



ROYAL MALTA YACHT CLUB



**INTERNATIONAL YACHT
PAINT
DOUBLE HANDED
ROUND MALTA RACE
2010**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The International Yacht Paint Double Handed Round Malta Race 2010 is organised by the Royal Malta Yacht Club and will be governed by the Notice of Race, by these sailing instructions and except as may be changed by these sailing instructions, by the following rules:
 - 1.1.1 ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), 2009-2012,
 - 1.1.2 IRC Rules and Regulations 2010.
 - 1.1.3 ISAF Special Offshore Regulations (2010-2011) for Category 4.
 - 1.1.4 Between the hours of sunset and sunrise the International Rules for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall prevail over the ISAF RRS.
- 1.2 Boats may display advertising as allowed by their classes according to ISAF Regulation 20. Boats may be required to display event advertising provided by the Organising Authority as provided for by ISAF Regulation 20.4.1.1.

2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats shall be entered by completing registration with the RMYC.
- 2.2 Boats shall be sailed by only two people on board.
- 2.3 The skipper of each participating boat must be a member of the RMYC.
- 2.4 Participating boats must have a current and valid IRC certificate and have a SSS rating of not less than 10. No alteration to a boat's TCC will be permitted within one week of the start of a race or series of races except as a result of a rating protest, to correct an error in a certificate or at the discretion of the racing committee, to include a genuine amendment which does not seek to gain unfair advantage contrary to the spirit of the IRC rule.
- 2.5 In this race the use of autopilots and power winches is allowed. This changes ISAF RRS 52.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Royal Malta Yacht Club.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 The time limit for the race shall be 23:30hrs. If one boat finishes within the time limit, then the time limit shall be extended to 02:00hrs. This changes ISAF RRS 35.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 Races will be scored using the IRC handicap rule and the Low Point scoring system of ISAF RRS Appendix A, will apply.

15 PENALTIES

- 15.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under ISAF RRS 31.2 or under ISAF RRS 44.1 for breaking a Rule of Part 2 shall inform the Race Committee before the end of protest time.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Boats intending to Protest are to advise the Race Committee immediately after finishing. Protest forms will be made available. Those in need of Protest Forms should contact the Race Committee. Protests and Requests for Redress shall be lodged before the Protest Time Limit.
- 16.2 The protest time will end 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the race. The same time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee or Jury and to Requests for Redress. This changes ISAF RRS 61.3 & 62.2.

17 COMMUNICATIONS

- 17.1 All boats are to call Spinnaker on VHF Ch. 72 or mobile phone 9925 4713 when 5 miles from the finish and again when approaching the finish line.
- 17.2 A boat that has retired from the race shall report to Spinnaker on VHF Ch.72 or mobile phone 9925 4713, giving its position at the point of retirement and its intentions thereafter.

18 DISCLAIMER

- 18.1 All competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. Attention is drawn to ISAF RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising Authority will not accept any liability for any loss, personal or material damage, injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the race. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including adequate insurance cover shall be the sole responsibility of the owner and or the person in charge who must ensure that the boat and crew are adequate to face the conditions that may arise in the duration of the race. Neither these sailing instructions nor any inspection of the boat limits or reduces the absolute responsibility of the owner/person in charge for the crew, the boat and her management.