

COPPA EUROPA SMERALDA 888

Porto Cervo, 21st – 23rd July 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. <u>Rules</u>

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the WS Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020.
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions and the subsequent communications of the race committee shall prevail.
- 1.3 FIV Prescriptions 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 11 will apply. All Italians competitors shall be FIV members and have a valid medical certificate.
- 1.4 English shall be the official language used at the regatta.

2. <u>Racing Area</u>

Refer to the NoR at paragraph 9.

3. <u>Venue</u>

- 3.1 Regatta Headquarters and the official notice board (ONB) will be located at the YCCS regatta Village.
- 3.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flag staff located at the YCCS regatta village.

4. Entries and Eligibility

Only Clubs invited by the Organising Authority are eligible for the event.

5. Crew Members

Refer to NoR at paragraph 6.1.

6. <u>Registration Formalities</u>

The following shall be delivered to the YCCS Race Office by 11.00 on Friday 21st July.

- Entry Form duly completed and signed;
- Payment of entry fee.

Boats not complying with the above formalities are not eligible for the event.

7. <u>Briefing</u>

The official Briefing will be held at the YCCS Roof Terrace at 11.30 on Friday 21st July.

8. <u>Alternative Penalties</u>

RRS 44.1 is changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required even for infringement of rules of part 2.

9. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions and Notices to Competitors

- 9.1 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board no later than 10.00 on the day it takes effect. It is the responsibility of competitors to acquaint themselves with these notices.
- 9.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board.

10. Signals made ashore

Code flag AP (Answering Pennant) means that the race is postponed. The warning signal will not be displayed prior to one hour after AP is lowered. This changes RRS Race Signals "AP".

11. Programme

- Friday, 2

11.1	- Thursday, 20 th July	Arrival of participants, Registrations from 10.00 to 18.00
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- Saturday, 22 nd July	11.30	Race (s)
- Sunday, 23 rd July	11.30 to follow	Race (s) Prize Giving at the YCCS Clubhouse

Friends and/or guests of the participants may attend the scheduled social events at cost, on the conditions indicated in the entry form.

The O.A. reserves the right to modify the above programme according to weather conditions and/or other reasons. 11.2 No warning signal will be made after 15.00 on Sunday,23rd July.

11.3 The maximum number of races to be sailed shall be eight. The series will be valid if at least 3 races are completed. All races will have coefficient 1. The maximum number of races per each day is three.

12. <u>Start Procedure</u>

- 12.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 12.2 A boat which starts later than five minutes after her starting signal, shall be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 12.3 In accordance with RRS 26, the Smeralda 888 Class Flag will be displayed as the warning signal.

13. <u>Starting Line</u>

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 (red inflatable buoy) 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. This action will not be grounds for a request for redress (amends RRS 62.1.a).

Both the race committee boat and the service boat rate as marks.

14. <u>Finishing Line</u>

The finishing line will be a straight line between the course side of a red inflatable buoy and an orange flag on the race committee boat.

When finishing downwind the race committee boat shall be left to port and the inflatable mark to starboard. The finishing mark may be replaced by a service boat displaying an orange flag. In this instance, the finishing line will be between the staffs displaying an orange flag on each boat. The race committee boat and/or service boat on the finishing line may hold their position with the use of engines. This action will not be grounds for a request for redress (amends RRS 62.1.a).

15. <u>Description of the Course</u>

W-L Course as described in Appendix Alpha.

16. Individual Recalls

Individual recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29.1.

17. <u>General Recall</u>

General recalls will be signalled in accordance with RRS 29.2.

18. <u>Time Limit</u>

The time limit is of 90 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat will be scored point equal to the number of finishers plus 2 points. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

19. <u>Marks</u>

All course marks will be red inflatable marks.

20. Change of Course after the start

Rule 33 applies. In case of a course change, the offset Mark shall not be positioned, and the new Mark will be Yellow. If a change of course is signalled for a downwind leg the downwind marks will remain original marks (red inflatable buoy).

21. <u>Shortening of the Course</u>

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 the "S" flag on the finishing boat.

22. Committee, Service Boats and Support Vessels

- 22.1 The race committee boat will be identified by a large burgee of the YCCS.
- 22.2 Service boats will be identified by a flag with a red letter "S" on a white background.

23. <u>Protests</u>

- 23.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the YCCS race office and lodged there within the protest time limit (PTL) posted on the official notice board, and will be 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 23.2 Schedule of hearings will be posted on the official notice board. All persons involved in the hearings shall remain in the vicinity of the protest room at YCCS Clubhouse.
- 23.3 The race committee/protest committee 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 official notice board within the protest tie limit as indicated in paragraph 23.1 of these instructions.
- 23.4 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 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. Amends RRS 62.2 and 66.
- 23.5 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.

24. <u>Scoring</u>

The low point system scoring Appendix A applies. Each yacht's score shall be the sum of all her races (no discards).

25. Communications

A boat retiring from a race shall notify the race committee or the race office as soon as possible.

26. Disclaimer

Refer to Entry Form (Annex 1 of the NoR).

27. <u>Trophies</u>

Refer to NoR at point 8.

APPENDIX ALPHA

Description of the Course

1. General Instructions

1.1 <u>Starting Area</u> The starting area will be located within a radius of approx. 2 n.m. of the entrance of Porto Cervo.

2. Description of the Course

Marks shall be rounded to port in the following order:

<u>Start - Mark 1 – Mark 1a - Starting Mark – Mark 1 - Mark 1a -</u> Finish.

Mark 1a will be an "Offset" mark placed approximately 90° to port of Mark 1.

Marks shall be rounded to Port (except for the finishing line downwind).

The race committee will try to set a course which will take approximately 40 minutes to be completed.

The length of the course shall be determined by the race committee. A longer or shorter racing time will not be grounds for redress (amends RRS 62.1 (a)).

