

# TRE GOLFI SAILING WEEK

67<sup>th</sup> Regata dei Tre Golfi - Maxi European Championship  
ORC Mediterranean Championship - Campionato Nazionale del Tirreno  
14 – 21 May, Naples – Sorrento, Italy

## NOTICE OF RACE MAXI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

*The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a). The notation '(DP)' indicates discretionary penalty*

### 1. TITLE, VENUE, DATES AND ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The 2022 Maxi European Championship (MEC) is an open championship, IMA membership and European citizenship are not required.
- 1.2. The 2022 Maxi European Championship is part of the Tre Golfi Sailing Week and includes:
  - a) one long-distance race along the course of the 67th Regata dei Tre Golfi, part of the IMA Mediterranean Offshore Challenge;
  - b) four days of inshore races, also part of the IMA Mediterranean Inshore Challenge.Please note: only racing the long-distance or the inshore races is permitted but maxi yachts racing both will be given preference of berthing in Marina Piccola Sorrento.
- 1.3. Organising Authority: Supported by ROLEX as Official Timepiece, the MEC is organised from 14 to 20 May 2022 by Circolo Remo e Vela Italia under the patronage of FIV and in cooperation with Yacht Club Italiano, Reale Yacht Club Canottieri Savoia and IMA.  
event web site: [www.tregolfisailingweek.com](http://www.tregolfisailingweek.com) | contacts: [info@tregolfisailingweek.com](mailto:info@tregolfisailingweek.com)
- 1.4. The official language of the event is English.
- 1.5. The OA reserves the right to amend this NoR until 6 May 2022, by posting the new version on the event website and sending it by e-mail to the yachts already registered. Such notification shall be deemed to be in compliance with RRS 89.2 [(a)][(b)]

### 2. RULES

- 2.1 The Regatta will be governed by:
  - The rules as defined in the RRS;
  - WS Offshore Special Regulations Category 3, including life raft for the long-distance race;
  - the IMA class rules:
    - (a) IMA Rule C.2.1.(a).2 applies to all boats competing in the MEC
    - (b) IMA Rules C2.2 to C2.5 applies to helmsmen competing in the MEC
- 2.2 Rating rules:  
2022 IRC Rule, Parts A, B and C;
  - (a) for the purpose of IRC Rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) this Regatta is on consecutive days and the sails carried on board need to remain the same for each day of racing but not for the duration of the whole event, but sails need to remain the same each day. For the purpose of this rule the day begins when a boat leaves the mooring for the first time each day and ends when the boat returns to the mooring after racing;
  - (b) IRC Rule 22.4.2 is deleted and replaced with: "The maximum number of crew members on board shall be the crew number printed on her certificate. There is no weight limit".
- 2.3 If declared on the measurement and/or class certificate, 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 (this changes RRS 51 and 52).

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2.4 Exceptions to RRS 77 may be granted by the OA upon written request prior to the close of registration (this changes RRS 77).

### **3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available to competitors upon final registration and published on-line on the event website.

### **4. COMMUNICATION**

4.1 The online official notice board will be on-line at the event website.

4.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel(s) 16, 6, 72, 74

4.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

4.5 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### **5. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION**

5.1 Each yacht shall have a valid endorsed IRC measurement certificate issued before Wednesday 11 May 2022.

5.2 Entries are restricted to the Maxi yachts with LH > 18.29m as defined by IMA class rules.

5.3 If supported by sufficient entries, besides racing for the European Championship title, yachts may be allocated by the OA, at their sole discretion, to classes or sub-classes based on the number and diversity of entries and the IMA rules. Each class or sub-class will have a separate scoring for that purpose but all will start together.

5.4 Due to the limited number of moorings available in Sorrento, the maximum number of entries is 25. Based on the availability of additional berths, the OA may allow registrations beyond this limit.

5.5 Yachts may pre-register until 24.00 hrs. of Tuesday 15 March 2022 (the "Registration Deadline") by completing the online registration form available on the event web site.

5.6 A yacht will be considered pre-registered if the following documents are received:

- entry form;
- entry fee payment confirmation.

5.7 The list of pre-registered yachts will be updated on the event's website upon receipt of each new entry.

5.8 If more than 25 yachts are pre-registered at the Registration Deadline, final entries will be accepted at the OA discretion, in agreement with IMA, by considering:

- international representation of the fleet;
- yacht and skipper racing records;
- chronological order in which the yachts are pre-registered.

5.9 The final list of accepted entries will be published on the event's website by Tuesday 22 March 2022.

5.10 Pre-registered yachts whose entry is not accepted will be allocated in a "waiting list" and, based on their ranking, can replace any of the accepted boats that withdraw their participation.

5.11 The entry fee received from any boat whose entry is not accepted will be refunded.

5.12 Entry fees paid by accepted entries will not be refunded if the yacht does not participate at the event.

5.13 Entries completed before the Registration Deadline are subject to Euro 2,000 entry fee (net of any bank charges), reduced to Euro 1,500 for IMA members.

5.14 Entries completed after the Registration Deadline may be accepted at the OA's discretion with a 50% surcharge.

5.15 The OA is not responsible for any cost incurred by the non-acceptance of a yacht's registration nor for any delay, postponement or cancellation of the race.

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5.16 The following documents shall be uploaded online prior to final registration. A boat shall not be considered registered until all documents are supplied (this changes RRS 78.2):

- a valid IRC measurement certificate;
- crew list;
- a valid third-party liability insurance of Euro 5,000,000;
- liability acceptance form, correctly filled out and signed;
- FIV advertising license, if applicable;
- personal contact details.

## **6. ADVERTISING, TRACKING UNIT AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT**

6.1. Advertising will be in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

6.2. 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 series (DP):

- sponsor pennant on the backstay or centre back stanchion throughout the entire event;
- event battle flag or sponsor pennant on the forestay while moored;

6.3. The OA may require the installation, at no cost to the competitors, of on-board cameras, position devices and guest riders, on board positions will be defined in the SI.

6.4. An electronic tracking system will be used for monitoring the nautical position of the yachts. The OA may use the information received for media coverage as well as for safety purposes.

6.5. Participants shall allow the installation of the tracking unit on their boats and shall be responsible for the unit while on board. They shall return the unit to the RO as soon as possible after finishing the race and will be required to leave a damage deposit of Euro 900, by credit card or check, in case the unit is not returned.

## **7. SCHEDULE**

7.1 Registration Deadline: 24.00 hrs. on Tuesday 15 March 2022.

7.2 Equipment inspection and event measurement: Friday 13 May from 10.00 to 18.00 hrs and Saturday 14 May from 9.00 to 12.00 hrs yachts must be available for inspections by the TC in Sorrento and if only competing in the inshore races from 10.00 to 18.00 hrs of Monday 16 May 2022.

7.3 Dates of racing:

Saturday 14 May                    start of the 150 nm long-distance race at 19.00 hours from Naples  
*(individual start for IMEC)*

Tuesday 17 May                    inshore race(s)

Wednesday 18 May                inshore race(s)

Thursday 19 May                  inshore race(s)

Friday 20 May                     inshore race(s)

7.4. The OA and/or the RC has the authority to change the schedule of the races by posting on the ONB before 19.00 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

7.5. No warning signal will be displayed after 15.00 hrs on Friday 20 May, except as a consequence of a general recall.

7.6. The courses will be further detailed in the SI.

7.7. Format: besides the long distance race, a maximum of six inshore (windward/leeward or coastal) races with the starting line placed in the waters between Sorrento and Capri. A maximum of two windward-leeward races or one coastal race may be scheduled per race day.

7.8. The championship is valid if at least two races are completed.

7.9. Prize giving is scheduled for Saturday 21 May at 18.30 in Sorrento.

## **8. INTERNATIONAL JURY, PENALTIES, REQUESTS OF REDRESS**

8.1. An International Jury will be appointed in compliance with RRS 91(b) and Appendix N.

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- 8.2 The right of appeal from a protest committee decision is denied as provided in RRS 70.5[(a)][(b)][(c)].
- 8.3 RRS 44.3 applies.
- 8.4 Additional rules on penalties may be set in the SI.
- 8.5 Redress Limitation:
- (a) redress shall not be given to a yacht for a greater number of races than she completed during the regatta; this changes RRS 60.1(b) and RRS 62.1.
- (b) actions by official boats, drones or helicopters shall not be grounds for requesting redress by a boat, this changes RRS 60.1(b).

**9. SCORING AND TROPHIES**

- 9.1 The “Low Point” scoring system of Appendix A shall apply.
- 9.2 Results will be calculated on the basis of “Time on Time”.
- 9.3 The European Championship will be awarded to the first maxi yacht (LH > 18.29) based on the results of the long-distance race having a 1.25 coefficient and the inshore races having 1.0 coefficient, with one discard if four or more races are completed.
- 9.4 Trophies (the final list will be posted on the ONB):
- ROLEX trophy to the winner of the Maxi European Championship;
  - Trophy to the first European yacht of the Maxi European Championship;
  - IMA trophy for the highest placed IMA member at the Maxi European Championship;
  - Trophy to the first yacht on line honors rankings;
  - Trophies to the winners of the series of the inshore races;
  - Trophies to the first three yachts of each division with at least six entries, otherwise to the first two yachts.

**10. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

The TC may inspect any boat before, between and after racing.

**11. SUPPORT BOATS**

- 11.1. All support boats shall be registered at the RO (DP).
- 11.2. Identification numbers will be provided by the OA and shall be visible at all times.
- 11.3. Teams or their representatives shall not fly drones over the race areas during training or racing days unless prior written approval by the OA, which may impose similar limitations as applicable to support boats, and without complying with Italian Law. At any time, the risk and responsibility for flying any drone is with the person flying it. Images made within the racing area shall be shared with the OA, the Jury and competitors at reasonable request (DP).

**12. MOORINGS, VANS AND CONTAINERS**

- 12.1 Subject to availability, Maxi yachts registered for the event will be provided a free of charge berth in Marina Piccola Sorrento from Wednesday 11 to Saturday 21 May.
- 12.2 Registered boats that do not participate in any race of the series, or requiring stay outside these dates, will be required to pay the applicable mooring fee.
- 12.3 It is mandatory to send an email to the RO at least 72 hours before the arrival. On their arrival, yachts shall inform the OA on VHF Ch. 74 (Sorrento).
- 12.4 Based on the chronological registration order, the OA will assign a limited amount of free charge parking places for vans and containers in Sorrento.

### **13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

13.1 From 09.00 hrs 11th May boats racing in the long-distance race and from 15th May until the end of the last scheduled race for boats racing in the inshore races, shall not be hauled out, except for the purposes of repairing damage and only after written permission from the TC.

13.2 While hauled for the above purpose, cleaning and polishing of the hull below the waterline will not be permitted.

13.3 Appendages shall not be removed from the boats during the event period.

13.4 In accordance with Italian law diving inside the harbours is forbidden.

### **14. MEDIA RIGHTS**

Competitors, owners and their guests grant absolute right and permission to the OA for any photography and video footage taken of persons and boats during the event, to be published and/or broadcast in any media, including but not limited to TV advertisements, whatsoever for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information.

### **15. MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION NATIONALITY**

15.1 Italian crews shall have a valid FIV membership card, inclusive of medical prescription.

15.2 Non-Italian crews must comply with the rules of their National Authorities.

15.3 The registration nationality of a yacht is indicated by the owner of the yacht as set out in the entry form. If not indicated, the sail national letters on the mainsail or the owner's nationality will be used.

15.4 Competitors must be at least 12 years old on the first day of race of the event. Crew members who are less than 18 years old shall present at registration a declaration form, available on the event website, signed by parents or legal guardian who must give consent.

### **16. INSURANCE**

16.1 Participants shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum cover of Euro 5,000,000. The responsibility to hold adequate insurance cover for Tort Liability and Third- Party Insurance (Property and Persons) is to the owners or the skippers alone.

16.2 The OA is not responsible for verifying the status or validity of insurance certificates.

### **17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

17.1 Competitors agree to be bound by the World Sailing RRS 2021/2024, this NoR and the SI. Competitors agree that the sole and inescapable responsibility for the nautical qualities of any boat participating in any of the races of the Tre Golfi Sailing Week, including her rigging, safety equipment on board and the competence, behaviour and dress of her crew, is that of the Owner/Charterer of the boat. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for all damages whatsoever 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, and hereby relieve from any responsibility, and agree to indemnify on a full indemnity basis and hold harmless, the OA, CRVI, IMA, ORC, FIV, UVAI, YCI, RYCCS and sponsors (in particular but not limited to ROLEX and affiliated companies) and their representatives in respect of any claim arising there from.

17.2 Competitors shall apply RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 3: " The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone ".

17.3 In summary, competitors agree that the OA, CRVI, IMA, FIV, UVAI, YCI, RYCCS and sponsors (in particular but not limited to ROLEX and affiliated companies) and their representatives have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.

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17.4 Notice is hereby given to all participants including officials, volunteers, and others that they participate in this event solely at their own risk and voluntarily assume the risks associated with communicable diseases, including, but not limited to, COVID-19.

**18. COVID-19**

18.1 It is mandatory that all activities must be held under the provisions to contain and control the spread of COVID-19 as issued by the Italian Health Authorities and by FIV. These provisions will be applied by the OA and all participants, crews and guests must comply (DP).

18.2 Protocols and prescriptions regarding COVID-19 may be published at any time. They will state as if they have the status of a rule.

18.3 All participants are required to make themselves aware of all protocols regarding COVID-19 set forth by the Italian Government, Healthcare Authorities, Sports Authorities and/or the OA and must comply with those prescriptions at all times during the event (DP).

18.4 Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an even official or OA. Failure to comply may be misconduct (DP).

18.5 The OA may postpone or cancel the event at any time if it considers that this is required by reasons related to COVID-19. Competitors are not entitled to claim any compensation for any expenses they have incurred for their participation or preparation for participation in the event.



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