



DUBOIS CUP 2009

6th - 8th JUNE 2009

NOTICE OF RACE

ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The regatta is organised by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS)
in collaboration with Dubois Naval Architects

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1. THE 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. red parachute flares are not required (amends OSR 4.23)
 - ii. jackstays are not required (amends OSR 4.04)
 - (c) The IRC Rules 2009 Parts 1, 2 and 4 shall apply. For the purposes of IRC rules 26.1.5(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;
 - (d) Notwithstanding anything in the above rules to the contrary, power assisted winches, canting keels, trim tabs and water ballast are permitted.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply except Part 6 of prescriptions of the FIV, which will apply only to Italian nationals.
A copy of that prescription is in Appendix A.
- 1.3 Racing rule(s) changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.
- 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, Advertising Code, and as detailed in the Sailing Instructions. The Dubois Cup 2009 is an Invitational Event.
- 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:
 - Sponsor's pennant on the backstay
 - 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, decal and flag at registration.
- 2.5 The Organising 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 in 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. ENTRIES

- 3.1 The Regatta is open to superyachts designed by Dubois Naval Architects with minimum LOA 24 metres (78.5 feet).
- 3.2 Entries shall be made on the Entry Form attached and also available on the YCCS web site (www.yccs.it) and shall be received, completed in full, by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda not later than April 15th 2009, accompanied by a non-refundable entry fee of 2,500 Euro per yacht.
Each entry shall also be accompanied by one copy of the current rating certificate. If a boat elects to reconfigure the sail plan or change any other measurement values requiring a new rating certificate, the new certificate shall be received by the O.A. by 1400 hours on 6th June 2009.
- 3.3 In the absolute discretion of the Organizing Authority, late entries may be accepted after 15th April, but the cost of moorings is not included for late entries and the Organizing Authority cannot guarantee that moorings will be available.
- 3.4 The entry fee can be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer as stated in detail in the entry form. Superyachts shall confirm their entry to Dubois Naval Architects at duboiscup@duboisyachts.com

4. MEASUREMENT

- 4.1. Boats shall be available for inspection not later than 1000 hours on the 6th June. For boats already in Porto Cervo, inspections may be carried out on 5th June.
- 4.2 Boats may be inspected and/or check measured at any reasonable time before or during the regatta.
- 4.3 Boats shall only be measured by measurers previously approved by the Organizing Authority.
- 4.4 Sail dimensions shall be either by direct measurement or by sail declaration from the sail maker as the Race Committee in its absolute discretion shall decide.
- 4.5 Hull and rig dimensions shall be either by direct measurement or by declaration from the designer or the builder as the Race Committee in its absolute discretion shall decide.
- 4.6 Noting the relatively large size and weight of the boats, weighing of boats, while desirable, will not always be possible. For any boat that has not been weighed, weight will therefore be verified by such method as the Race Committee shall in its absolute discretion decide.

5. RATING & MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATES

- 5.1 IRC certificates may be issued by either the RORC Rating Office (info@rorcrating.com) or the UNCL Centre de Calcul (irc@uncl.com)
- 5.2 A list of the TCFs of the boats will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible after 18.00 hours on the 6th June. The Protest Time Limit for Rating Protests for boats, except relating to changes made during the regatta, will expire two hours after the TCFs are posted

6. REGISTRATION

At registration the following documents will be required:

- a. Current rating certificate unless already produced;
- b. Acceptance of the Notice of Race as set out in the Entry Form;
- c. Disclaimer of liability as set out in the Entry Form
- d. Photography - TV rights consent as set out in the Entry Form.

7. REGATTA SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Competitors shall register at Regatta Headquarters at YCCS Clubhouse. The office will be open for registration from 1000 to 1800 on Saturday 6th June.
- 7.2 The following schedule is intended. Any resultant alteration to the schedule will be promulgated in accordance with the Sailing Instructions.

Saturday 6, June	Registration at Regatta Headquarters	1000 –1800
Sunday 7, June	Skippers Briefing Race	1030 Warning signal at 1300
Monday 8, June	Race	Warning signal at 1200

- 7.3 The Committee reserves the right to amend the rally schedule.
- 7.4 The full programme of events and sailing instructions will be available at Registration.

8. SCORING SYSTEM

- 8.1 The Low Point System RRS Appendix A shall apply. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 The Sailing Instructions will be issued by email to entrants on Friday 1st June and will be included in Skippers' packs available at Registration.

10. BERTHING

- 10.1 Berthing will be available in Porto Cervo from 0900 Saturday 6th June to 1000 Tuesday 9th June 2009. Berthing either side of this period will be the responsibility of individual superyachts. To reserve moorings for tenders please apply directly to the Marina Office: Tel.+39/0789/905111 – Fax +39078991153 email info@marinadiportocervo.com Early booking is recommended.
- 10.2 Local regulations require that all boats MUST inform the Harbourmaster's Office by radio on VHF Channel 9 when they first arrive in Porto Cervo and each time they leave or enter the Harbour.
- 10.3 Dubois and YCCS will, if requested, be pleased to help with mooring arrangements.

The berthing plan will be issued by email to entrants on Friday 1st June.

11. RACING AREA AND COURSES

11.1 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

Courses will be coastal courses.

12. PENALTIES

12.1 RRS 44 and 31.2 will not apply. A superyacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 of the RRS or RRS 31.1 while underway may take a time penalty of 2% of her elapsed time, unless she gained a significant advantage in the rally or caused serious damage to another superyacht, in which case she shall retire.

12.2 When in the same incident a superyacht has broken both a rule of Part 2 and touched a mark, she need take one penalty only.

12.3 A superyacht that intends to take a time penalty under NoR 12.1 shall:
(a) display a yellow flag at the first reasonable opportunity after the incident and keep this flag displayed until 5 minutes after finishing.
(b) report her acknowledgement in person at Regatta Headquarters and identify the superyacht infringed against (or mark touched) to the Regatta Committee within two hours of finishing.

13. INTERNATIONAL JURY

13.1 Protests will be heard by an International Jury whose ruling shall be final.

14. IDENTIFICATION

14.1 Numbered identification panels, which will be supplied by the organizing authority, shall be displayed in the port and starboard lifelines at all times.

15. ELECTRONIC AIDS AND RADIO FREQUENCIES.

15.1 All types of electronic aids, including radar, VOR, satellite etc, are permitted. No external aids, outside assistance or information may be used, excepting weather forecast information.

15.2 Superyachts shall be equipped with standard marine VHF Channels.

16. AMENDMENTS TO THIS NOTICE

16.1 The Organising Authority may amend this Notice in accordance with RRS 88.2(a). Any amendments to this notice will be emailed to all Owners whose entries have been accepted. Amendments will also be posted on the official website. Amendments to this Notice after 4 June 2009 will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Regatta Headquarters, on the official website and copies will be available at Regatta Headquarters.

17. TROPHIES AND AWARDS

17.1 The Dubois Cup will be awarded to the overall winner. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

18. 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.

19. 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 Dubois Naval Architects, the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and all persons or sponsors 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 Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Dubois Naval Architects, 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.

20. 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.

21. SOCIAL EVENTS

The preliminary social programme for the event is as follows:

6 th June	Welcome Cocktail	YCCS Clubhouse
7 th June	Owners & Guests Dinner	YCCS Clubhouse
8 th June	Final Prize-giving Party	YCCS Clubhouse

22. PRESS OFFICE

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

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda - Press Office

07021 Porto Cervo (SS), Italy

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23. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please check the event web site www.theduboisocup.com or www.yccs.it alternatively contact Alexis Naylor at Dubois:

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**APPENDIX A
FIV PRESCRIPTION**

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

The Italian Sailing Federation (FIV) 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.