Palermo - Montecarlo 2019 August 21st - 26th

Sailing Instructions

Abbreviations:

WS	World Sailing
FIV	Italian Sailing Federation
RRS	Racing Rules of Sailing
OA	Organising Authority
NoR	Notice of Race
SI	Sailing Instructions
IJ	International Jury

RD	Race Director
RC	Race Committee

- ONB Official Notice Board
- RO Race Office
- DP Discretionary Penalties
- TC Technical Committee

1 RULES

- **1.1** The Race will be governed by:
- The rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS);
- 2018-2019 WS Offshore Special Regulations for category 3 races, with mandatory life-raft;
- International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS);
- 2019 FIV Offshore Regulation (note: it is mandatory for each crew to wear a personal flotation device (PFD with waterproof strobe light when at night);
- The Notice of Race;
- The Sailing Instructions;
- All amendments made by the OA, RC and Jury that will be posted on the ONB located at Marina di Villa Igiea and duplicated at Circolo della Vela Sicilia no later than 3 hours before the start;
- In the case of conflict on the interpretation between the english text and the italian text, the english text shall prevail.

1.2 Sailing after Sunset

From 0800pm to 0530am CEST, the Part 2 rules of RRS shall not apply and shall be replaced by the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS).

1.3 The Race is category "C", in accordance with World Sailing Advertising Regulation 20.

2 ENTRIES

2.1 See NoR

2.2 To complete the registration, no later than 1400 of Tuesday, August 20th 2019, a yacht shall present to the race office at Marina di Villa Igiea the completed and signed entry form with the following documents:

- Crew list (including weight);
- Declaration of Responsibility in accordance with RRS 4 signed by all crew members;
- Parent/Guardian Consent Declaration Form for all members less than 18 years of age at time of start of the race;
- Self declaration regarding the mandatory safety equipment in accordance with category 3 WS OSR 2018-2019, in addition, a life-raft and a lifejacket with waterproof strobe light;
- An appropriate third party insurance not less than euro 1,500,000;
- Any document regarding the payment of advertising fee;
- A valid measurement/class certificate (ORC and/or IRC);
- A valid WS Offshore Personal Survival Training Course Certificate (at least one crew member);
- Tracking Unit, Damage Deposit.

2.3 In addition to the safety equipment listed in category 3 races, the OA will provide a tracking unit for nautical position. The OA will require Euro 300 as a damage deposit for the unit. The unit shall be returned to the race office in Montecarlo after finishing the race and if the unit is in the same state as the original then the deposit will be returned.

2.4 It is mandatory for the yachts to display the official stickers on the bow in the way as described in the Appendix D. It is also mandatory, while racing, to display the official flag of the event on the backstay (if present) and any other element of sponsorship as requested by the organizing authority (when moored).

3 SCHEDULE

3.1 The Warning Signal will be displayed at 1155 on August 21st 2019

3.2 The official time will be GPS time.

3.3 The Official Skippers Briefing will be held on August 20^{th} at 1300 hrs after the press conference (scheduled at 1100) at Circolo della Vela Sicilia, at least one member of each yacht shall attend the briefing.

4 STARTING AREA

The starting area will be Mondello's Gulf

5 MARKS

5.1 The Race Committee vessel will be identified by Circolo della Vela Sicilia burgee.

5.2 All Marks will be: Yellow cylindrical.

6 STARTING LINE

6.1 The starting line will be a straight line between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC vessel (on the right end of the line) and a staff displaying an orange flag on the pin boat (on the left end of the line). The pin boat may be replaced by a yellow cylindrical mark. See Appendix A.6.2 The starting procedure will be in accordance with RRS 26, as follow:

- 5	"K"displayed	Warning signal
- 4	"P"displayed	Preparatory signal
- 1	"P"lowered	One minute
0	"K"lowered	STARTING SIGNAL

The orange flag will be displayed at least 5' before the warning signal. Boats crossing the starting line 15' after the starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

7 RECALLS

The RC will signal the OCS, if any, in accordance with RRS 29.1. A boat that breaks this rule and does not return to the starting line shall be penalized by adding five (5) hours to her finish elapsed time. The RC may inform the OCS yachts on Vhf 74 (bow number or sail number or boat's name). This communication is not considered outside help (this changes RRS 41). Failure in transmitting cannot be ground for request of redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

8 COURSE

8.1 Mondello - Porto Cervo - Montecarlo.

The length of course to score the race is fixed at 437 NM.

A possible offset mark maybe set at about 1.0 nm from the starting line. Bearing and distance will be displayed on the RC vessel. In addition the RC will also display a green (starboard rounding) or red flag (port rounding) to inform the yachts on which side that mark shall be left.

After rounding the possible offset mark the yachts shall sail towards Porto Cervo gate.

8.2 It is mandatory to leave Sardinia to port.

9 PORTO CERVO GATE (Description and mandatory procedures) - DP

9.1 The gate will be a straight line between the beacon "Secca del Cervo" (on the left),

Lat. $41^{\circ}08'.670$ N - Long. $09^{\circ}32'.730$ E, and a yellow cylindrical mark with a strobe light (flashing each 2 seconds, on the right) Lat. $41^{\circ}09'.014$ N - Long. $09^{\circ}32'.980$ E, (at approx. 800 meters NE from the beacon) See Appendix B.

9.2 In accordance with Italian Coast Guard laws, it is forbidden:

(a) to sail between the coast and the "Secca(shallow) del Cervo"

(b) to pass closer than 50 meters from the "Secca(shallow) del Cervo"

9.3 When approximately 5 nm from the gate, yachts shall call or text the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Race Office on + 39 348 7423705.

9.4 When approximately 1 nm from the gate, yachts shall call again the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Race Office on Vhf 74.

The crossing time will be recorded and possibly communicated on Vhf by the YCCS Race Office.

9.5 The RC considers the infringement of 9.3 and 9.4 as a major breach and it will protest any yacht that will not comply with it, the penalty will be at discretion of the International Jury.

10 FINISHING LINE (steps to approach the finishing line and enter Port Hercule) – DP

10.1 The finishing line will be a straight line between the Red headlight of Port Hercule Harbor (on the left side) and a yellow mark (Lat. $43^{\circ}44'.000$ N - Long. $007^{\circ}26'666$ E) located at about 0.4 NM (bearing 118°) to be left to starboard. See appendix C.

After the sunset, a strobe light will, if possible, be placed atop the yellow mark.

A different location of the finishing mark or the absence of the strobe light atop the mark are not be grounds for a request of redress [this changes RRS 62.1(a)].

10.2 Yachts shall inform the RC of their position (via Vhf 74 or calling +393669337776 or +393315730477) when approximately 10 nm from the finishing line. Yachts shall inform the RC for the second time at approximately 5 nm from the finishing line.

10.3 The RC considers the infringement of 10.2 as a major breach and it will protest any yacht that will not comply with it, the penalty will be at discretion of the International Jury.

10.4 Before entering the Harbor

Upon arrival in Monaco you will be welcomed by our team who will assist you to moor your boat in a designated place. Before entering the Harbor of Monaco, authorization must be granted by Vhf: "Yacht Club de Monaco Marina": Vhf Channel 14.

For any information regarding logistics in Monaco, please contact:

Charles Terrin: regate@ycm.org or +377 93 10 64 02

Boats wishing to stay after midday (1200 hrs) on August 27th of 2019 must obtain authorization from the Yacht Club de Monaco Marina desk in Monaco or by email: assistante.marina@ycm.org. Normal harbor fees will apply.

IMPORTANT: It is mandatory to complete and deliver the **Declaration of Compliance** to the race office with the **tracking unit** immediately after docking.

Boats that finish during the night shall deliver the Declaration the morning after from 0900 to 1000. It is mandatory to include the GPS finishing time in the Declaration of Compliance.

11 SAFETY RULES DURING THE RACE (See also item 2.2) - DP

11.1 All Owners shall sign the Declaration, which confirms:

- they are aware of WS OSR 2018-2019;
- the yacht is able to race
- all safety equipment listed in OSR 2018-2019 category 3 is on board.

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11.2 If a yacht decides to retire from the race, she shall inform the race committee immediately at +393669337776 or +393315730477 of her decision; the yacht shall also give the time and GPS location at that time. Failure in transmitting this decision to the race committee may result in a report to the jury that may act at her discretion.

12 MEASUREMENT INSPECTIONS

Inspections are scheduled as per NoR paragraph 9 at berths of Marina Villa Igiea and at arrival in the waters of Monaco.

13 TIME LIMIT

Time limit will expire at 1200 hrs on August 26th 2019. This changes RRS 35.

14 PROTEST

14.1 Protest time limit will be one (1) hours after protestor boat finishing time.

14.2 A boat shall inform the race committee on Vhf 74 of her intention to protest immediately after she finishes or retires. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

14.3 If a boat finishes after 2200, the protest can be lodged the morning after from 0900 to 1000. **14.4** If the RC decides to protest a boat, she shall inform that boat by posting on the appropriate ONB.

14.5 The Jury will post the order of hearings, time and place on the ONB located at Yacht Club de Monaco RO

14.6 The hearings are scheduled to begin at 1300 hrs of August 26th 2019 at Yacht Club de Monaco. If all parties of a hearing are available, a different day/time may be scheduled.

Only measurement hearings will be scheduled on the day before the start (August 20th 2019).

15 SCORING

A software will be used for calculating the handicap in the race. Different interpretations will not be grounds for a request of a redress. This change RRS 62.1(a).

16 VOLUNTARY PENALTY

If a yacht breaks a RRS of Part 2 she may exonerate herself by promptly taking a one-turn penalty (including one tack and one gybe). This change 44.1 and 44.2.

If the infringement occurs in the three length zone of a mark to round or to pass, a yacht shall take a two-turns penalty (including two tacks and two gybes) to exonerate herself.

Penalty declaration shall be delivered after finish with same procedure of hearings (see paragraph 14).

18 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The official RC channel is Vhf 74; it is mandatory for all boats to monitor this channel at all times while racing. All communications will be broadcasted on Vhf 74.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

In accordance with World Sailing RRS fundamental 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone.". All sailors take part in the regatta at their own risk and are under their responsibility.

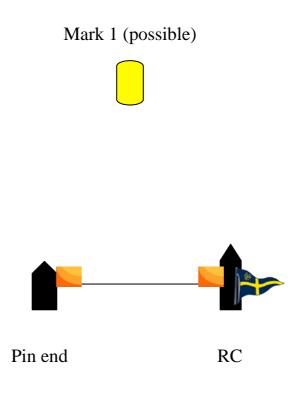
The regatta, under the current regulation, has no personal assistance except in case of emergency, in which the Maritime Authority (Capitaneria di Porto) is responsible.

For this reason all boats shall have a Vhf radio able to transmit and receive on channel 16 (rescue channel) and 74.

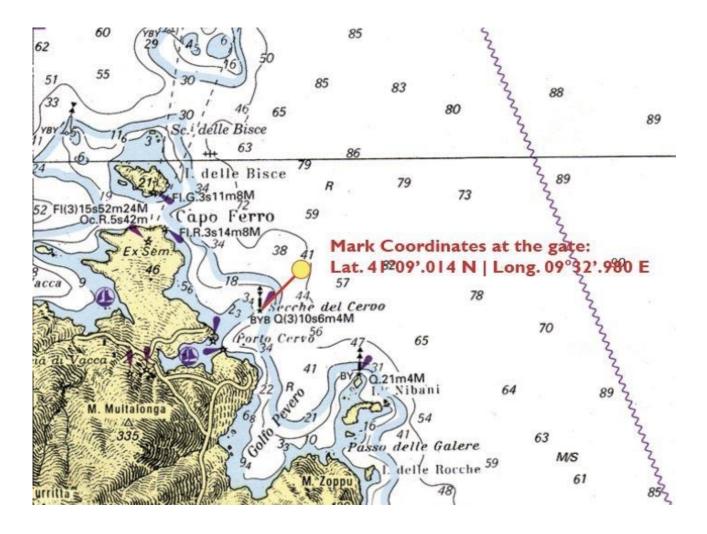
The organizers, the RD, the RC, the IJ accept no liability for any damage that may subject persons and/or property, both on land and in water, as a result of their participation in the races under these instructions.

Owners and managers on board are reminded that they must personally respond to all accidents that can occur to their boats and/or crews. They must contract the necessary insurance to cover all risks including those from third parties.

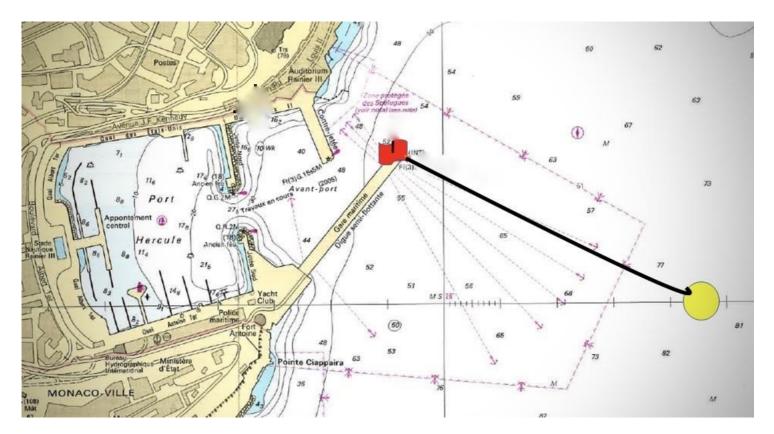
APPENDIX A - STARTING AREA (not to scale)



APPENDIX B - PORTO CERVO GATE



APPENDIX C - FINISHING LINE



APPENDIX D - STICKERS POSITION

