



YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA



SWAN 45 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 2016


NOTICE OF RACE  
PORTO CERVO, 11<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER





The Swan 45 World Championship 2016 is organized by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS), in collaboration with the Nautor's Swan.

## 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY & VENUE

 Yacht Club Costa Smeralda

07021 Porto Cervo (OT) - Sardinia - Italy

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## 2. RULES

2.1 International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013/2016.

2.2 The 2016 Swan 45 World Championship will take place within the Rolex Swan Cup. The 2016 Swan 45 Class Rules shall apply to Class D, Swan 45 (see paragraph 5).

2.3 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4. No white flares are required, amending Special Regulation 4.23, jackstays are not required, amending Special Regulation 4.04.

2.4 RRS 55 is in force.

2.5 The Sailing Instructions including all the appendices.

2.6 No National Authority prescriptions will apply except for Italian only: FIV PRESCRIPTION PART 6, ENTRY AND QUALIFICATION Rule 75, ENTERING A RACE Prescription to Rule 75.2.

2.7 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.

2.8 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2.9 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.

## 3. ADVERTISING & IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS

3.1 In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 Advertising Code for the Swan 45 Class, advertising is permitted in accordance with the Swan 45 Class Rules. Boats shall display Event Advertising in compliance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code, and as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

3.2 Boats will be required to display the Sponsor's pennant on the backstay 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.

3.3 In addition boats will be required to display the event battle flag throughout the same period but only while moored.

3.4 The Organizing Authority will supply the pennant and flag at registration.

3.5 Racing yachts shall display an identification number clearly on both lifelines. This amends RRS 77. The identification numbers shall be collected at registration.

3.6 The Organizing Authority 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.

3.7 Boats intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state in the entry form the nature of such advertising.

3.8 Boats are responsible for informing advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand will be permitted ashore within the Porto Cervo Marina Area without the consent in writing of the Organizing Authority obtained before the start of the Regatta.

3.9 Absence of identification numbers (paragraph 3.5), Class flags and/or decals may be matter for action by the International Jury on report by the Race Committee or Organizing Authority only. This amends RRS 60.1.

## 4. MEASUREMENT, CONTROL AND RATING COMMITTEE (MRC)

4.1 A Measurement and Rating Committee will be appointed. The MRC will conduct measurement and other checks and will advise the Race Committee of any breach.

Depending on the breach, the Race Committee may protest the boat concerned.

The MRC will consist of one representative from:

- a) The ORC Rating Office;
- b) Nautor's Swan;
- c) The Yacht Club Costa Smeralda.

The MRC may, at its discretion, co-opt additional technical advisers.



4.2 Measurement checks on boats entered for racing will take place in Porto Cervo Marina on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> between 13.00 and 19.00 and Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September between 09.00 hrs and 16.00 hrs. Sails may need to be transported ashore to the space provided for check measurement.

4.3 Competing boats will be checked at random during the event. In this respect, boats may be boarded at any time by the MRC.

4.4 Infringements of the Swan 45 Class Rules may lead to the boat receiving place penalties or disqualification. However, before such action is taken, the MRC shall make a report to the International Jury who shall then proceed accordingly (RRS 78.3).

4.5 The Swan 45 teams will be weighed on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

## 5. ELIGIBILITY & CREW

5.1 The regatta is open to all the Swan 45 OD.

5.2 The ISAF Eligibility Code, ISAF Regulation 19 shall apply. Crew lists and ISAF Sailor IDs for all crew, as well as declarations of alternate, substitute and relief helmsmen shall be submitted to the Swan 45 Class Manager no later than 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016 by email to: [Swan45Class@nautorswan.com](mailto:Swan45Class@nautorswan.com) .

5.3 Crew Lists will be displayed on the official notice board as soon as possible at the close of Registration.

5.4 The Classification Protest Time Limit will be at the close of the scheduled official protest time on the first day of racing.

5.5 A Representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission will be present during and after Registration to conduct spot checks of crew's classifications. Boat owners, skippers or crew must check the Official Notice Board for names of crew required to attend an interview and for further details. The ISAF Classification Representative may change the status of any sailor after the appropriate interview with immediate effect.

## 6. ENTRIES

6.1 Entries shall be received by the Organizing Authority not later than 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 and shall be made on the enclosed Entry Form (Annex 1) which shall be completed and returned, by email or fax, to:

### YCCS Race Office

Tel: +39 0789 902200| Fax: +39 0789 91213| Email: [secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it)

6.2 Entry Fee (mooring fees are included in the entry fee) for the Swan 45 is 1.200,00 Euro.

6.3 The non refundable entry fee shall accompany the entry form. The entry fee may be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer as stated on detail in the entry form. If payment is made by bank transfer, a copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form.

6.4 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to accept entries after 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016, on payment of an additional fee (€ 500,00). No moorings can be assured for late entries.

## 7. MOORINGS

7.1 Moorings are included in the entry fee. The entry fee includes moorings from 12.00 hrs on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September to 12.00 hrs on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September, provided that the completed entry form and fee are received by the YCCS before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

7.2 The cost of electricity, water charges, tenders as well as mooring fees for late entries or additional periods are not included in the entry fee and must be paid directly to the Marina Office.

The mooring place for any additional period (before and/or after the event) may be at Porto Cervo Marina or East Dock (Porto Vecchio) and different from the mooring place assigned by the Marina in conjunction with the Organizing Authority during the event. Assignment of moorings will be based on availability of moorings and characteristics of boats.

7.3 To reserve moorings before and after the dates indicated in NoR 7.1 and for tenders please send your mooring requirement to [secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it). The YCCS Race Office will take care to inform the Marina Harbour Master accordingly.

For further information about the marina services and the price list please visit the Marina Porto Cervo web site: [www.marinadiportocervo.it](http://www.marinadiportocervo.it) .

7.4 Local regulations require that all boats MUST inform the Harbourmaster's Office by radio on VHF Channel 9 when they first arrive in Porto Cervo and each time they leave or enter the Harbour. Sailing is FORBIDDEN inside the harbor.



When moored, it is MANDATORY for all Participants to visit the Harbourmaster's Office to finalize their registration procedures.

## 8. REGISTRATION

8.1 The Regatta is open to all Swan 45 Class yachts as defined by the Swan 45 Class Rules. The registration shall be completed with the Organizing Authority by 16.00 hrs on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September and the official forms will be provided by the Organizing Authority and published on the YCCS web site.

All Swan 45s entering the World Championship shall have submitted:

- a. A copy of the 2016 Swan 45 Class OD Certificate;
  - b. Evidence that Owner or Charterer Class Association fees have been paid;
  - c. If required, provide the Owner's or Charterer's evidence of membership of his or her National Authority or of an organisation affiliated to it;
  - d. Sail declaration form signed by the Class Manager;
  - e. Their completed Swan 45 Class crew declaration form to the Class Manager by 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016;
  - f. Completed pre-racing Crew Weighing.
  - g. Acceptance of the Notice, Disclaimer of liability of Race, Photography and TV rights consent and Insurance third party liability as set out in the Entry Form;
  - h. Media Releases Consent form signed by all crew members;
  - i. Support boat declaration, if applicable, as stated in the entry form.
- Boats not complying with the requirements of NoR 8 are not eligible for the event except with the permission of the International Jury.

8.2 Crew Lists shall be submitted at final registration and shall include ISAF Sailor ID's for all crew and for Italian only the FIV card code.

## 9. REGATTA SCHEDULE

9.1 The Schedule of races will be as follows:

Sunday, 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Registration	13.00-18.00
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Inspection, Registration & Measurements Skippers Briefing	09.00-16.00 18.00
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Race (s)	First Signal 11.30
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Race (s)	First Signal 11.30
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Islands Long Race	First Signal 11.30
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Lay Day or Resail Day	
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Race (s)	First Signal 11.30
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Race (s) Final Prize Giving	First Signal 11.30 17.30

9.2 The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the programme because of weather conditions or for any other reason.

## 10. SCORING

10.1 Twelve races are scheduled and one discard will be allowed in calculating overall results if eight or more races are completed. Five races shall constitute a series. The Island Race may not be a discard.

10.2 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A (Paragraph A 4.1) shall apply.

10.3 For daily prizes, when two or more races are sailed on one day, the overall result of the day will be determined by calculating the sum of the scores for each boat.

## 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty by taking a One Turn penalty including one tack and one gybe. If a boat breaks a Rule of Part 2 within the two-lengths zone of any rounding or passing mark, her penalty shall be a Two Turn penalty.



## 12. PROTESTS & INTERNATIONAL JURY

12.1 Protests will be heard by an International Jury whose ruling shall be final.

12.2 A system of arbitration will be available and details will be contained in the Sailing Instructions.

12.3 Members of the International Jury will be stationed at marks from time to time and may give an indication to boats that they consider that there has been a breach of the rules.

## 13. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available upon final registration and published on the YCCS website ([www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com)).

## 14. RACING AREA & COURSES

14.1 The racing area will be in North Eastern Sardinian waters. The following charts are recommended: nos. **42 – 43 - 323 – 324 – 325 – 910**, Italian charts of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina. Charts can be ordered directly at:

**Istituto Idrografico della Marina**, Passo dell'Osservatorio 4, 16134 Genoa, Italy  
Tel: +39 010 2463528 Fax: +39 010 261400.

14.2 The courses to be sailed will be Windward/ Leeward and Coastal courses laid along the coast and among the islands in the vicinity of Porto Cervo.

## 15. ELECTRONIC AIDS

15.1 All types of electronic aids, including radar, VOR, satellite, etc., are permitted. No external aids, outside assistance or information may be used during the races, except publically available weather forecast information.

15.2 Yachts shall be equipped with VHF with channel 9, 16 and 72.

## 16. SECURITY

16.1 A Regatta wristband will be necessary to use the facilities within the regatta village and also for access to all the regatta social events. This wristband is not transferable and will be provided by the Organizing Authority upon registration.

16.2 Each Swan 45 will be allocated a number of wristbands as part of the entry fee based on the crew list for the boat.

## 17. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority reserves the right to amend this Notice of Race. Any amendments prior to 11<sup>th</sup> September 2016 will be emailed to owners whose entries have been accepted. Amendments to this Notice of Race after September 11<sup>th</sup> 2016 will be posted on the Official Notice Board, on the official website and copies will be available from the Regatta Office.

## 18. DISCLAIMER

18.1 Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013/2016, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race.

Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their yacht, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages 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, relieving of any responsibility the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the behaviour and dress of the yacht's crew, representatives and guests.

Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

In any case Competitors agree that the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Nautor Holding, the sponsors and their agents in particular Rolex SA have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss, or damage to any vessel or property.

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



## 19. MEDIA RELEASES

Competitors grant Rolex SA, the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Nautor Holding and the Organizing Authority the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the yacht they are sailing during the event, to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements, social media or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' name and biographical material may also be used or reproduced in any way known.

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

## 20. 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.

## 21. TROPHIES AND AWARDS

- The Swan 45 Gold Cup and Rolex Timepiece will be awarded to the first overall classified boat. Trophies will also be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> classified Swan 45s;
- A Corinthian award will be presented to the top placed Swan 45 yacht that meets the Corinthian requirements;
- Daily Prizes will be awarded for the first classified boat of each race for each day. Where two or more races are sailed in one day the combined result will count for the daily prizes.

## 22. SOCIAL EVENTS

A varied and interesting social programme is planned for the Regatta including crew parties, cocktail receptions and an Owners' Dinner. Full details will be listed on the regatta website ([www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com) & [www.nautorswan.com](http://www.nautorswan.com)) as the event details are finalised. The final schedule will be available at time of registration.

## 23. PRESS OFFICE

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

### **YCCS Press Office**

Tel: +39 0789 902200| Fax: 39 0789 91213| Email: [pressoffice@yccs.it](mailto:pressoffice@yccs.it)

## 24. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please check the event websites [www.yccs.com](http://www.yccs.com) or contact:

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and/or

### **Anita Van Oeveren**

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## About the Swan Cup

Created in 1980, this biennial regatta attracts a spectacular fleet of yachts from around the world and celebrates the enduring collaboration between Rolex, Nautor's Swan and Yacht Club Costa Smeralda. The 2016 edition marks a special milestone as Nautor celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. In recent years the fleet has regularly topped 100 yachts ranging from 36 to 112 feet (11 to 35 metres) in length and spanning the entire spectrum of the Nautor's Swan family, from early designs by Sparkman and Stephens to hi-tech one-Design craft of German Frers. The 2016 edition will once again play host to the Swan 45 World Championship while the remainder of the fleet will be divided into categories according to the size and age of the participating yachts. Drawing some of the most beautiful Nautor's Swan yachts – including many new models - and many of the world's top sailors , the Rolex Swan Cup provides a week of the spirited racing and gala Social events for which Nautor's Swan, Rolex and YCCS are renowned.

### PALMARES

**2008** - EARLYBIRD (GER)

**2010** - EARLYBIRD (GER)

**2012** - EARLYBIRD (GER)

**2014** - EARLYBIRD (GER)



