



Porto Cervo, 3 – 9 September 2023

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation in a rule of the Sailing Instructions:

‘[DP]’ in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the international jury, be less than disqualification.

‘[NP]’ in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule and for which the international jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 63.1.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Racing Rules may be changed as follows:
  - 1.2.1 In case of class starts (J Class, etc.) class rules may change RRS, ORCs<sub>y</sub> and IRC Rules.
  - 1.2.2 Exceptions to RRS 77 (Identification of Sails) may be granted by the organizer upon written request prior to the close of registration.
- 1.3 [NP] [DP] The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) Category 4. OSR Category 4 compliance will be evaluated by the Technical Committee. OSR Category 4 for J Class may be changed as in SI 1.4.
- 1.4 J Class Association Class Rule for J Class yachts. The J Class will use Appendix UF Umpired Fleet Racing, J CLASS 2023 Umpired Edition, except when a J Class yacht meets a boat from another class (see SI 16.3). Under section 3.14 J Class rule, J Class yachts may race without pulpit, lifelines and stanchions, providing they have a support boat in the immediate vicinity to assist with a person overboard. The support boat shall display a J Class flag and adhere to SI 22.2 as reasonably practicable.
- 1.5 The IMA Class Rules:
  - [DP] (a) IMA Rule C.2.1.(a).2 (OWNER DRIVER) applies to Maxi and Maxi Multihull;
  - [DP] (b) IMA Rules C2.2 to C2.5 (OWNER DRIVER) apply to helmsmen in Maxi and Maxi Multihull.
  - [DP] For Owner Drivers from the age of 75 the conditions of IMA Rule C.2.2 are relaxed as follows:
    - (a) W/L races: Owner Driver or Charterer Helm only from the preparatory signal. Per hour a 10 minute break is permitted. The Owner Driver or Charterer Helm shall drive the first and final mile of the race. The break(s) shall take place between marks rounding and avoid clearly imminent maneuvers (tack/gybe).
    - (b) Coastal Races (any non W/L race up to 60 miles): Owner Driver or Charterer Helm only from the preparatory signal. The first hour a 10 minute break is permitted, thereafter a Relief Helm may helm up to a total of 30 minutes per hour and after four hours up to a total of 45 minutes per hour. The Owner Driver or Charterer Helm shall drive the final two miles of the race.
  - [NP][DP] (c) IMA Rule C.2.6 (GUESTS) applies to all sub-classes. Guest requests shall be filed before the close of registration. The IMA retains the right to refuse guests and its decision is final. Please note that NoR 1.7 and NoR 6(c) also apply to Italian guests, and that NoR 6(d) also applies to foreign guests. NoR 4.5 and NoR 6(e) apply to all minors, including guest minors.
- 1.6 The Rating Rules:
  - 1.6.1 The 2023 ORCs<sub>y</sub> Rule for Supermaxi.
  - 1.6.2 The 2023 IRC Rule, Parts A, B and C, for Maxi.
    - (a) For the purposes of IRC rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) this regatta is on consecutive days, yet the sails carried on board need not remain the same for the duration of the event, but sails need to remain the same for each day;
    - (b) IRC Rule 22.4.2, if applicable, is deleted and replaced with: “The maximum number of crew on board shall be the Crew Number printed on her certificate. There is no weight limit” (note that in consideration of IRC REDUCED CREW (see NoR 4.1.2b) the crew number printed on the IMA certificate shall apply);
  - 1.6.3 The 2023 ORCs<sub>mh</sub> Rule for Maxi Multihull.
  - 1.6.4 If allowed by class rules, steering, ram and winch systems powered by force other than manual, as well as moveable appendages, trim tabs, water ballast and canting keels are permitted if each feature is declared on the IRC or ORCs<sub>y</sub> certificate (changes RRS 51 and 52).
- 1.7 [NP] No national authority prescription will apply except that Italians crews shall be FIV members and have a valid medical certificate and Italian boats shall have valid FIV authorization to display advertising (if applicable).
- 1.8 The official language is English. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.9 The registration nationality of a boat is indicated by the owner of the boat as set out in the entry form (“Racing for” section). If not indicated, the sail national letters or the owner's nationality will be used.
- 1.10 In the event of a discrepancy between the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence (changes RRS 63.7).
- 1.11 **As part of its environmental initiative, the organizing authority will not issue paper copies.**

## 2. VENUE

The race office will be located in the Piazza Azzurra. The Official Notice Board (ONB) is online and posted at the following link: [ONB](#).

The following QR code is a direct link to the Event Web Page:



## 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the [ONB](#). Notices may also be sent via WhatsApp when practicable. Failure to send or receive a notice via WhatsApp will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b). Morning announcements to all competitors will be made on VHF 71 at 10.00 hours, (see SI 5.3).

## 4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the [ONB](#) and sent via WhatsApp when practicable to all competitors before 10.00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 20.00 on the day before it will take effect.
- 4.2 In accordance with RRS 90.2(c), changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water by hail on the race committee channel. The race committee will display flag L with one sound before making the announcement.

## 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the YCCS terrace overlooking the regatta village. The display or removal of signals will be broadcast on the race committee channel.
- 5.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals, AP.
- 5.3 The race committee will broadcast its intent for the day's racing at 10.00 daily on the race committee channel.

## 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The organizing authority and race committee reserve the right to change the schedule at its discretion, taking into account weather conditions and all other factors:

Saturday	2 Sep:	Inspections early option from 09.00, by appointment, <b>if required</b> by the IMA ATO
Sunday	3 Sep:	Inspections from 09.00 to 17.00 by appointment, <b>if required</b> by the IMA ATO
		Registration 10.00 – 16.00 (only one representative per boat)
		18.00 Skipper's Briefing at YCCS - Terrazza Azzurra – Upper Terrace
Monday	4 Sep:	12.00 Race(s)
Tuesday	5 Sep:	12.00 Race(s)
Wednesday	6 Sep:	12.00 Race(s)
Thursday	7 Sep:	Lay Day or Re-Sail (The IMA Annual General Meeting will be held at the YCCS on the Lay Day at 10.00 or at 18.00 if there is a Re-Sail)
Friday	8 Sep:	12.00 Race(s)
Saturday	9 Sep:	12.00 Race(s)
		17.30 Prize giving

- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 12.00. The race format (Coastal or W/L) and the class starting sequence will be posted by 20.00 on the evening prior to the day it will take effect.
- 6.3 For Supermaxi and Maxi MH classes, and Maxi 3, 4 and 5 sub-classes, the maximum number of races is 5 and all races will be coastal courses.
- 6.4 For Maxi 0 and 1 sub-classes the maximum number of races is 6 with a combination of 4 coastal races (1 per day) and one day with 2 W/L races.
- 6.5 For J Class and Maxi 2 sub-class, the maximum number of races is 7 with a combination of 3 coastal races (1 per day) and two days with 2 W/L races each day.
- 6.6 On Saturday, 9 September, the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 15.00.

## 7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flags will be as follows:

Supermaxi	(Class)	Code Flag <b>F</b>
J-Class	(Class)	J Class Flag
Maxi 0 & 1	(Sub-Classes)	Code Flag <b>W</b>
Maxi 2	(Sub-Class)	Code Flag <b>R</b>
Maxi 3 & 4 & 5	(Sub-Classes)	Code Flag <b>E</b>
Maxi MH	(Class)	Code Flag <b>H</b>

7.2 **[DP]** **[NP]** Class flags shall be displayed in the aft part of the boat, on the backstay, at all times while racing. If such display is not feasible, class flags shall be displayed from the pushpit(s).

## 8 STARTING AREAS

There will be two separate starting areas, one for each division. Division 1 is for coastal course racing. Division 2 is for W/L courses. The starting areas for the two divisions will be located within approximately four nautical miles of the entrance to Porto Cervo harbor.

## 9 THE COURSES

9.1 Coastal courses are presented in [Appendix BRAVO](#) (edition 2023). The Appendix booklet is in the captains' pack and also published on the YCCS website ([Appendix BRAVO](#)).

9.2 W/L courses are described in Appendix ALFA and SI sections 11, 12, 13 and 14.

9.3 The course will be signaled from the race committee boat by displaying the course number on the course board before or at the warning signal for each class or sub-class and broadcast on the race committee channel.

9.4 A shorter or a greater length of the course will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

## 10 MARKS AND PROHIBITED AREAS

10.1 Marks for coastal courses are described in [Appendix BRAVO](#) (edition 2023), section 6 (Marks for the various courses). Marks will be yellow with green sponsor logos except for the starting mark, if utilised, which will be white with green sponsor logos. Marks will be robotic or inflatable buoys.

10.2 Marks for W/L courses will be yellow with green sponsor logos except for starting/finishing and change of course marks, which will be white with green sponsor logos. Marks will be robotic or inflatable buoys.

10.3 **[NP]** Prohibited areas are described in [Appendix BRAVO](#) (edition 2023), section 5 (Prohibited Passages).

## 11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

11.2 The starting lines will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end of the line and a staff displaying an orange flag on a service boat at the port end. The service boat at the port end may be replaced by a white mark with green sponsor logos in which case the line will be taken from the course side of the mark. Race committee boats and service boats may hold their position with the use of their engines. This will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

11.3 **[DP]** Boats whose warning signal has not been displayed shall avoid the starting areas.

11.4 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4, A5.

11.5 The starting sequence may change daily.

11.6 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of its starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

## 12 SHORTENED COURSES

12.1 For coastal races see [Appendix BRAVO](#) (edition 2023), Section 8 (Shortening Courses).

12.2 W/L races may be shortened at any mark, providing that the shortened race has a minimum of 3 legs, excluding the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a.

## 13 CHANGES OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 For coastal races see [Appendix BRAVO](#) (edition 2023), Section 7 (Change of the Course After the Start).

13.2 For W/L races, a course and/or length change for any leg of the race will be signaled by a race committee boat in the vicinity of the last rounding mark. The change will be signaled before the leading boat in a class or sub-class has begun the changed leg although the new mark(s) may not yet be in position. The race committee will broadcast any course and/or length change over the race committee channel. This changes RRS 33. Failure to broadcast the change will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of course (code flag "C", board with the new bearing and repetitive sounds) and/or the change of the length of the next leg (code flag "C", board showing the new distance for the leg and repetitive sounds) and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard.

13.3 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will;

(a) lay new mark(s) or in case of robotic mark(s), either move the original mark(s) or replace the original mark(s) with change of course marks.

(b) move the finishing line, or

(c) move the leeward gate.

When new marks are laid, the original marks will be removed as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change

new marks are replaced, they will be replaced by marks of the original color.

## 14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 For coastal races see [Appendix BRAVO](#) (edition 2023), Section 3 (Finishing Line).
- 14.2 For W/L finishes, the finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat at one end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a service boat, or the course side of a white mark with green sponsor logos, at the other end.
- 14.3 A boat shall not cross any finishing line on any leg of the course except her finishing line on her last leg. All other finishing lines and her finishing line other than on the last leg, rank as obstructions. For all classes racing coastal courses, the W/L starting line, finishing line and gate will also rank as obstructions.

## 15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The time limit for coastal courses is 19.30. Boats failing to finish within 120 minutes after the first boat of her class or sub-class sails the course and finishes, will be scored 1 more point than the last boat finishing within the time limit. The scoring abbreviation for this will be "TLE" (Time Limit Expired). This changes RRS 35, A4, A5 and A10.
- 15.2 The time limit for W/L races is 2 hours and 30 minutes. If no boat has passed the first mark within 1 hour, the race will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF. The scoring abbreviation for this will be "TLE" (Time Limit Expired). This changes RRS 35, A4, A5, and A10.

## 16 PENALTY SYSTEM [NP]

- 16.1 For Supermaxi, Maxi 3, 4, 5 and Maxi MH, the Scoring Penalty, as provided in RRS 44.3, applies and replaces the One-Turn and the Two-Turns Penalty.
- 16.2 For Maxi sub-classes 0, 1 and 2, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 16.3 J Class in accordance with WS Appendix UF, except when a J class boat meets boats from other classes racing, then for the J class boat RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 16.4 Penalty declarations shall be sent by email to the Jury Secretary ([jurysecretary@yccs.it](mailto:jurysecretary@yccs.it)) after finishing within the protest time limit.
- 16.5 Penalties for breaches of a rule other than a rule of Parts 1 or 2 of the RRS may be less than disqualification if the Jury so decides.

## 17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point System RRS Appendix A shall apply without discards.
- 17.2 Results will be calculated on the basis of "ToT" for IRC, "ToD 5 wind ranges" for ORCs, "Single Number Scoring Option" for ORCmh.
- 17.3 All races (W/L or Coastal) will have a coefficient of 1.0.
- 17.4 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute the series.

## 18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS [NP]

- 18.1 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 18.2 Protest forms are available [HERE](#). Protests and requests for redress, shall be delivered by email within the protest time limit to the following email address: [jurysecretary@yccs.it](mailto:jurysecretary@yccs.it)
- 18.3 RRS 66.2 first sentence is changed to read: "A party to the hearing may ask for a reopening in writing and identify the reason for it no later than 24 hours after being informed of the decision."
- 18.4 Post-Race Penalties
  - (a) Provided that RRS 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.
  - (b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). However, RRS 44.1(b) applies.
  - (c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by sending to the jury ([jurysecretary@yccs.it](mailto:jurysecretary@yccs.it)) a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.
  - (d) Further to Appendix Bravo "3.2, 5.1 and 6.2", Mark Tango, a boat that:
    - 1) Crosses her finishing line on any leg of the course except on her last leg, or
    - 2) Sails in a prohibited passage, or
    - 3) Does not pass between Mark TANGO and Capo Ferro on the leg of the course broadcast by the race committee on the race committee channel, when the TANGO flag is displayed before or at the warning signal, shall be given a scoring penalty (SCP) of 30% without a hearing, calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). However, if despite the penalty the boat gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach she shall retire. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 18.5 Redress Limitations:
  - (a) A boat may only request redress when racing at this event; redress may be granted for this event only and shall not be given for a greater number of races than that boat completes in that particular event. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.
  - (b) Actions by official boats, drones or helicopters shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 18.6 Protest Time limits are as follows:
  - (a) Rating protests shall be in accordance with NoR 9.3.
  - (b) For each class and sub-class start, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in class has finished the last race of the day.
- 18.7 Notices will be posted on the [ONB](#) no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit has expired to inform

competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at the regatta village. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 30 minutes before the end of the protest time limit. All persons involved in the hearing shall remain in the vicinity of the jury room.

18.8 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted on the [ONB](#) to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

## **19 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP]**

19.1 Captains and crews of all boats shall read and follow Appendix ECHO (On-Water Emergency Procedures).

19.2 Crew list changes shall be communicated to the race office by email ([secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it) c/c [technicaloffice@internationalmaxiassociation.com](mailto:technicaloffice@internationalmaxiassociation.com) ) by 09.30 each day of racing. Crew shall remain the same for the day other than in case of emergency if communicated to the race committee as soon as reasonably possible and in writing to the race office within the protest time limit.

19.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or the race office as soon as practicable. A boat not leaving the harbour or not joining the racing shall inform the race committee or the race office before 10.00.

19.4 Boats that cannot reach the harbour on their own or return to shore to their assigned marina slip should report to the race committee or race office as soon as practicable.

19.5 Boats shall not sail inside the harbour.

## **19.6 PERSON OVERBOARD**

19.6.1 A boat's 'man-overboard' (MOB) procedure shall be practiced aboard each boat at least once by the crew racing in the regatta prior to the first race of the series.

19.6.2 A boat (except a J Class yacht, which shall follow J Class Rule C.1.1(d)) that has a MOB incident shall immediately stop sailing the boat to the next mark and either recover the person or coordinate the recovery of the person with another boat or tender. If the person is recovered by another boat, the boat that had the MOB incident shall stand by in the vicinity of the incident. The captain and the operator of the boat that recovered the person may agree to delay the transfer of the person to the boat that had the MOB incident for safety reasons. The transfer then may occur at any time during the race, after the boat finishes or retires, or ashore. If the transfer is delayed, the boat that had the MOB incident may resume sailing the boat to the next mark once the person is safely on board the recovery boat. This changes RRS 41 and RRS 48.2.

19.6.3 A boat (including J Class boats) shall notify the race committee as soon as practicable after racing. The circumstances of the recovery, whether by the boat or another vessel, will be reviewed by the race committee and the jury.

## **20 MEASUREMENT AND CONTROLS**

20.1 [DP] [NP] All boats shall be in the water by 09.00 on 3 September, and shall be available to the technical committee, if required, at their berth until the inspection and controls are completed or at such time as agreed with the IMA ATO.

20.2 [DP] [NP] At any reasonable time throughout the regatta period, race committee or technical committee members may undertake random inspections and measurement checks on any competing boat. This may include measurement, equipment checks and weighing or determination of displacement by other means as approved by the IMA ATO. In the event of a protest, access for inspections may be requested at any time.

20.3 Sail dimensions shall be by direct measurement or sail maker declaration.

20.4 Hull and rig dimensions shall be by direct measurement or from the designer and/or builder, with the approval of the IMA ATO.

## **21 RACE COMMITTEE , JURY AND EVENT BOATS**

21.1 The race committee boat will be identified by a YCCS burgee. The race committee boat will normally be the signal/starting boat.

21.2 Service boats will be identified by a white flag with the letter 'S', technical committee boats with the letter 'M' and jury boats with the letter 'J'. The Safety Boat will be identified by a White flag with red "+".

21.3 Technical committee members may board race boats as described in SI 20.2, and also from service or jury boats.

21.4 Boats used by media, photographers, film crews or VIP's are not under the jurisdiction of the race committee, but may be identified displaying a white flag with the letter 'P' or the event flag.

## **22 COMPETITOR SUPPORT BOATS**

22.1 [DP] Support boats shall register with the organizing authority before the start of the first race and shall display the flag supplied at registration. The J Class will use their Class Flag.

22.2 [DP] Support boats shall not interfere with any boat racing and shall stay clear of areas where boats are starting from the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have started, the race committee signals a postponement, a general recall or an abandonment, or until the boat being supported has retired. Requests or instructions given to support boats by the race committee, technical committee or the jury shall be followed. Please note SI 1.4; consequently, J Class support boats may enter the areas where boats are starting during J Class starts.

## **23 COMPETITOR DRONES**

23.1 [DP] Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup shore base or over the race area during training or racing days without complying with local legislation unless prior written approval by the organizing authority has been obtained.

23.2 The approval granted at sole discretion of the organizing authority may impose similar limitation as applicable to support boats (SI 22.2).

23.3 At any time the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying the drone and images made inside the race area shall be shared with the organizing authority, race committee or jury at reasonable request.

## **24 HAULING OUT, DIVING AND REPAIRS [DP]**

24.1 Independent swimming/diving inside the harbour is forbidden. Only the Harbour Master's divers are authorised to

swim/dive inside the harbour and they can be booked on VHF Channel 9 or by email to:

[e.pileri@marinadiportocervo.com](mailto:e.pileri@marinadiportocervo.com) c/c [info@marinadiportocervo.com](mailto:info@marinadiportocervo.com). Only boats with a hard, non- polishing or non-ablating and non-biocidal urethane primer or topcoat on the underwater areas of the hull, when at their regatta berths and after permission by the Marina Office, may get their bottom cleaned by the Harbour Master's divers.

- 24.2 Repairs and replacement of sails, equipment and hull parts damaged during a regatta shall not cause a boat to be re-measured until after the regatta is completed. Applications to replace or repair sails must be made to the organizing authority sending a request to the race office by email ([secretariat@yccs.it](mailto:secretariat@yccs.it)). No repair shall be carried out or replacement made after registration without the written consent of the technical committee.

## 25 RADIO COMMUNICATION AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

- 25.1 Boats must be equipped with a VHF radio transceiver of at least 25 watts of power. The following VHF channels are mandatory: 08, 16, 71 and 72.
- 25.2 The race committee will use the following VHF channels for communication:
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|-----------------------------|------------|
| Division 1 (Coastal racing) | Channel 71 |
| Division 2 (W/L racing)     | Channel 72 |
- 25.3 The J Class umpires will use VHF 69.
- 25.4 [DP] For the J Class and Supermaxi boats only, RRS 41 is changed such that for safe racing purposes, communication between J Class and Supermaxi boats is allowed and encouraged. VHF channel 08 will be designated the safety channel for this purpose and must be monitored by J Class and Supermaxi boats while racing. Maxi and Maxi MH boats are requested to maintain a radio watch on the safety channel when sailing in close proximity to the J Class and Supermaxi boats and respond in a timely fashion when hailed.
- 25.5 A time check will be broadcast approximately 30 minutes before the first warning signal each day.
- 25.6 Failure by the race committee to broadcast the information referred to in these sailing instructions, errors, omissions or delay in doing so, or failure by a boat to receive or hear such radio transmissions will not be grounds for request of redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (b).
- 25.7 [DP] With the exception of SI 19.3 (retiring), 19.6 (person overboard) and 25.4 (safety channel) and for safety or emergency related reasons, a boat shall neither make radio transmission while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. When racing, competitors shall not use any device to communicate in any way beyond the boat other than to send or receive communication or data available to all boats.
- 25.8 Electronic navigation aids, including radar and GPS, are permitted when racing.
- 25.9 [DP] Boats will be issued a Trac Trac GPS tracking unit. It shall be attached to each boat in accordance with Appendix FOXTROT. The Trac Trac GPS tracking unit shall be returned to the race office after the last race of the event.

### Appendices:

ALFA (Windward/Leeward Courses), [BRAVO](#) (2023 Coastal and Island Courses booklet), CHARLIE (Calendar of Sports & Social Events), DELTA (Flags & Boom Stickers Positioning), ECHO (On Water Emergency Procedures), FOXTROT (Tracking System Instructions), GOLF (Useful event links)

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*It is part of our mission to raise awareness among regatta participants on the urgent environmental issues affecting the oceans.*

*Please be informed that the event is paperless and all the materials used during the after race refreshments and the crew party are plastic free and compostable. Please dispose of them correctly.*

*We are pleased to inform you that the regatta is organised following the principals of the Charta Smeralda, an ethical code established by the One Ocean Foundation - <https://www.1ocean.org>.*



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### Sailing Instructions – Appendix ALFA Windward / Leeward Courses

The magnetic bearing and distance to the windward mark from the starboard end signal boat on the starting line, will be displayed on the signal boat and broadcast by the race committee on the designated VHF channel prior to the warning signal.

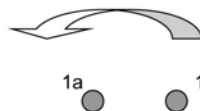
Race committee starting or finishing boats may set a stand-off buoy. When present, this stand-off buoy, the line attaching it to the race committee boat, and the race committee boat are all part of the starting or finishing mark.

All marks shall be rounded to port, except for the leeward gate.

A windward offset mark will be approximately perpendicular to the course axis and approximately 150 meters from the windward mark. If the windward offset mark is missing, boats are to round the windward mark. This changes RRS 34.

A leeward gate (2 marks) will be used. The gate will be located approximately 200 meters to windward of the starting line. If one of the leeward gate marks is missing, boats shall round the one existing leeward mark to port. This changes RRS 34.

The finishing line will be in the same general location as the starting line unless there is a change to the course. The line may be shorter with the pin end moved closer to the race committee signal boat. The colors of the marks are indicated in SI 10.2.



**Course: Start - 1-1a - Gate - 1-1a - Downwind Finish**

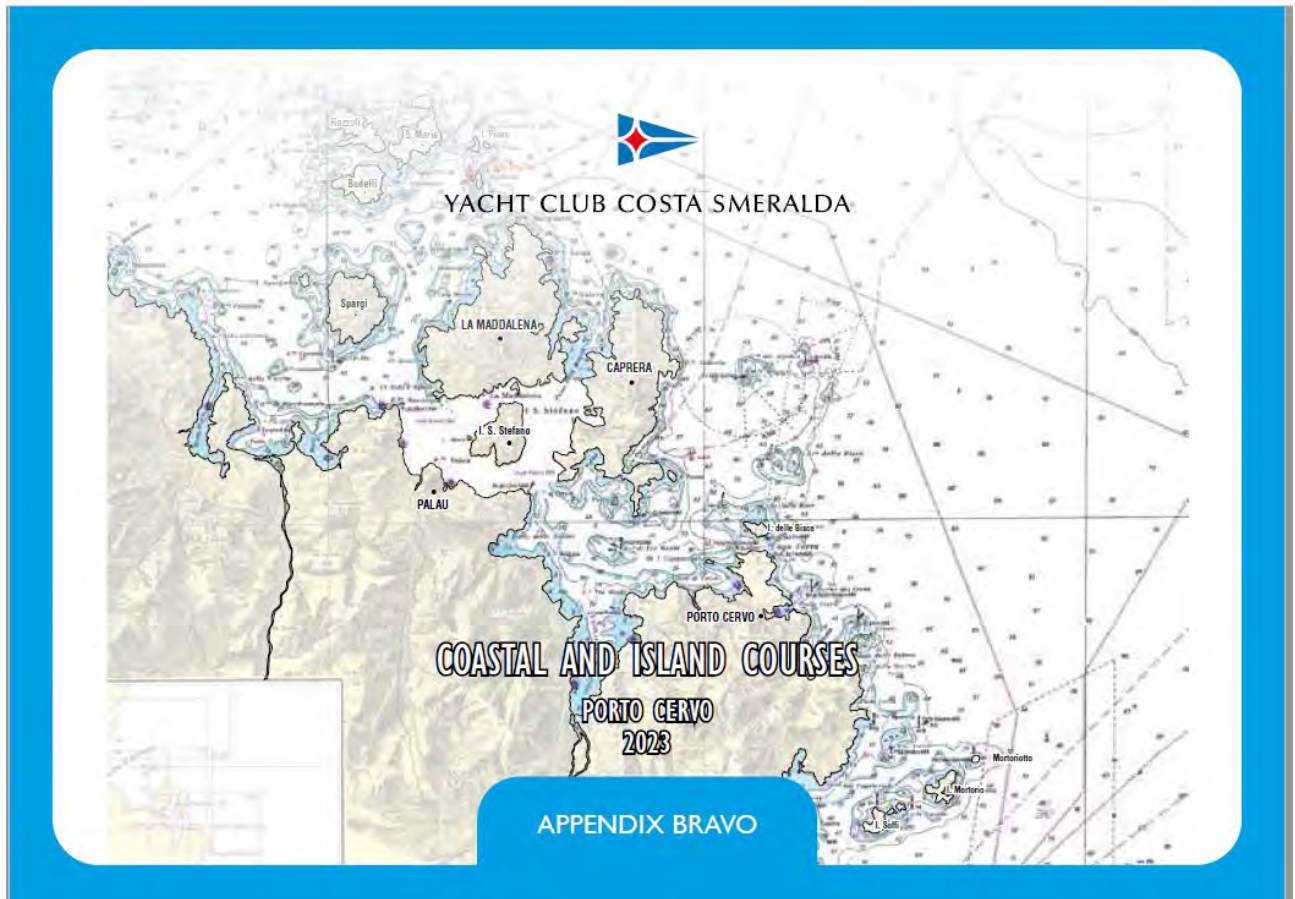


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Sailing Instructions – Appendix BRAVO  
Coastal Courses

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## MAXIYACHT ROLEX CUP

Porto Cervo, 3 – 9 September 2023

### Calendar of Sport & Social Events

Date	Time	Sport events	Time	Other Events
- Sunday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	09.00 / 16.00	Registrations at YCCS Race Office <i>Regatta Village, YCCS Piazza Azzurra</i> Only one representative per boat is allowed		
	09.00 / 17.00	Measurements & Inspections, <i>in accordance with the Technical Committee schedule</i>		
	18.00	Skippers Briefing at YCCS Terrazza Azzurra - upper terrace.		
			19.00	Welcome Cocktail <i>at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda</i> <b>Dress code:</b> Jacket / long trousers
- Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> September	12.00	Race (s)	16.00 / 18.00	Refreshment after race <i>at the Regatta Village</i>
- Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September	12.00	Race (s)	16.00 / 18.00	Refreshment after race <i>at the Regatta Village</i>
- Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> September	12.00	Race (s)	16.00 / 18.00	Refreshment after race <i>at the Regatta Village</i>
			20.30	IMA Members' Dinner <i>at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda</i> <i>(by invitation only)</i> <b>Dress code:</b> Blazer & tie
- Thursday, 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Lay Day or Re-sail			
	10.00 or late afternoon	IMA AGM at YCCS	20.30	Rolex Gala Dinner <i>at the Hotel Cala di Volpe</i> <i>(by invitation only)</i> <b>Dress code:</b> Jacket & tie
- Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> September	12.00	Race (s)	19:30	Crew Party <i>at the Regatta Village</i> <b>Dress code:</b> Smart casual
- Saturday, 9 <sup>th</sup> September	12.00	Race (s)	16.00	Refreshment after race <i>at the Regatta Village</i>
			17.30	Final Prize giving <i>at the Regatta Village</i>

*The Organizing Authority reserves the right to modify the above program according to weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances.*



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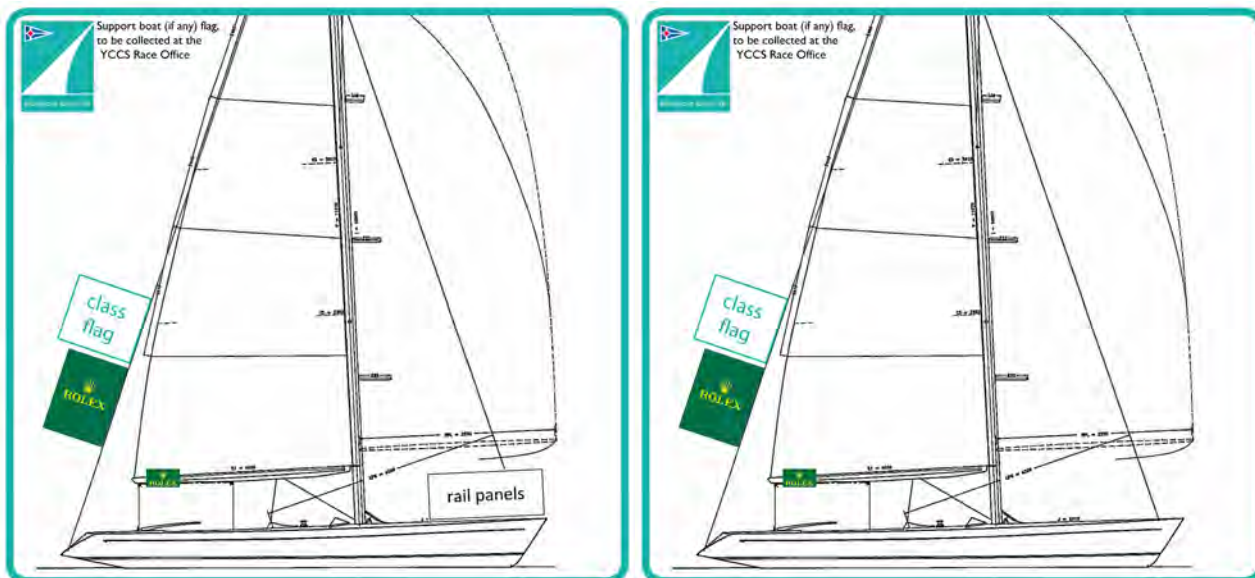
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APPENDIX DELTA: FLAGS AND BOOM STICKERS POSITIONING

WHILE MOORED



WHILE RACING



**BOW NUMBER RAIL PANELS: *Only for those boats that receive them at registration.***



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## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – APPENDIX ECHO

### ON WATER EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

The YCCS, in conjunction with safety officials in Porto Cervo, has established emergency procedures to provide help in the event of an on the water emergency, including injury requiring medical assistance. We also have emergency numbers should there be an accident or injury on shore.

1. Contact the Race Committee immediately on VHF 72.
2. Identify your yacht, the nature of the emergency (type of injury, number of people injured), and your yacht's position.
3. The Race Committee will alert on water safety boats (which will also be monitoring VHF 72) and may direct you to another VHF channel or cell phone for further communication.
4. Proceed at best speed to a designated rendezvous point as directed.
5. Depending on the nature and severity of the injury, should this be the emergency, safety boat personnel may come aboard your yacht to administer aid, evacuate the injured party and/or re-direct you for transfer of the injured person.
6. You are asked to cooperate fully with the Race Committee, local law enforcement and emergency personnel direction.

**Please take the time to review these procedures with your crew prior to the race.**

### EMERGENCY AND MEDICAL NUMBERS

Race Committee, Mobile +39.333.48.583.85      or      VHF Channel 72  
YCCS Race Office, Mobile +39.348.74.237.05      or      +39.0789.90.22.00



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**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**APPENDIX FOXTROT: TRACKING SYSTEM INSTRUCTIONS**  
**INTEGRATION TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS # 25.9**

**TracTrac<sup>®</sup>**  
**Tracking System Instructions**

- 1 GPS tracking of individual boats will be used for safety purposes. In addition the organizers will use the Trac Trac system for public media purposes and to provide displays onshore.
- 2 The following safety procedure will be followed:
  - a) At registration, the RRS Safety Afterguard Member, shall personally collect and sign for their tracking device.
  - b) It is a skippers responsibility to re-charge every evening the tracking device. The tracker is provided with an induction USB charger.
  - c) The tracking device must **be returned** to the race office at the end of the **last race of the series** and before the Prize Giving.
  - d) Any boat failing to comply with this procedure, without any reason beyond her control, will be reported to the race committee and/or protest committee for possible action.

**PLEASE RETURN THE TRACKING DEVICE TO THE EVENT ORGANIZER IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE LAST RACE. IN CASE OF LOSS, THE COST WILL BE CHARGED.**

**MOUNTING THE DEVICE**

The tracking device is recommended to be **attached to the boat on the sea rail**, ideally centrally, at the back of the boat, clear of any obstructions or other instruments, in **clear view of the sky** (for satellites) and **above the Waterline**.

Attach the device into position at the back of the boat. Secure with cable tie or tape, so it does not hang loosely or bang around. Once mounted correctly, do NOT open the water proof plastic bag under any circumstance – the **drybox is waterproof**.

**Tracking System Instructions**

**DEVICE OPERATIONS**



**Led Indicators**  
**GPS GSM Power**



**Switch**  
**On/Off**



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### SWITCHING ON/OFF

Press the **Switch On/Off Button** for at least 3 seconds and release it to turn on.

If you wish to **switch off** the device, push and hold for at least 2 seconds the **Switch On/Off Button**. **Power LED** will fast flash and then turn off, it indicates that the unit is turned off.

### LEDs Description

LED	EVENT	STATE
GPS LED	GPS has fixed	Solid
	GPS is in fixing	Fast Flash
	GPS is off	Dark
GSMLED	Searching network	Fast Flash
	Network has been registered	Slow Flash
Power LED	Power on and normal	Dark
	Charger inserted and charging completed	Solid
	Charger inserted and charging	Fast Flash
	Power key was pressed and prepare to power off	Fast Flash
	Power low alert	Slow Flash



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS  
APPENDIX GOLF: USEFUL LINKS

STAY CONNECTED TO THE EVENT!

Find below the links to get quickly connected to the MAXI YACHT ROLEX CUP Official page.

HOW TO BROWSE THE OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD?

ONB DIRECT LINK: [https://www.yccs.it/en/regattas-2023/maxi\\_yacht\\_rolex\\_cup-3303.html](https://www.yccs.it/en/regattas-2023/maxi_yacht_rolex_cup-3303.html)

QR CODE:



HOW TO BROWSE THE YCCS PAGE?

DIRECT LINK: <https://www.yccs.it/en/home.html>

HOW TO CONSULT THE SCORING?

[OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD](#)

HOW TO JOIN THE UNOFFICIAL WHATSAPP GROUP?

Please, be informed that by joining the WhatsApp Group any member can see your phone number and that the Group will be cancelled at the end of the event.

Each boat shall provide at registration a maximum of three (3) phone numbers with WhatsApp downloaded.

The OA, the RC, the TC and International Jury may use it to communicate unofficially during the event.

**Be aware that this group will not replace the official notice board.**