











The Transatlantic Superyacht & Maxi Regatta will depart from Tenerife, Canary Islands, Spain the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

The regatta is organized by the International Maxi Association (IMA) and the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) and with the support of the Real Club Nautico de Tenerife and the Royal British Virgin Islands Yacht Club.

## 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITIES

IMA – INTERNATIONAL MAXI ASSOCIATION

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18° 29' 30.40" N 64° 21' 31.48" W - Radio: VHF 08

#### 2. RULES

- **2.1** The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing 2009/2012 (RRS). Three hours after the start the RRS will be replaced by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea.
- **2.2** No National authority prescriptions will apply.
- **2.3** ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category ONE, current on November 2012, will apply. A written declaration by the owner/skipper in charge for the race shall be delivered to the O.A. at registration to comply with these Rules, including training sessions, taking full responsibilities for the safety equipments.
- **2.4** IRC Rating system will be used. IRC Rules and Regulations will apply but all devices for power assisted winches, canting keels, trim tab and water ballast are permitted if declared in the rating certificate.
- 2.5 The minimum crew members shall be eight. The complete list of people on board shall be delivered at registration.
- **2.6** The 2012 IMA Rules except that Class Rule 2.4.3 is modified to remove the restriction on the number of sails that may be carried on board during the race. Boats are free to carry any number of sails during the race as long as they are declared on the sail inventory at registration.

### 3. ADVERTISING

Boats may display Advertising in accordance with ISAF Regulation 20.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **4.1** The regatta is open to all boats, with a minimum LH of 60 feet, in compliance with the IMA's categories.
- **4.2** Entries shall be made on the attached Entry Form (Annex 1) and shall be received, completed in full, by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and/or the International Maxi Association not later than September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012, accompanied by a non-refundable entry fee of 3.000 Euro per yacht. A reduced entry fee of Euro 2.000 is available for current members of the IMA or current members of the YCCS, whose entries are completed before September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012.



The entry fee includes participation of the entire crew at the social events (welcome cocktail and prize giving party), free moorings at the Marina de Santa Cruz from 12.00 hours on November 24<sup>th</sup> to the starting day on November 26<sup>th</sup> free moorings in Virgin Gorda from the arrival of the boats until 09.00 hours on 12<sup>th</sup> December. Only boats entered by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2012 and participating in the regatta will be entitled to these concessions.

For assistance with the mooring please contact the Marina de Santa Cruz Offices on VHF 9 or 16 and the YCCS Virgin Gorda Marina Office on VHF Channel 8 or 16. Office. Provision of water and electricity is not included in the entry fee and must be requested at the Marina Office. Payment for these services must be made to the Marina Office.

**4.3** The entry fee can be paid by bank transfer. A copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form. Please send the transfer payment to:

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda

Banca di Credito Sardo – Filiale di Arzachena

IBAN: IT92 DO30 5894 9011 0000 0000 071 BIC - SWIFT: BCITIT3C

Please specify as object: Name of the event – Name of the Boat

#### 5. SCHEDULE

- **5.1** Registrations, random inspections and checks will be held in Tenerife on November  $24^{th}$  and  $25^{th}$ .
- **5.2** Official Briefing will take place at 18.00 hours at the Real Club Nautico Tenerife on November 25<sup>th</sup>.
- **5.3** The first racing signal will take place in the waters outside Tenerife Marina at 13.00 hours on Monday November 26<sup>th</sup> .

# 6. MEASUREMENT AND CHECKS

Each boat shall produce an IRC valid rating certificate approved by the IMA Technical Office. Random checks will take place at the start and at the finish. Copy of the valid IRC Rating Certificate shall be sent to: <a href="mailto:secretariat@yccs.it">secretariat@yccs.it</a> and /or <a href="mailto:info@internationalmaxiassociation.com">info@internationalmaxiassociation.com</a>, accompanied by the entry form.

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on the IMA and YCCS website: (<a href="www.internationalmaxiassociation.com">www.yccs.com</a>) by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The final Sailing Instructions will be delivered at registration.

## 8. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- **8.1** All boats shall be equipped as described by ISAF Special Regulations Par. 3.29 for category ONE.
- **8.2** A tracking system will be provided and installed by the O.A. free of charge for the competitors.
- **8.3** Daily position report(s) to the O.A. shall be made by each boat as specified in the S.I.

#### 9. TROPHIES AND PRIZES

The prize giving will take place at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Clubhouse, Virgin Gorda, one day after the last boat to finish or on Thursday, December  $12^{th}$ , whichever comes first.

- Transatlantic Maxi Yacht Cup will be awarded to the first yacht on the line;
- Trophies will be awarded to the overall winner in IRC;
- Trophies for the winner of each IMA category in accordance with the IMA 2012 rules;
- Trophy to the first IMA member;
- Trophy to the first YCCS member.

## 10. INSURANCE

It is the responsibility of the owner to provide third party insurance of an adequate amount.

### 11. DISCLAIMER

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, 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;
- 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".

In any case, competitors agree that the International Maxi Association, the Real Club Nautico de Tenerife, the Royal British Virgin Islands Yacht Club, the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel or property. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

#### 12. MEDIA RIGHTS

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

## 13. PROTESTS

Protests shall be delivered at arrival within two hours after finish. VHF communication to the protested boat shall be made at the infringement with copy by email to the O.A. Hearing will be held by a Protest Committee as soon as possible after all parties concerned are present on the island. Committee Members will also be present at Tenerife.

### 14. SOCIAL EVENTS

A Welcome party will be held at the Real Club Nautico de Tenerife on November 25<sup>th</sup> and the Prize Giving party will take place at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Clubhouse in Virgin Gorda after the Prize giving ceremony. Other Social events will be specified in the S.I. .

## 15. PRESS OFFICE

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

IMA Press Office Maria Luisa Farris 0039 345 8257605

Email: communications@internationalmaxiassociation.com

YCCS Press Office

Email: <a href="mailto:pressoffice@yccs.it">pressoffice@yccs.it</a>

## 16. MOORINGS

To reserve moorings prior and after the dates indicated in Par 4.2, please apply directly to:

Marina Santa Cruz Puerto Comercial de Tenerife Darsena Los llanos S/N

Phone: 922 292184 Fax: 922 247933 Email: marinasantacruz@terra.es

YCCS Marina Virgin Gorda North Sound – BVI

Tel: +1 284 495-5400 Fax: +1 284 494-3557

www.yccsmarina.com Email: dockmaster@yccsmarina.com 18° 29' 30.40" N 64° 21' 31.48" W - Radio: VHF 08

Further information and details are available at <a href="https://www.internationalmaxiassociation.com">www.internationalmaxiassociation.com</a> and <a href="https://www.yccs.com">www.yccs.com</a>.

For accommodating assistance in Virgin Gorda, please contact:

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