event.
- Trophies for the 1st,2nd,3rd overall classified yachts.
- Special trophy will be awarded to all the participant boats.



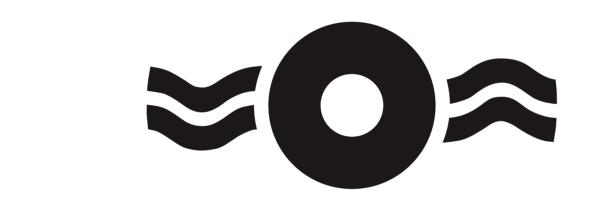
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