

## Article 1 - Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including modified World Sailing Addendum Q attached approved by the Italian Sailing Federation under rule 86.3.
- 1.2 Recorded video and images from any source: press, media or support boat, or data/video of positioning electronic devices (tracking) cannot be used as evidence during the hearings and shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes rules 63.3, 63.6 and 60.1 (b).
- 1.3 Add to rule 41 OUTSIDE HELP: (e) Help to recover from the water and return on board any person overboard, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
- 1.4 Penalties shall not be taken within the *zone* of the windward mark or on the offset leg.

## Article 2 - Sail numbers and identification

- 2.1 The sail number on the mainsail of a boat must correspond to the number declared on the entry form. Penalty for non-compliance will be at the discretion of the J.
- 2.2 Competitors shall display the numbered stickers given by the organizer at registration on each side of the hull as far forward on the bow as possible. Penalty for non-compliance will be at J discretion.
- 2.3 Competitors shall display Audi stickers provided by the organizer at registration near the goose-neck of each side of the boom.

## Article 3 - Notices to competitors, changes to the sailing instructions and signals made ashore

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in front of the entrance of the YCCS Clubhouse. Competitors, are expected to check the board before and after each sailing day.
- 3.2 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour before the first start of the day, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 8 pm on the day before it will take effect or by the protest time limit, whichever is later.
- 3.3 Signals ashore will be displayed on the official flagpole located at the YCCS Clubhouse.

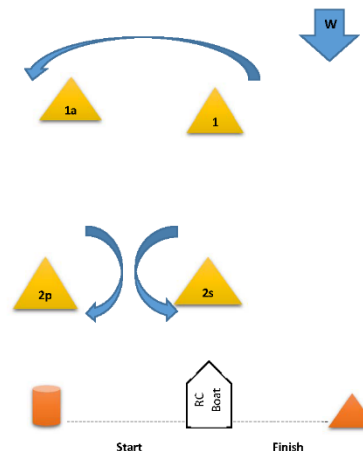
- 3.4 When flag AP (Answering Pennant) is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 3.5 Flag AP over H displayed ashore means: "THE START IS POSTPONED, BOATS SHALL NOT LEAVE THE HARBOUR".

## Article 4 - Schedule of races

- 4.1 The Warning Signal for the first race each day will be given at the following times:  
Friday: 12.00 am  
Saturday: 12.00 am  
Sunday: 12:00 am
- 4.2 Up to 9 races may be held. A maximum of 3 races may be held on any racing day.
- 4.3 The Race Committee will broadcast safety and racing information on **VHF channel 72**.

## Article 5 - Courses and marks

- 5.1 The course is located in front of Porto Cervo Harbour. The Windward marks shall be left to port.
- 5.2 If the gate (Mark 2P and Mark 2S) is not present, a single Mark 2 shall be rounded to port.
- 5.3 Course marks will be inflatable yellow buoys.
- 5.4 RC signal boat may display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg on the committee vessel before the preparatory signal. This alters RRS 27.1
- 5.5 Start-1-1a-gate (2P/2S)-1-1a-Finish.



## Article 6 - The starting line and procedure

- 6.1 The starting line will be between the mast displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end orange inflatable buoy.
- 6.2 A pin end boat, identified by an orange flag, may be situated at the extension of the port-end starting mark. This boat ranks as an obstruction. Boats must not pass between this boat and the starting mark. The penalty will be at discretion of the J.
- 6.3 J70 class flag will be used as warning signal.
- 6.4 RC may communicate by radio VHF individual and general recalls. The call will be done at the first reasonable opportunity after the start. Bow numbers, sail numbers or boat names may be used for identification. Delay in the radio communication of these calls, the order in which they are made, omission or failure in the emission or reception shall not be grounds for requesting redress. (This modifies rule 62.1(a)). This rule does not reduce, modify or exonerate each boat's responsibility to start in accordance with the rules.

## Article 7 - Changing course marks after the start

- 7.1 In the case of a course change, the new mark will be an inflatable orange buoy. Subsequent change will revert to the original mark.
- 7.2 Offset mark 1a will not be positioned in case of a change of course for a windward leg.

## Article 8 - The finish

- 8.1 The finishing line will be defined by the course side of an orange inflatable buoy and the mast of the finishing boat displaying a blue flag.
- 8.2 The finish buoy will be placed on the side of the Committee boat opposite that of the starting line.

## Article 9 - Time limit

- 9.1 Any boat finishing more than twenty minutes after the first boat has sailed the course and finished, will receive the same number of points as a boat that Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. (This changes rule 35 and A4)

- 9.2 The time limit for the first boat to complete the course is 90 minutes.

## Article 10 - Protests and requests for redress

- 10.1 World Sailing Addendum Q is modified to the effect that the Protest committee may hear protests after racing if the incident afloat was unseen.
- 10.2 Protest time limit is defined in Q2.3 and Q2.4.
- 10.3 Decisions of the IJ approved by the Italian Sailing Federation will be final as provided in rule 70.5.
- 10.4 Hearings will be held under Q5.3 and if necessary, in the protest room located at the YCCS Clubhouse.
- 10.5 Breaches of instructions 16,17,18, 20 and 23.3 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches and class rules breaches may be less than disqualification if the IJ so decides.

## Article 11 - Arbitration

- 11.1 Before any hearing, the parties of a *protest* shall participate in an arbitration.
- 11.2 A boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an unseen incident by umpires may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
- 11.3 A Post-Race Penalty is a 20% Scoring Penalty (30% for rule breach within the *zone*) calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
- 11.4 An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a *protest* by a boat involving one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31, but only if each *party* is represented by a person who was on board at the time of the incident. No witness will be permitted except umpires acting under Q2.4(d). However, if the arbitrator decides that rule 44.1(b) may apply or that arbitration is not appropriate, the meeting will not be held, and if a meeting is in progress, it will be closed.
- 11.5 Based on the evidence given by the representatives, the arbitrator will offer an opinion as to what the IJ is likely to decide:
- the *protest* is invalid,
  - no boat will be penalized for breaking a rule, or
  - one or more boats will be penalized for breaking a rule, identifying the boats and the penalties.
- 11.6 After the arbitrator offers an opinion,
- a boat may take a Post-Race Penalty, and
  - a boat may ask to withdraw her *protest*. The arbitrator may then act on behalf of the IJ in accordance with rule 63.1 to allow the withdrawal.
- Unless all *protests* involving the incident are withdrawn, a protest hearing will be held.

## Article 12 - Scoring

- 12.1 One (1) race is needed for the regatta to be scored as a single event and to be scored in the Alcatel J/70 Cup.
- 12.2 Results of the Alcatel J/70 Cup Porto Cervo:
- When five (5) races have been completed, the worst score will be discarded.
  - Boats attending a single event and scored DNS, DNC, DNF, RET will be scored one point (1) more than the number of boats that completed that single event registration. (This changes rule A9.)
- 12.3 Results of the Alcatel J/70 Cup:
- Boats not attending a single event will be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats entered the series at that date.
  - The Alcatel Italian Championship J70 score will be calculated by adding all the scores completed in the series (including the scores discarded within single event results). The worst scores will be discarded as follows: 1st discard when 5 races have been completed; 2nd discard when 10 races have been completed; 3rd discard when 15 races have been completed; 4th discard when 20 races have been completed; 5th discard when 25 races have been completed, 6th discard when 30 races have been completed; 7th discard when 35 races have been completed.

## Article 13 – Retirements

In the best interests of safety, all competitors who retire shall inform, by any possible means, either the RC boat or the Race Office as soon as they return ashore. The IJ may take disciplinary action if this is not respected.

## Article 14 - Replacement of crew during the regatta

Any crew change must be requested in writing before the race and must be authorized by the RC.

## Article 15 - Replacement of damaged equipment

These replacements must be limited to damage judged irreparable. This decision will be the responsibility of the RC.

## Article 16 – Measurement and inspections

The Race Committee may undertake random inspections and measurement checks on any competing boat throughout the regatta period. In the event of a protest, access for inspections may be requested at any time. Boats may be checked soon after each race. Boats may be boarded on their way to and from the race area when conditions allow.

## Article 17 - Trash disposal

Trash shall remain onboard until the end of the last race of the day but

to throw the trash in the water will be considered a breach even between races. A penalty for breaking rule 55 is at IJ discretion.

## Article 18 - Haul out

No boats are to be lifted out of the water during the regatta except with the written authorisation of the race committee.

## Article 19 - Mooring

Will be included on the entry fee from 30<sup>th</sup> May to 6<sup>th</sup> June. Boats are moored under the responsibility of each skipper.

## Article 20 - Organisation boats

Official boats will be identified as follows:  
Race Committee: "YCCS Burgee"  
Service Boat: white flag with "S"  
Jury Boat with flag with "JURY"  
Press Boat: white flag with "P"  
Safety boat: white flag with a red "S"  
Coach boat: flag with "COACH"

## Article 21 - Safety

All competitors have to wear a personal floatation device. Penalty for non-compliance will be at the discretion of the international jury.

## Article 22 - Prize giving

Prize giving will take place at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda 60 minutes after the last boat has crossed the finish line. Prizes will be awarded to attending competitors only.

## Article 23 - Disclaimer of liability

OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## Article 24 - Media, images and sound

- 24.1 The OA may require media personnel, equipment and electronic devices to be carried on board at any time.
- 24.2 The position of these personnel and equipment will be determined by the RC and may be advised verbally.
- 24.3 The organization Authorities shall have the right to use any image, sound recorded and navigation data.
- 24.4 Each boat shall keep the mobile phone provided by Alcatel with the tracking App on (RaceQs) during all races. Boats not complying with this instructions may be penalized at discretion of IJ.

Abbreviations: OA – Organising Authority, RC – Race Committee, IJ – International Jury - Peter Reggio Principal Race Officer

This addendum has been approved by the Italian Sailing Federation in accordance with rule 86.3

These sailing instructions change the definition Proper Course, and rules 20, 28.2, 44, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64.1, 65, 66, 70, 78.3.

### Q1 CHANGES TO RACING RULES

*Additional changes to rules are made in instructions Q2, Q3, Q4, and Q5.*

#### Q1.1 Changes to the Definitions and the Rules of Part 2 and Part 4

- (a) Add to the definition Proper Course: 'A boat taking a penalty or maneuvering to take a penalty is not sailing a *proper course*.'
- (b) When rule 20 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
  - (1) for 'Room to tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
  - (2) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

#### Q1.2 Changes to Rules Involving Protests, Requests for Redress, Penalties and Exoneration

- (a) The first sentence of rule 44.1 is replaced with: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14

when she has caused damage or injury) or rule 31 or 42 while *racing*.'

- (b) Rule 60.1 is replaced with 'A boat may protest another boat or request redress provided she complies with instructions Q2.1 and Q2.4.'
- (c) The third sentence of rule 61.1(a) and all of rule 61.1(a)(2) are deleted.
- (d) Rule 64.1(a) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting instruction of this addendum.
- (e) Rules P1 to P4 shall not apply.

### Q2 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS BY BOATS

**Q2.1** While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14) or under rule 31 or 42; however, a boat may only protest under a rule of Part 2 for an incident in which she was involved. To do so she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall remove the flag before, or at the first reasonable opportunity after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty voluntarily or after an umpire's decision, or after the incident.

**Q2.2** A boat that protests as provided in instruction Q2.1 is only entitled to a hearing if the umpires acknowledge her protest by displaying a "blue" flag, or there is no signal from the umpires and no penalty is taken by the protested boat. A boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by

taking a One-Turn as described in rule 44.2. If the protested boat does not take a penalty voluntarily, an umpire will decide whether to penalize any boat and signal the decision as provided in instruction Q3.1.

**Q2.3** At the end of the race, the race committee will display flag B with one sound. Two minutes later flag B will be removed with one sound.

- Q2.4** A boat intending to
- (a) protest another boat under a rule other than instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a), or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1,
  - (b) protest another boat under rule 14 if there was contact that caused damage or injury,
  - (c) request redress,
  - (d) protest a boat after the umpires have answered her protest with a "Blue" flag, or
  - (e) protest a boat after there is no signal from the umpires and no penalty is taken by the protested boat

shall hail or contact by VHF the race committee before or during the display of flag B. The same time limit applies to protests under instruction Q5.4 and Q5.5. The protest committee may extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so.

**Q2.5** The race committee will promptly inform the protest committee about any protests or requests for redress made under instruction Q2.4.

### Q3 UMPIRE SIGNALS AND IMPOSED PENALTIES

**Q3.1** An umpire will signal a decision as follows:

- (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
- (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'A penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
- (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'A boat is disqualified.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify the boat disqualified.
- (d) A blue flag with one long sound signal means 'The umpires do not have the facts required to make a decision'.

- Q3.2**
- (a) A boat penalized under instruction Q3.1(b) shall take a One-Turn Penalty as described in rule 44.2.
  - (b) A boat disqualified under instruction Q3.1(c) shall promptly leave the course area.

### Q4 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS INITIATED BY AN UMPIRE; ROUNDING OR PASSING MARKS

**Q4.1** When a boat

- (a) breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty,
- (b) breaks rule 42,
- (c) gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- (d) deliberately breaks a rule,
- (e) commits a breach of sportsmanship,

- (f) fails to comply with instruction Q3.2 or to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire.
- (g) breaks Class Rule C9.3 (Retracting Bowsprit), or
- (h) breaks rule 49.2 or class rule C3.3 (crew positioning).

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire may impose one or more One-Turn Penalties to be taken as described in rule 44.2, each signaled in accordance with instruction Q3.1(b), or disqualify her under instruction Q3.1(c), or report the incident to the protest committee for further action. If a boat is penalized under instruction Q4.1(f) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.

- Q4.2**
- (a) A boat shall not round or pass a mark on the wrong side. If she does so, she may correct her error as provided in rule 28.2 only if she does so before she rounds or passes the next mark or finishes.
  - (b) When a boat breaks instruction Q4.2(a) and fails to correct her error before rounding or passing the next mark or finishing, an umpire may disqualify her under instruction Q3.1(c).

**Q4.3** An umpire who decides, based on his own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a) or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3. However, he will not inform the protest committee of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

### Q5 PROTESTS; REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS

**Q5.1** No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire.

**Q5.2** A boat may not base an appeal on an alleged improper action, omission or decision of the umpires or the protest committee. In rule 66 the third sentence is changed to 'A party to the hearing may not ask for a reopening.'

- Q5.3**
- (a) Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
  - (b) The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
  - (c) If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty of points or fraction of points or make another arrangement it decides is equitable, which may be to impose no penalty.

**Q5.4** The race committee will not protest a boat, except under rule 28 or following a report under rule 43.1(c) or 78.3.

**Q5.5** The protest committee may protest a boat under rule 60.3. However, it will not protest a boat for breaking instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a), a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, or rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.