



## 28<sup>th</sup> MARMARIS INTERNATIONAL RACE WEEK (28th MIRW) 28<sup>th</sup> October-03<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. ORGANISING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The organizing authority of this event is Marmaris International Yacht Club (MIYC)
- 1.2. Race Office will be placed at Marmaris International Yacht Club;
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#### 2. RULES

- 2.1. The "Rules" as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) of the World Sailing 2017-2020
- 2.2. The World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations 2016 – 2017. Category of the races is 4.
- 2.3. The World Sailing Regulation 20 (Advertising Code).
- 2.4. IRC Rules 2017, Parts A, B, C.
- 2.5. The International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) will prevail over the RRS from sunset to sunrise. The sunrise time 0730 (local) hrs. and sunset time is 1810 (local) hrs. for the Race Week
- 2.6. No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 2.7. The official language of the event will be English.
- 2.8. If there is a conflict between the rules above, the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions and its amendments will be valid according to their date. This changes RRS 63.7.

#### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in front of the Race Office. All these notices will be an official announcement to competitors.
- 3.2. It is the competitors' own responsibility to check the official Notice Board regularly. Failure of displaying the code flag "L" shall not be grounds for a request for redress.

#### 4. VHF RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 4.1. It is mandatory to have a VHF marine radio and to keep it open during the races.
- 4.2. All yachts should listen to;
  - 4.2.(a) FOR RACE 1 TO 6 VHF **Channel 71 for Fleet 1,**
  - 4.2.(b) FOR RACE 1 TO 6 VHF **Channel 11 for Fleet 2,**
  - 4.2.(c) FOR RACE 7 & 8 VHF Channel 71 for **both fleets,**
  - 4.2.(d) And VHF Channel 16 for all yachts,
  - 4.2.(e) Except in an emergency, a yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. **[DP]**

#### 5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official Notice Board at least two hours before the first scheduled warning signal of the day and will not be delivered to each yacht individually (RRS 25.1 modified). Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 (local) hrs. on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.2. Verbal changes may be given only on the water. The Race Committee will make the necessary changes before the warning signals and will announce these changes by **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11 (RRS 90.2c)**. Failure to hear these changes shall not be grounds for a request for redress.

#### 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1. The Race Committee Vessel, only when she is in the marina, will make the signals, otherwise there will be no signals made ashore. The berthing place of the Committee Vessel will be posted later.
- 6.2. If flag AP is displayed when the Committee Vessel is lying in the marina, the warning signal of the first division (s) will not be made less than 30 minutes after the AP is removed.

#### 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 7.1. The races schedule and the class(es)/division(s) warning signal times are **as shown in the attachment #1.**

- 7.2. On the last day of the regatta, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017, no warning signal for the first class(es)/division(s) will be made after 1400 (local) hrs. except after a general recall of a class of which first warning signal had been given before 1400 (local) hrs. If the warning signal of the first class(es)/division(s) has been made before 1400 (local) hrs the warning signal of the other class(es) may be made after 1400 (local) hrs.
- 7.3. The Race Committee will decide whether Race #8 will be sailed or not, depending on the finishing time of Race #7. The decision will be posted on the notice board latest by 0830 (local) hrs. on the 03<sup>rd</sup> November 2017. If the Race #8 will not be sailed this shall not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 7.4. There will be only one skippers briefing for all races in Netsel Marina on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> October 2017, 1700 (local) hrs.

## 8. CLASSES AND HANDICAP SYSTEM

- 8.1. The yachts entered for the regatta will race in “IRC”, “IRC CHARTER PERFORMANCE” and “IRC CHARTER CRUISER” classes. Each class will be sub-divided by the Organizing Committee **as shown in the attachment #2**;
- 8.2. Time On Time [(TOT), CT = ET x TCC] will be applied. [CT= Corrected time; ET= Elapsed time; TCC=Time correction constant (IRC Rating)]

## 9. DIVISION PENNANTS / WARNING FLAGS

- 9.1. All competing yachts will be identified by the color of their division pennant / warning flags, **as shown in the attachment #2**; division pennant must be flown on the backstay. If there is no backstay on the yacht, division pennant will be displayed on the appropriate and the best visible place at the backside of the yacht.
- 9.2. All competing yachts must display on both side of the hull the allocated numbers and stickers throughout the event.
- 9.3. The Sponsor flags shall be hoisted to spreaders or shrouds and stickers shall be placed on both sides of the hull. The locations of the flags/pennant and hull numbers are **shown in the Route Charts Booklet**.
- 9.4. The International Jury may penalize yachts that don't carry their numbers, pennants, stickers, and sponsor flags. The penalty for infringing this rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the International Jury. **[DP]**
- 9.5. With the exception of the division pennant and a protest flag (when necessary), no other flags (including national flag) shall be flown on the backstay during any race. Penalty for this infringement may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the IJ. **[DP]**
- 9.6. It is not mandatory to have national letters and numbers on the sails. This modifies RRS 77.

## 10. COURSES

- 10.1. The courses, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side, on which each mark is to be left, are as shown on the course charts.
- 10.2. Marks and RC vessel(s) and their locations for the races and the courses will be approximately as shown on course charts.
- 10.3. For all races, Race Committee will be displayed appropriate course code flag on the Committee Vessel, before the warning signal and announce the course of the day via **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11**. Failure to receive the announcement shall not be grounds for redress.
- 10.4. All participating Yachts shall sail clear of obstructions and shallow water areas.
- 10.5. The change of the courses, starting or finishing lines is at the discretion of the Race Committee. This is not being ground for a request for redress.

## 11. MARKS

- 11.1. Inflatable yellow and/or orange buoys will be used. Presence or not have the numbers and shapes/colors of the marks shall not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 11.2. The marks will be illuminated with white or red flashlights after the sunset.

## 12. THE START

- 12.1. Races will be started by using RRS 26;
  - 12.1.(a) **FOR RACE 1 to 6** : with the warning signal made **FIVE (5 – 4 – 1 - Start) minutes** before the starting signal,
  - 12.1.(b) **FOR RACE 1 to 6** : the divisions will be started at **FIVE (5) minute** intervals and so the starting signal for each division shall be the warning signal for the next division.
  - 12.1.(c) **FOR RACE 7 & 8** : with the warning signal made **TEN (10 – 5 – 1 - Start) minutes** before the starting signal.
  - 12.1.(d) **FOR RACE 7 & 8** : the divisions will be started at **TEN (10) minute** intervals and so the starting signal for each division shall be the warning signal for the next division. (RRS 26 modified)
- 12.2. The sequence of the starts for all races will be;
  - 12.2.(a) **FOR RACE 1 to 6** : **as shown in the attachment #3**,
  - 12.2.(b) **FOR RACE 7 & 8** : **as shown in the attachment #4**,
- 12.3. The starting line will be between a pole displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Vessel and a buoy.
- 12.4. Position of the RC vessel & buoy will be as shown on the route charts.
- 12.5. All yachts shall keep at least 100 m away from the starting line until their warning signal. Gross violation may be subject to protest by the Race Committee. The penalty for infringing this rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the IJ. **[DP]**
- 12.6. All yachts shall sail close to the Race Committee Vessel for their division number/ hull (sticker) numbers to be recorded.

12.7. A yacht does not start within fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored **Did Not Start** (DNS) without hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

### **13. RECALLS**

13.1. **Individual Recall:** When at a yacht's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or she must comply with RRS 30.1, the race committee will promptly display "flag X" with one sound (RRS 29.1).

13.2. After signalling an individual recall, the race committee will attempt to broadcast the sail number, bow number or name of yacht that has not started and is identified as OCS on **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11**. The failure or delay to broadcast shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13.3. **General Recall:** When at the starting signal the race committee is unable to identify yachts that are on the course side of the starting line or to which RRS 30 applies, or there has been an error in the starting procedures, the race committee may signal a general recall by displaying the "First Substitute" flag with two sounds (RRS 29.2.). This will also be announced on **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11**.

13.4. The "First Substitute" flag will be removed as follows:

13.4.(a) when the recall concerns the divisions scheduled to start in the first or second start - at the time of the preparatory signal for the following start (RRS 29.2 modified);

13.4.(b) when the recall concerns the divisions scheduled to start in the third start - a few minutes after it is displayed. The starting procedure for a recalled start will begin after all scheduled starting procedures (and those of earlier recalled starts, if any).

13.5. The warning signal for the renewed starting procedure will be displayed as follows:

13.5.(a) when the recalled divisions were scheduled to start in the first or second start - at the time of the preceding starting signal,

13.5.(b) when the recall concerns the divisions scheduled to start in the third start - one minute after the removal of the "First Substitute" flag.

13.6. Receiving or not the Race Committee announcements via radio shall not be grounds for a request for redress.

### **14. SHORTENING OR ABANDONING AFTER THE START**

14.1. After the starting signal, the race committee may shorten the course by displaying code flag "S" with two sounds together with division flag identifying the division (RRS 32). In case of shortening the course for all divisions, division flags will not be displayed.

14.2. Shortening the course or abandoning the race shall not be grounds for a request for redress.

### **15. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

15.1. The RC may change a leg of the course that begins at a rounding mark or at the gate by changing the position of the next mark (or the finishing line) and signaling all yachts before they begin the leg. RRS 33

15.2. To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

### **16. THE FINISH**

16.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Vessel and a buoy.

16.2. Position of the buoy and committee vessel will be as shown on the course charts.

16.3. If the race committee signals a shorten course, the finishing line will be at a mark, between the mark and a staff displaying code flag "S" on a race committee vessel.

16.4. Code flag "F" flown from the mast of the RC vessel means second race will be made as soon as practicable after the first race of the day.

16.5. After finishing, the yachts shall clear the finishing line and keep away of it. The penalty for infringing this rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the IJ. **[DP]**

16.6. After sunset, the Yachts approaching the finishing line shall identify themselves to the Race Committee.

### **17. PENALTY SYSTEM**

17.1. A yacht may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken RRS31 while racing or

17.2. A yacht may take a Two-Turns Penalty when she may have broken RRS Part 2 while racing,

17.3. After getting well clear of other yachts as soon after the incident as possible, a yacht takes a One-Turn or Two-Turn Penalty by promptly making the required number of turns in the same direction, each turn including one tack and one gybe (RRS 44.1 and 44.2).

### **18. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

18.1. Yachts retiring for any reason in any race shall report to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

18.2. Before the moment in, which the preparatory signal is given, the yachts must have their engines stopped

18.3. Any use of the engine for propulsion purposes for rescuing people, giving help or any other reason shall be reported after arrival in written form to the Race Committee stating reasons for such procedure. If a yacht does not gain a significant advantage in the race, the IJ may impose a penalty different from DSQ or not impose a penalty at its discretion **[DP]**

- 18.4. The International Jury reserves the right to either disqualify a yacht or impose a discretionary penalty (DP) on Elapsed Time in case of a breach of a rule. After a hearing, a yacht may be disqualified, if the International Jury decided that the yacht caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race by her breach even she performed a Two-Turns or One-Turn penalty. **[DP]**
- 18.5. A Yacht or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with related rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water or after arriving in marina, a yacht may be instructed by the measurer including VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11 to proceed immediately for inspection.
- 18.6. In condition of a wind of more than 30 knots speed or a risk on life and property safety, the Race Committee may not start the race or may shorten or abandon the race. This shall not be ground for a request for redress.
- 18.7. All yachts shall carry appropriate anchor and chain/rope during the races. However, the anchors shall not be carried on the stem head but shall be stowed inside the chain locker or in a proper place on board between the first warning signal and the finish. The penalty for infringing this rule is a ground for disqualification (DSQ) by the International Jury.

## 19. TIME LIMITS

- 19.1. **For Inshore Races: as shown in the Course Charts Booklet (Inshore Courses)**
- 19.2. **For Offshore Race: as shown in the Course Charts Booklet (Coastal Courses)**
- 19.3. When no yacht finishes within the time limit, the race will be abandoned for this or these division(s) (RRS 35).
- 19.4. Yachts, which have not finished within time limit (**indicated SI 22.1&22.2**) will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 19.5. When race committee is convinced that no yacht will finish within the time limit for their divisions, the Race Committee reserves the right to extend the time limits before their expiration time; All competing Yachts will be informed by the Race Committee via **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11**. This shall not be ground for a request for redress.
- 19.6. According to unexpected weather conditions, a yacht's passing time from "Baba Adası Gate", may be used as finishing time for race#7 (**ONLY FOR COASTAL COURSE A**), unless any yacht on the same division has passed the "Finishing Line" within the time limit of this race (**indicated SI22.2**)

## 20. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 20.1. A yacht intending to protest shall inform the other yacht/s at the first reasonable opportunity (as soon as possible) as follows:
- 20.1.(a) When the protest concerns an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees, she shall:
- 20.2. hail " PROTEST";
- 20.3. Conspicuously display a protest (red) flag on the backstay. If there is no back stay on the yacht, protest flag will be displayed at the starboard shrouds under the lowest spreader. She shall display the flag until she is no longer racing, observing also the provision of below;
- 20.4. After finishing inform the Race Committee on the finishing line by **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11** and keep the protest flag hoisted until receiving confirmation from the Race Committee (RRS 61.1 modified). It is not necessary to inform the Race Committee at the time of the incident of the intention to protest.
- 20.4.(a) When protesting for any other reason, she shall inform the other yacht/s immediately after coming ashore.
- 20.5. A Yacht that intends to protest but couldn't continue and finish the race, or retires must inform the race committee finishing yacht by **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11** as soon as possible (RRS 61.1(a) modified).
- 20.6. Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and Requests of Redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 20.7. For Inshore Races: The protest time limit is thirty (30) minutes after the Race Committee Vessel has arrived at the Marina. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 20.8. For **Coastal Course (Race#7)** : the protest time limit will be 1300 (local) hrs on the Friday, 03<sup>rd</sup> November 2017.
- 20.9. Notices will be posted within fifteen (15) minutes after the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witness. Protest hearings will be held in the Race Office. Notices of protests by the race committee or International Jury will be posted within the protest time limit to inform yachts under RRS 61.1(b).
- 20.10. Breaches of sailing instructions article **9, 11, 22, 26, and 27** shall not be grounds for a protest by a yacht. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 20.11. A party to the hearing may ask for a reopening latest in one hour after being informed of the decision. On the last day of the racing, the reopening time limit is no later than 15 minutes after being informed of the decision (RRS 66 modified).
- 20.12. The fee for protest and request for redress will be **250 € (except RC and/or IJ protests)** which will be returned if the protest is upheld or redress is granted or the International Jury allows the protest to be withdrawn.
- 20.13. **Measurement Protests;** Both parties shall pay all expenses, related to hauling out of the yacht to be measured, marina dry dock expenses and all expenses related to measurement cost, such as measurer fees, lifting and/or renewed certificate fees in advance. The successful party will be paid back.

20.14. All protest shall be written in English. Parties to hearings; who the not speaking English shall bring their own interpreters. The responsibility for correctness of translation is their own.

## **21. SCORING, NUMBER OF RACES AND PRIZES**

### **21.1. Ranking**

21.1.(a) In all races, the ranking of a yacht will be derived from her corrected time (ascending) after the penalties (if any) are applied.

21.1.(b) Each division will have a separate scoring.

21.1.(c) Scoring will be based on the number of accepted entries.

21.2. **Scoring** See NOR article 13.1

21.3. **Number of races:** See NOR article 13.2

21.4. **Prizes:** See NOR article 17

## **22. DECLARATIONS**

22.1. Yachts retiring for any reason in any race shall report to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

22.2. Yachts that made One-Turn Penalty or Two-Turns Penalty, or retired from the race, shall sign an appropriate declaration at the Race Office within the protest time limit. Failure to declare this will mean that the yacht did not take the penalty.

22.3. Yachts which received outside help and/or run engine because of an emergency situation, run engine in order to charge their batteries, shall declare that in writing at the Race Office within the protest time limit stating the circumstances. During battery charging the shafts and propellers shall not turn.

## **23. CREW LIMITATION**

23.1. There is no upper crew limitation for any division but a minimum crew number of three (3) are mandatory unless approved otherwise by the Race Committee.

23.2. In case of any changes on the crew lists, Race Committee shall be informed in writing at least one hour before the warning time scheduled. Having a non-registered crewmember on board is a ground for disqualification (DSQ) by the International Jury.

23.3. The yacht owner or skipper, declared in the Entry form, cannot race on another yacht. If this happens, this is a ground for disqualification (DSQ) for both yachts (owned and raced with) by the International Jury.

## **24. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

24.1. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity in writing.

24.2. No participating yacht is allowed to have more than two main sails only to be substituted in case the first one is damaged during the race. In this case, the yacht is required to inform the Race committee through the **VHF Ch.71 and/or Ch.11** and to make a written statement as soon as they reach the shore & show their damaged main sail to the Race committee. The penalty for infringing this rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the International Jury. **[DP]**

24.3. The yachts, which have furling headsail credit in their rating certificate, shall not use any other headsail (except storm and heavy weather jib).

24.4. Yachts shall not use any pole (spinnaker, whisker or any other kind) if not declared to UNCL/RORC

## **25. MEASUREMENT & CONTROL**

25.1. A team provided by MIYC will carry out the measurements if needed.

25.2. The yachts may be inspected before or after any race even without a protest.

25.3. The owner of the yacht is responsible for keeping his yacht in the condition in which she was measured. Whether protested or not, if during the control of a yacht, the TCC value is found to be higher than the value in the certificate by more than allowed by the rules, The penalty for infringing this rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the International Jury. **[DP]**

## **26. RACE COMMITTEE VESSELS**

26.1. The Committee Vessel and other official yachts will fly the RC flag. Absence of the RC flags shall not be grounds for a request for redress

26.2. Vessels used by press, photographers, film crews, VIPs etc. are not under the jurisdiction of the RC. Any action by these vessels shall not be grounds for request for redress by competitors. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

26.3. The Race Committee Vessel may use the engine to keep its location at the starting and finishing lines because of the weather condition and technical reasons. This will not be ground for a request for redress.

## **27. TRASH DISPOSAL**

27.1. Yachts shall not put trash in the water. Breach of SI 27 will result in protest by Race Committee or its designated representative and the penalty for infringing this rule may be less than DSQ at the discretion of the International Jury.

**[DP]**

## **28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

28.1. The Sailing races can be dangerous. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. **RRS 4 Decision to Race** - "The responsibility for yacht's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

- 28.2. Marmaris International Yacht Club, the Organizer of these races, its representatives, Sponsors, Race Committee and International Jury are not responsible for any loss, damage, death or personal injury, taking place directly or indirectly as a result of the races. In particular, the owners of the yacht and his/her crew should accept the following responsibilities:
- 28.3. The responsibility of their team (insurance included), the seaworthiness of the yachts, the responsibility of the safe navigation, decision to start the race and to continue the race.
- 28.4. The race will be governed by the rules listed in **Sailing Instruction article #2**. By participating in a race conducted under these rules, each competitor and yacht owner agrees to be governed by the rules, to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the rules, subject to the appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the rules and with respect to such determination, not to resort to any court or other tribunal not provided by the rules.
- 28.5. According to this responsibility, owners or captains should warn their team before the start of the race.
- 28.6. They should declare that they accept all these responsibilities on their entry form. Each yacht will accept above responsibilities upon signing of the entry form.

## **RACE COMMITTEE**

**28<sup>th</sup> October 2017 : 1200**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. ROUTE CHARTS BOOKLET
2. REGATTA PROGRAMME
3. DIVISION PENNANTS /WARNING FLAGS
4. THE SEQUENCE OF THE STARTS – (RACE #1 TO RACE #6)
5. THE SEQUENCE OF THE STARTS – (RACE #7 AND RACE #8)