













The International Maxi Association (IMA), an ISAF International Class, has the right to organize the World Championship for the Maxi fleets.

The organization of the World Championship 2011 for the Mini Maxi fleet has been awarded to the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and will take place in Porto Cervo from September 2nd to September 10th, within the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup.

The Sponsor of the Regatta is Rolex SA, Geneva.

1- RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the following:
 - (a) the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing;
 - (b) the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3 with life rafts compulsorily on board, but subject to the following amendments:
 i. jackstays are not required to be fitted on deck (amends OSR 4.04).
 - (c) the IRC Rules 2011 Parts A, B and C shall apply. 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 of racing;
 - (d) 2011 IMA Class Rules: the title of World Champion will be assigned to the top scoring boat of the Mini Maxi Fleet in compliance with the IMA Class Rules including the Owner/Driver Rule;
 - (e) exceptions to RRS 77 may be granted by the Organizing Authority upon written request prior to the close of registration.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply except Part 6 of prescriptions of the FIV (Italian Sailing Federation), which will apply only to Italian nationals. A copy of that prescription is in Appendix A.
- 1.3 In the event of discrepancy between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence. This change Rule 63.7.
- 1.4 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2- ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may display advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, Advertising Code. Boats shall display Event Advertising in compliance with ISAF Regulation 20 and as detailed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 Boats will be required to display the following 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:
 - a) Sponsor's pennant on the backstay;
 - b) Sponsor's decal on each side of the bow.
- 2.3 In addition boats will be required to display the event battle flag throughout the same period but only while moored.
- 2.4 The Organizing Authority will supply the pennant, decals and flag at registration.
- 2.5 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.
- 2.6 Boats intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state on the entry form the nature of such advertising.
- 2.7 Boats are responsible to inform 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- ELIGIBILITY

The Championship is open to Mini Maxi boats as defined by the IMA Class Rules with a LOA between 18.29 metres and 24.08 metres, of the racing and racing/cruising categories, with a valid IRC ENDORSED rating certificate (see IRC Rule 8.5).

4- ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEE

- 4.1 Entries shall be made on the Entry Form available on the YCCS web site (www.yccs.com) and shall be, completed in full ,received by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda not later than July 20th 2011, accompanied by a non refundable entry fee of 3,000 Euro per boat. The entry fee for YCCS Members and IMA Members is reduced to 1,500 Euro.
- 4.2 The Entry Form shall be accompanied by a copy of the boat's current IRC ENDORSED rating certificate.

If a boat elects to reconfigure the sail plan or change any other measurement values requiring a new rating certificate, the new IRC ENDORSED certificate shall be received by the Organizing Authority, endorsed also by the IMA ATO, not later than 12.00 hours (noon) on 1st September 2011.

Any changes on Rating Certificates after the 1st of September may only be made as a result of inspection and controls.

- 4.3 The Organising Authority reserves the right to accept entries after 20th July 2011. For late entries moorings are not guaranteed and mooring fees are not included in the entry fee.
- 4.4 The entry fee may be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer. If the payment is made by bank transfer, a copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form. Please send the transfer payments to:

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Banca di Credito Sardo - Filiale di Arzachena IBAN: IT92 D030 5984 9011 0000 0000 071 BIC - SWIFT: BCITIT3C

Please specify as object: Name of the event - Name of the boat

5- PROGRAMME

Friday, 2nd September Measurement, Inspection and controls Saturday, 3rd September Measurement, Inspection and controls Sunday, 4th September Measurement, Inspection and controls Monday, 5th September Inspection, Registration and Briefing Tuesday, 6th September Race (s) Wednesday, 7th September Race (s) Thursday, 8th September Race (s) Friday, 9th September Race (s) Saturday, 10th September Race (s) and Prize Giving

The maximum number of races is eight.

It is intention of the Race Committee to hold a minimum of four windward/leeward races and two coastal races of no more than 70 nautical miles. If four windward/leeward and two coastal races are achieved with one day of racing remaining, two windward/leeward will be run should weather conditions allow.

The scheduled time of the first warning signal each day will be 12.00 hours. The Briefing will be held at the YCCS Clubhouse on Monday, September 5th at 18.00 hours. The Organizing Authority and/or the Race Committee reserve the right to modify the programme according to weather conditions or other unforeseen reasons.

The IMA Annual General Meeting will be held at YCCS on September 8th at 18.00 hours.

6- MEASUREMENT AND CONTROLS

6.1 All boats will be subject to inspection and control which may include measurement, equipment checks and weighing or determination of displacement



- by other means as approved by the IMA ATO.
- 6.2 Sail dimensions shall be by direct measurement performed by an IMA approved IRC measurer.
- 6.3 All IRC ENDORSED certificates shall be additionally 'endorsed' by the IMA ATO who may require full or partial re-measurement of any boat. For IMA endorsement please apply to Mr. Peter Lawson Tel. +1 401 524 1335 Email: technical@internationalmaxiassociation.com
- 6.4 Inspection and control will begin on September 2nd in Portisco. Boats shall be at the disposal of the Measurement & Inspection Committee in Portisco no later than 10.00 hours on September 3rd, 2011 except by prior arrangement with the IMA ATO.
- 6.5 A list of the TCCs of the boats will be posted on the YCCS web site on the 2nd of September. TCCs will be also posted on the Official Notice Board during the event. The Protest Time Limit for Rating Protests by boats, except relating to changes made during the regatta, will expire at 12.00 hours on the 5th of September.

7- REGISTRATION

Final Registration formalities shall be completed at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda's Race Office by 14.00 hours on September 5th, 2011, unless the Organizing Authority agrees to a later time, which it will do only in the most exceptional circumstances.

At registration the following documents will be required:

- a) Acceptance of the Notice of Race as set out in the Entry Form;
- b) Disclaimer of liability signed by all crewmembers;
- c) Helmsmen, Relief Helmsmen and Crew list classification. All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF eligibility Code and IMA Owner/Driver rule. A representative of the ISAF Sailor Classification Commission will be present during registration and will carry out spot checks;
- d) Media rights consent signed by all crewmembers.

8- SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available for competitors upon final registration.

9- RACING AREA AND CHARTS

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

10- PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. Protests will be heard by an International Jury whose ruling shall be final.

11- SCORING

The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply. One score will be excluded if five or more races are sailed.

Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series and to award the Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship Title.

12- MOORINGS

- 12.1 The entry fee includes mooring fees from 09.00 hours on September 2nd to 10.00 hours on September, 11th 2011, at Portisco Marina for the measurement and control and Porto Cervo Marina provided that the completed entry form and entry fee are received by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda before 20th July 2011.
- 12.2 Moorings are not guaranteed or included in the entry fee for late entries.
- 12.3 The cost of electricity, water consumption and telephone charges as well as mooring fees for late entries and/or additional periods, must be paid directly to the Marina Office by the participants.



12.4 To reserve moorings prior to and after the dates in 12.1 above and for tenders please apply directly to the Marina Offices:

Porto Cervo Marina

Tel.+39/0789/905111 - Fax +39/0789/91153.

Email: info@marinadiportocervo.com

Portisco Marina

Tel. +39/0789/33520 - Fax:+39/0789/33560

Email: info@marinadiportisco.it

13- RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver capable of operating on VHF channels 9, 16 and 72.

14- TROPHIES AND PRIZES

The Mini Maxi Rolex World Championship Trophy will be awarded to the first boat overall in full compliance with the IMA Owner/Driver rule.

An additional Rolex Trophy will be awarded to the top scoring boat in the Racing/Cruising Category.

15- DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

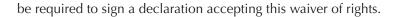
- 15.1 Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009/2012, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their boat, the rigging, the crew's ability and 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 Rolex S.A., the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and the International Maxi Association and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the behaviour and dress of the boat's crew, representatives and guests.
- 15.2 Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".
- 15.3 In any case, competitors agree that the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, the International Maxi Association, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to crewmembers or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel or property.
- 15.4 As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

16- 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.

17- MEDIA RIGHTS

- 17.1 Competitors grant Rolex S.A. and the Organizing Authority, including the International Maxi Association, the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press
 - information; in this respect, competitors' names and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known.
- 17.2 As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will





18- PRESS OFFICE

Media representatives wishing to cover the event are requested to contact: YCCS Press Office
Yacht Club Costa Smeralda
07021 Porto Cervo (OT) Italy
Tel. +39 0789 902200 - Fax +39 0789 91213

Email: pressoffice@yccs.it

19. SOCIAL EVENTS

The preliminary social programme for the event is as follows:

Monday 5th September YCCS Welcome Reception

Wednesday 7th September IMA Dinner

Thursday 8th September Rolex Dinner

Friday 9th September Rolex Crew Party

Saturday 10th September Prize Giving

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please check the event web site:www.yccs.com

APPENDIX A

FIV PRESCRIPTION

PART 6- ENTRY AND QUALIFICATION Rule 75 – ENTERING A RACE Prescription to Rule 75.2

The Italian Sailing Federation prescribes: current FIV regulations are to be followed when accepting entries; the competitors must hold a valid and current FIV Membership and the owners of boats of recognized classes, including offshore must also hold a valid and current FIV Membership, even if they are not sailing the race.



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